



St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

4th Sunday of Easter

Sunday 26th April 2026

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8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: All Age Communion with choir

4pm: Ignite Junior in church rooms

5pm: Ignite in church rooms

Tuesday 28th April

12noon: Holy Communion

Wednesday 29th April

9.30am: Toddler Praise in Church Rooms

Thursday 30th April

10am: Time for Prayer – Guided prayer and calm music

8pm: Baptism and Confirmation Preparation Group

Friday 1st May

9.30am: Little Nic's Baby and Toddler group – in church rooms

Saturday 2nd May

11am: Baptism and Confirmation Preparation Group

Sunday 3rd May – 5th Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Worship

6pm: Choral Communion

Gluten-free wafers are available for all communion services. Please ask one of the welcome team who will be happy to help you with this or with any other questions you may have.

COLLECT:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

or

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

FIRST READING: Acts 2.42-end

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

GOSPEL READING: John 10.1-10

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did

not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The church of Nigeria
- In the Diocese – For all school chaplains and especially for Jacob who serves at Cranleigh School
- In the Parish – For our Trackers group, their leaders and Claire Jones our part-time young people and families worker

National and World Affairs:

- For those living in constant fear in places of conflict

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Cameron Close and Brookside
- For the housebound in our community

The Sick and those in Need:

- Judy Borcik, Hazel Cherry, Claire Currie, Val Davies, Edward, Diana Fowler, Bryn Jones, Pamela Lempriere, Nigel Lynn, Roger Pilling, Jean Quallington, Ray, Colin Tilbury, Val.
- *(And for those with long-term prayer needs):* Atticus and his parents Clare and Alex, Neil Charman, Annie Cotterill, David, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Helen Allen, Jane, Kirsty, Lottie Lack, Jack Lewis, Mo, Brian & Jill Pettyfer, Ron & Lillian Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed, Val

Thorogood, Nick Vrijland, Marilyn Wood, Judy Wedderspoon, Muriel Young

The Departed:

All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, especially at this time Bruce Whitelaw.

WEEKLY NOTICES:

HOME GROUP You are invited to be part of a new church home group that Mike (mike@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) is starting following the Lent course. Please do email him or fill in your details on the sign-up sheet (at the cross aisle) showing possible options as to day and time. You will be contacted. 1 hour per session

If we are truly to grow our own faith, by growing our small group activity, we will all benefit by sharing simply with others.

CHILDREN AND COMMUNION PREPARATION SESSION It's very exciting that various children have recently been asking if they are allowed to join in Holy Communion! And the answer is, let's talk more, but yes they can! Children who have been baptised but are too young for confirmation can already join in for communion after having done some preparation. Please do contact Erik (erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) if your child(ren) is/are interested, and he will have a session with you talking about faith, Holy Communion and what it means.

ROY'S ORGAN RECITAL Roy is playing a recital at St Martin's, Dorking on Saturday 2nd May at 12noon

SUNDAY 10 MAY, "CAKES 4 CASH" in aid of Christian Aid, after 10am service. Cakes of all sorts will be gratefully received, in the Church Rooms on the morning after 8am service. Thank you!
contact Barbara Pearson 273724.

GOLF FUN DAY See poster on p7 for details. If anyone would like to join but does not have kit, Peter Hancock has 2 spare sets of clubs and 1 spare trolley he is happy to lend! Please contact Alan to confirm.

RECYCLING Many thanks to all who are making increasing use of the blister pack and stamp recycling boxes. These have now been joined by a box for used or unused printer cartridges, which we can send away for a cash payment to church funds.

More information about all these to come in June's magazine

SAVE THE DATE! Our annual Rectory Fete will be on July 11th. We do need a volunteer to organise and run the raffle, as well as someone to man the church stall. If this is something you feel you could take on please contact Richard Tuck (richard@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk).

Do you have any new ideas of a stall you would like to run? If so, we would welcome your suggestions. Those able to help with the lifting and shifting for the setup on the 10th your help would be very much appreciated in the afternoon.

RUNNER BEANS Would you like me to grow a pot of Runner Bean plants for you to plant in your garden? 10 plants £3, 6 for £2.40. Ready mid to late May. Orders to Win Bracking 275573. I can deliver in Cranleigh. All proceeds to Plant Stall/Rectory Fete. Watch out for sales table at my gate in Kings Road.

CHURCH WHATSAPP GROUP is a great way to stay in touch during the week, keep up-to-date with what is going on, and share prayer requests. If you would like to be added contact Nicola in the office.

CAR PARK EXEMPTION members of the church can have their car registration added to our exemption database so that you can park for free whilst attending on church business. If you haven't already done this, please contact Nicola in the office to add your details.

If you would like to receive this notice sheet by email each week, please contact Nicola in the church office.

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CAKES 4 CASH!

Sunday 10th May

Cake Sale with Coffee
after the 10am service



Cakes please, to the church rooms on the morning, from 9am



GOLF FUN DAY

at Cranleigh School

A 9 Hole Par-3 Course in a Beautiful Setting

SATURDAY, 23rd MAY 2026 | 2:00 PM

Forget The Masters and handicaps...
Join us for a day of golfing fun for all ages and all abilities!

Prizes & Fun!

- Awards for **Best Fancy Dress**
(Pentecost Theme: **Red & Yellow**)
- **Nearest the Pin** challenges
- Plus some **Mystery Hole Challenges!**

Entry Fees:

- Cranleigh School Golf Members
FREE
- Under 16s: £7
- Over 16s: £11



Supporting Christian Aid Week

Voluntary donations for Christian Aid will be gratefully received.

Contact Peter Flint: plflint@btinternet.com | 07724553841

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*With thanks to Cranleigh School Sports &
St Nicolas' Church*

Keep in touch

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Do you have a question about faith or the church? Or would you just like to get to know us better? Erik and Sue are always very happy to meet for a cup of coffee, tea, or a pint, just get in touch with us using our contact details above!



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