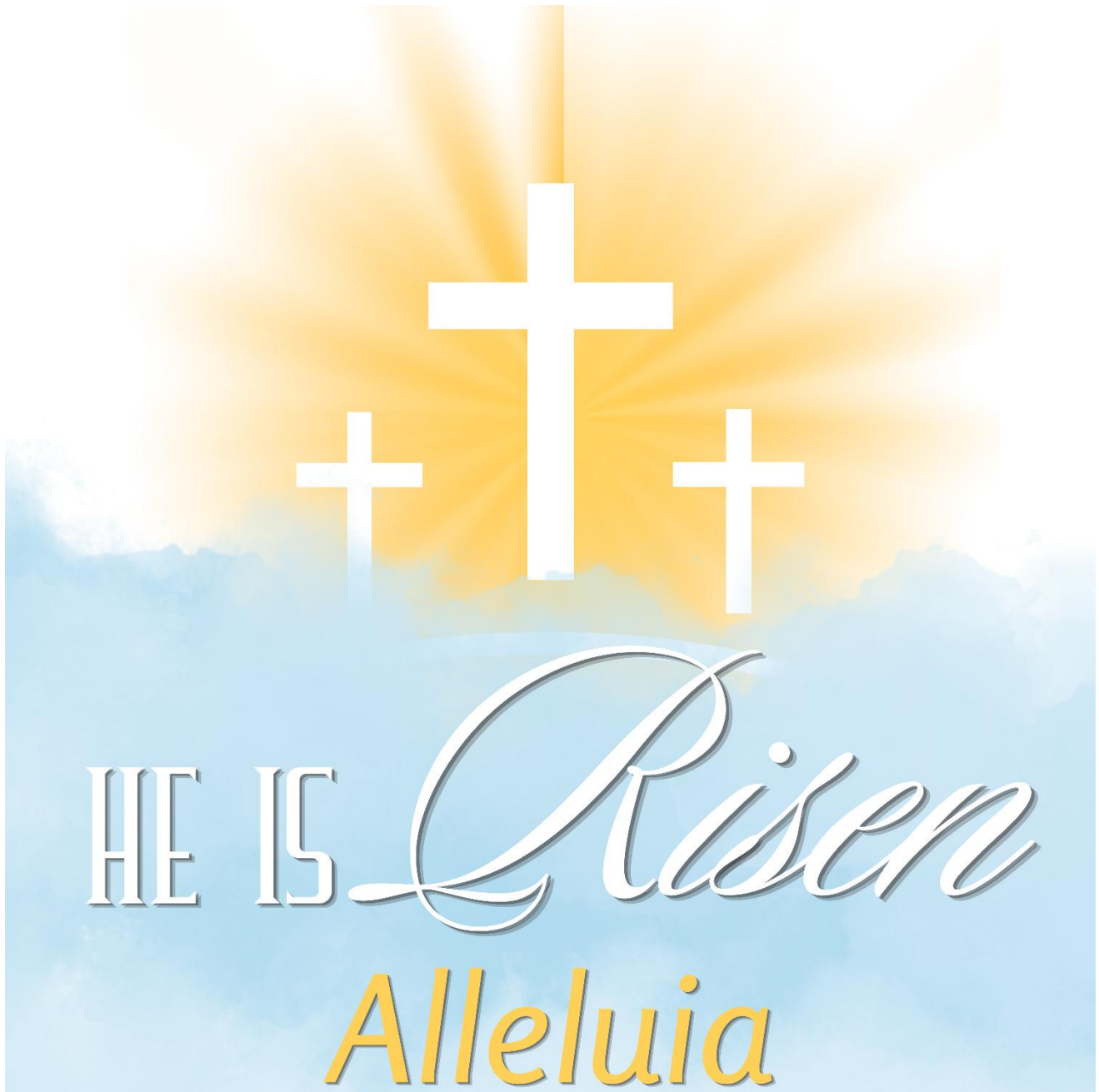




St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

Easter Sunday

Sunday 5th April 2026



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

Tuesday 7th April

10am: Elmbridge Communion

12noon: Holy Communion

Wednesday 8th April

10am: MU Coffee Morning – everyone welcome!

Thursday 9th April

6pm: Wedding rehearsal in church

Saturday 11th April

1pm: Wedding of Jamie Anderson and Ellie Nutter

Sunday 12th April – 2nd Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: All Age Communion with choir

Monday 13th April

10am: Sewing and Knitting Group in Church rooms

Tuesday 14th April

12noon: Holy Communion

6pm: Elmbridge Evensong

Wednesday 15th April

2.30pm: Knowle Park Communion

7.30pm: APCM in church

Thursday 16th April

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

Friday 17th April

9.30am: Little Nic's Baby and Toddler Group

Sunday 19th April – 3rd Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Communion with music group

1pm: Baptism of Lucia Pinnell

6pm: Choral 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: for Easter Sunday

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

or

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

COLLECT: for 12th April

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

or

Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred: open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace, to the praise of God the Father.

READINGS:

Easter Sunday

FIRST READING: Colossians 3.1-4

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28.1-10

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, 'Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him." This is my message for you.' So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, 'Greetings!' And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshipped him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.'

12th April

FIRST READING: Acts 2.14a, 22-32

GOSPEL READING: John 20.19-end

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Easter Sunday: God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12th April: Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The Anglican Church of Mexico / Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola
- In the Diocese – For all the clergy in the Diocese as they lead their churches through this Eastertide.
- In the Parish – For our clergy Erik, Sue, Martin, Rodney and Peter

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 Orchard Gardens and Livingstone Close / Vachery and Baynards
- For the unemployed and job seekers / for the Cranleigh Lions

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, Bruce Whitelaw
- *(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.

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

DID YOU KNOW? it costs approximately £5000 each week to run the church. Have you considered regular giving to the church?

Joining the Parish Giving Scheme is easy

- Sign up online at www.parishgiving.org.uk
- Or call PGS directly on 0333 002 1271 to set up your gift over the phone (you'll just need St Nicolas' unique PGS code, which is 17-1702081).

CHURCH OFFICE is closed for Easter from Thursday 2nd April – Sunday 12th April.

RUNNER BEANS Would you like me to grow a pot of Runner Bean plants for you to plant in your garden? 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.

TOGETHER BEYOND EASTER 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 mike@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

Thank you to Mike, Paul, Alison, Peter and Alan for organizing this year's Lent course.

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

ST ANDREWS CHURCH Grafham will be open on Easter Monday and filled with Easter flowers. 11am - 4pm Refreshments. The churchyard is also pretty with primroses.

RECTORY FETE RE-GIFTING STALL It's that time of year again, 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

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 will be taking their guests on the "Walk In The Park" at 10.30am on Monday 13th and the only meeting in the Arts Centre this month will be at 2pm on Monday 20th April. Other meetings will be for the Concert Planning Group and rehearsals ready for "Musical Moments". This concert with a number of interesting Guest Artists is coming to the Cranleigh Baptist Church on Saturday 25th April.

Further details of Concert Tickets and other Memory Lane activities just telephone 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.

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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