



St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

Palm Sunday

Sunday 29th March 2026

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8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am: Blessing of the palms and procession from The Common

10am: All Age Communion with Choir and Music Group

4pm: Ignite Junior Easter Extravaganza

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6.30pm: Service of Words and Music at St James' Shere.

Monday 30th March- Monday of Holy Week

10am: Sewing and Knitting group in church rooms

8pm: Easter Story in the Three Horseshoes Snug Bar

Tuesday 31st March – Tuesday of Holy Week

12noon: Holy Communion

7.30pm: Words and Music for Holy Week

Wednesday 1st April – Wednesday of Holy Week

2pm: Cedar Court Communion

7.30pm: Compline and Address

Thursday 2nd April – Maundy Thursday

12.30pm: Lent Lunch in the church rooms

1.15pm: Washing Feet & Breaking Bread: event for children in the Church Rooms

7.30pm: Maundy Thursday Eucharist and Vigil

Friday 3rd April – Good Friday

9.30am: Morning Prayer

10.30am: Procession to, and service at, Stocklund Square

2pm: At the Foot of the Cross – Good Friday Reflection

Sunday 5th April – Easter Sunday

7.30am: Easter Ceremonies

followed by Hot Cross Buns

10am: Easter Sunday All Age Communion

followed by festive refreshments and Egg Hunt in the churchyard

6pm: Easter Festival Evensong

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 and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

True and humble king, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: grant us the faith to know you and love you, that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross, which is the path of glory.

FIRST READING: Philippians 2.5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 21.1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, “The Lord needs them.” And he will send them immediately.’ This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, ‘Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and

mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The Anglican Church of Melanesia
- For Archbishop Sarah
- In the Diocese – For St Martha's College and all those teaching and training for ministry in the church there
- In the Parish – For all those joining us for Holy Week and Easter

National and World Affairs:

- For the crisis in the Middle East
- For those living in constant fear in places of conflict

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Strudwicks Field and Killicks
- For Happy Child (International).

The Sick and those in Need:

- Judy Borcik, Hazel Cherry, Claire Currie, Val Davies, Edward, Diana Fowler, Rodney Hill, Bryn Jones, Nigel Lynn, Roger Pilling, Jean Quallington, Ray, Colin Tilbury, Val, Muriel Young
- *(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

The Departed:

All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years.

WEEKLY NOTICES:

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
will be held on Wednesday 15th April 2026
at 7.30 p.m. in the Church

All Church Members are invited to attend. Apologies for non-attendance and Any Other Business should be notified in advance to the PCC Secretary, paul@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk; Tel: 548824

STEWARDS FOR WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS We would love to have more people 'trained' to steward at weddings and funerals so that we can start a rota for these services. It is a straightforward job involving setting-up the church, welcoming the congregation, and tidying away at the end. There is a fee paid to the steward for these services! If you could help and would like more information, please contact nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

FIRST AID COURSE will be held on Saturday 18th April in the church rooms. If you would like to attend please email Alan@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk.

TOGETHER BEYOND EASTER - close on forty came to the Gift of Christ Lent Course, either all of the time or some of the time. If you would like to be part of a Church Family home discussion group, a sign up sheet is at the

cross aisle or send an email to nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk or mike@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

RECTORY FETE RE-GIFTING STALL

It's that time of year again and we have agreed to run the re-gifting stall once more, and so we are asking you for donations to fill our stall and make it the success that it was last year.

Items must be new, in their original unopened package, or with labels still attached.

We cannot accept bric-a-brac or second-hand items, so please donate those items to a charity shop.

Please contact Sue or Katherine if you need items collected, or they can be left in the office where will pick them up.

Many thanks, in anticipation

Sue Knight 07950025137

Katherine Tuck 0799920184

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION SERVICE FOR YOUR DIARY We've got a provisional date for a Baptism and Confirmation Service on 31st of May in our regular 10am service, with our very own Bishop Peter leading the service. Erik is intending to get a group for adults going after Easter, please do let him know if you are interested in joining and what your availability would look like. At the moment we're thinking of a Tuesday or Thursday evening or maybe a Saturday morning. If you're not quite sure yet but would like to learn more about the Christian faith, please do join in as well, it's up to you if you want to be baptised/confirmed at the end. Please drop Erik a line (erik@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk or 07368871589) with any questions or to sign up!

