



St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

5th Sunday of Easter

Sunday 3rd May 2026

Sunday 3rd May – 5th Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Worship

6pm: Choral Communion

Tuesday 5th May

10am: Elmbridge Communion

12noon: Holy Communion

Wednesday 6th May

9.30am: Toddler Praise in Church Rooms

2pm: Cedar Court Communion

Thursday 7th May

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

8pm: Baptism and Confirmation Preparation Group

Friday 8th May

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

4pm: Wedding rehearsal

Saturday 9th May

1pm: Wedding of Ollie Oates and Maisie Boast

Sunday 10th May – 6th Sunday of Easter

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: All Age Communion with choir

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.

ANTHEM FOR CHORAL COMMUNION

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life! Such a Way as gives us breath,
Such a Truth as ends all strife, Such a Life as killeth Death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength! Such a Light as shows a Feast,
Such a Feast as mends in length, Such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart! Such a Joy as none can move,
Such a Love as none can part, Such a Heart as joys in love. *George Herbert*

COLLECT:

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

or

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

FIRST READING: Acts 7.55-end

But filled with the Holy Spirit, he gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. 'Look,' he said, 'I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!' But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them.' When he had said this, he died.

GOSPEL READING: John 14.1-14

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I

have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.’

Philip said to him, ‘Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, “Show us the Father”? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The church of North India
- In the Diocese – For our Archdeacons Catharine and Martin
- In the Parish – For our Mother’s Union

National and World Affairs:

- For those living in constant fear in places of conflict

Community and Family:

- For those who live in Village Way and Onslow Mews
- For Cranleigh Parish Council and Citizens Advice Bureau.

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 and Eric Wood.

WEEKLY NOTICES:

URGENT We need someone to run our raffle at the Rectory Fete. This stall brings in around £500 each year so it would be a huge shame not to have it this year. If you can take this on, please contact Richard Tuck (richard@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk). Thank you

DONATE A BOOK Our current copies of **THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER** are becoming rather tired, and we would love to update our collection. There is a sample of the new, larger-print edition at the back of the church for you to view.

Donate a Book: Each book costs £15. If you would like to donate one (or more), we will, if you wish, include a commemorative bookplate inside the cover. This can be marked as "Donated by" or "In memory of" a loved one.

To donate: please email nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk with the number of books you wish to donate and the name(s) for the bookplate.

- Cash: Deliver to the church office.
- BACS: 'Cranleigh PCC' | Sort Code: 30-94-41 | Acc: 01805965

AUCTION OF PROMISES The Auction made an excellent sum of nearly £1700!

A huge thank you to all who helped make this such an enjoyable and successful occasion.

Fancy A Day at the Races?

There was only one unsold lot, which was offered quite late, so didn't make the catalogue that was originally circulated. You might like to bid for a Day at the Races (Goodwood Race Day on August 29th) - securing you two badges for access to the members enclosure, members only bar and restaurant and unreserved seating in the members enclosure overlooking the winning post!

Reserve price of £30. If you would like to bid, please send an email, indicating your upper limit, to susan@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk

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.

FOOT SPA with instruction manual looking for a new home. If you're interested please email annief1234@aol.com

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.

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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NICOLAS
GRANLEIGH

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

ASCENSION DAY

14th May

6pm



**Service at
Wintershall Estate
-
followed by BYO
picnic tea**

please email nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk if you plan to attend, so we can give them an idea of numbers.

17th May

6pm

**Ascension Choral
Evensong at
St Nicolas Church**

**We are pleased to welcome back
Roy Woodhams to play the organ.**



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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