APCM - elections to PCC (Parochial Church Council)

Would you like to be more involved in helping to run this church? Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on 15th April, at which elections will take place for 3 new members of the PCC, and up to 6 new members of the Deanery Synod (which also brings automatic membership of the PCC). If you think you might be interested in joining the team, please

pick up a leaflet from the back of church which gives you more information about what's involved.

AUCTION OF PROMISES Saturday 25th April from 7.30pm - an Auction of Promises, with Cheese and Wine.

Come and bid for a range of tempting offers - or make an offer yourself that we can put up for auction in our in-house special event.

Forms are now available for you to volunteer your promises!

MEMORY LANE Team and Dementia Guests are busy every week rehearsing for the *Musical Memories* Concert to be held on the 25th April this year. Tickets are available at just £10 for a two hour performance and includes afternoon tea and cakes.

Tickets for Musical Memories - just call Jan on 07876 528704. For further information on all Memory Lane events please call Memory Lane 01483 274398 or email: mamwild@aol.com.

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.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

at **St
NICOLAS**
CRANLEIGH

SUN 29TH MARCH - PALM SUNDAY

- 8.00am **Holy Communion**
9.30am **Meet at The Common for Blessing of the Palms**
and join the procession through the village with the churches of
Cranleigh, and Denzel the Donkey
10.00am **All Age Communion**

MON 30TH MARCH

- 8.00pm **Easter Story in the Three Horseshoes snug bar**

TUES 31ST MARCH

- 12noon **Holy Communion**
7.30pm **Words and Music for Holy Week**

WED 1ST APRIL

- 7.30pm **Compline and Address sung by the choir of men**

MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 12.30pm **Lent Lunch in church rooms**
1.15pm **Washing Feet & Breaking Bread**
A special event for children and their adults
7.30pm **Choral Communion with Washing of Feet**
followed by quiet vigil

GOOD FRIDAY

(church will be open all day for private prayer)

- 9.30am **Short Sung Morning Prayer**
10.30am **Walk of Witness to Stocklund Square**
10.45am **Ecumenical Service of Witness at Stocklund Square**
2.00pm **An Hour before the Cross.**

EASTER DAY

- 7.30am **Easter Ceremonies and Holy Communion**
8.45am **Hot Cross Buns for all**
10.00am **All Age Communion**
followed by **festive drinks & egg hunt**
6.00pm **Festival Choral Evensong**



ΙΗΣΟΥΣ ΝΑΖΩΙΟΥΣ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΥΣ ΙΟΥΔΑΙΩΝ
IESVS NAZARANVS REX IVDÆORVM

St
NICOLAS
CRANLEIGH

WORDS

AND

MUSIC

FOR HOLY WEEK TO EASTER

*45 MINUTES OF REFLECTIVE MUSIC
AND WORDS FOR HOLY WEEK.
BE WITH HIM ON THIS PART OF THE
JOURNEY TO THE CROSS.*

TUESDAY 31ST MARCH AT 7.30PM

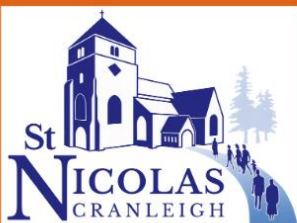
Washing Feet & Breaking Bread

Maundy Thursday for Children

2nd April at 1.15pm in Church Rooms



For primary school aged children and their adults!



You may also like:

7.30pm – Maundy Thursday

Eucharist, washing of feet and Vigil.

All welcome.

EASTER SUNDAY

5th APRIL

7.30AM:

EASTER CEREMONIES &
HOLY COMMUNION

8.45AM

HOT CROSS BUNS FOR ALL!

10AM:

ALL AGE COMMUNION

FOLLOWED BY

FESTIVE DRINKS AND EASTER EGG HUNT

6PM:

FESTIVAL CHORAL
EVENSONG



Auction *of* Promises



with cheese and wine

Saturday 25th April 7.30pm

in St Nicolas Church Rooms

Come prepared to bid for a range of tempting offers!

A list of promises will be available before the event



from members of the social team or the church office

All proceeds from the auction will go to Church Funds



Keep in touch

Rector – (In Vacancy)

Curate - Revd Erik Heemsker (*Day off: Monday*)

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Churchwardens – Susan Clarke susan@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk and **Alan Walton** alan@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

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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!



Your giving helps us to run this church and continue to serve our community. You can join us in supporting this work by giving of your time, skills and money. You can make a donation (one-time or regular) by scanning the QR code. Thank you for your generosity.