



St Nicolas Church, Cranleigh

3rd Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 16th June 2024

THIS WEEK: Sunday 16th June (3rd Sunday after Trinity)

8am: Holy Communion (BCP)

10am: All Age Holy Communion

6pm: Choral Evensong

Monday 17th June

11.30am: Funeral of Diana Trent

Tuesday 18th June

10am: Elmbridge Communion

10am: Sewing Group in church rooms

12noon: Holy Communion (BCP)

Wednesday 19th June

10am: Toddler Praise (at the Methodist Church)

2.30pm: Knowle Park

2.30pm: Memorial Service for Gladys Mulley

Thursday 20th June

10am-10.30am: Time for Prayer with words and music

12noon: Funeral of Terence Parsons

Friday 21st June

10am: Little Nic's Toddlers in church rooms

Sunday 23rd June (4th Sunday after Trinity)

8am: Holy Communion (CW)

10am: Parish Communion

11.30am: Discovery

CHOIR ANTHEM for Sunday's Choral Evensong

O most merciful, O most bountiful,
God the Father almighty!
By the Redeemer's sweet
intercession,
Hear us, help us when we cry.

O blessed Saviour, Christ our
Redeemer,
Jesu, Son of Mary,
By thy Passion and thine
atonement,
Hear us, help us when we cry.

O Holy Spirit, dwelling within us,
God the blessed Paraclete,
By thine own wisdom and through
our pleading,
Hear us, help us when we cry.

O triune Godhead, Trinity
almighty,
God the glorious Three in One;
By thy mercy heed to our crying.
Hear us, help us when we cry.

Bishop R. Heber (1783-1826) and others

COLLECT:

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; 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)

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

FIRST READING: *2 Corinthians 5.6-10 14-17*

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

GOSPEL READING: *Mark 4.26-34*

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.'

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

WEEKLY PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Church and Christian Ministry:

- In the Anglican cycle of Prayer – The Anglican Church of Chile
- In the Diocese – for the churchwardens in the many vacant parishes across the diocese
- In the Parish – for our Eco-Church initiatives and for Sue Tresman, our Eco-Champion

National and World Affairs:.

- For peace in the world, and especially for the safety of the people of Israel and Palestine and Gaza, Ukraine and Russia and Southern Sudan.
- For our own nation in this time leading to a General Election. We pray for candidates who truly seek to represent the electorate and make a difference to society.
- For the leaders of the nations that they may have wisdom and integrity during these difficult times

Community and Family:

- For those who live in St Nicolas Avenue and St Nicolas Close
- For the students and staff at St Cuthbert Mayne School
- For Gabrielle Clarke as she prepares to be ordained Deacon on Sunday 30th June, and Erik as he prepares to be ordained Priest on Saturday 29th June (both at Guildford Cathedral at 10.30am).

The Sick and those in Need:

- Jane Bloss, Pam Cheeseman, Claire Curry, Roger Dobbing, Anne Dulley, Emily McGowan, David Latimer, Jack Lewis, Louise, Sheelagh and Peter Poole, Val Thorogood, Jeremy Watts
- *(And for those with long-term prayer needs):* Baby Atticus and his parents Clare and Alex, Peggy Davis, Stella Goldsmith, James Goudie, Tricia Hislop, Jane, Kirsty, Lottie Lack, Amy Loveless, Sheila McSorley, Mo, Libby O'Brien, Brian Pettyfer, Ron Reynolds, Peggy Ringshall, Martin Root, Steff Shepherd, Sheila Smith, Dolores Spurgeon, Bert Steed.

The Departed:

- All we have known and loved, who have left us through the years, and especially at this time: John Greenwood, Gladys Mulley, Terence Parsons, Gordon Stemp and Diana Trent.

WEEKLY NOTICES:

ORDINATIONS to the priesthood are going to take place in a service in Guildford Cathedral on Saturday 29th of June at 10.30 in the morning. There are a limited number of tickets available, so let Nicola (nicola@stnicolascranleigh.org.uk) know if you'd like to be there and she can arrange a ticket for you, of course on a first come first served basis. Also let Nicola know if you require accessibility needs or wheelchair access, a large print order of service, and the number of children's activity packs (suitable for 10 and under, 1 per child). **Erik will preside over his first Communion Service the following day, Sunday 30th of June at 11am (Note the later than usual time to make a smoother flow into the Lunch). At this service, Erik will also baptise baby Astrid. The Preacher at this Service will be Revd David Philips, who was Vicar of Holy Trinity Church in Utrecht, where Erik worshipped before training for ordination. After the service there will be a Bring and Share Lunch in the Church Rooms, when we will also be joined by**

Gabrielle Clarke and her family and friends as she comes from her service of ordination as a Deacon. Please bring finger food (drinks will be provided).

RECTORY FÊTE: Pimm's Mint To make our delicious Pimm's at the Rectory Fête mint is needed. Unfortunately this year my mint is not growing very well. Would anyone please have mint which I could come and pick on Friday 12th July? Thank you Sandra Keeping 01483275643 or sandra.keeping@btinternet.com.

RECTORY FETE Bottle Tombola We urgently need donations of bottles for the bottle tombola. Please bring to the office during opening hours or contact Maurice and Gill Bowles on 276213 gillbowles@btinternet.com. Thank you

LITTLE NICS TODDLERS - HELP NEEDED Little Nic's Toddlers group runs every Friday morning in term-time from 10-11.30 am in the St Nicolas Church Room. Susan Clarke and I are so grateful for the small group of volunteers who give their time every week to make this such a successful group.

We do, however, have weeks when one or more of our volunteers is unable to be there, and this is where we need some help!

We are hoping to put together a list of people who would be willing to fill in at Toddlers on an occasional basis and whom we can contact if a member of our team is unable to be there.

We would need help from 9 am with setting up the hall with toys and mats etc. and then putting things away and serving drinks and snacks.

If you feel able to help in this way when needed - or even help more regularly - please leave your contact details with Nicola in the office and we will be in touch.

Thank you, Julie Connor and Susan Clarke

HOSTS NEEDED *thank you for the offers received thus far, we still need more so please let us know if you can help***** On Wednesday 25th

September, a group of Clergy Pilgrims from the Church in Denmark, along with some Clergy from our own diocese, will be visiting Cranleigh as part of a Pilgrimage from Dorking to Guildford – we are looking for volunteers to put

them up for the night and provide them with breakfast. Please let Nicola know if you can help?

CRANLEIGH FOOD BANK DONATION POINT Donations basket is to your right as you enter the south door, underneath the leaflet shelf. No soup or tea at the moment please. No fresh produce or out of date/open items. Thank you

MEMORY LANE will be meeting tomorrow at 2.30pm in the Cranleigh Arts Centre and singing some of the songs to be included in "Joy in Music" in the Village Hall this September. At the following meeting on the 1st July, the Ukulele Group will add further interest to the talented Music Group; Also during this meeting, the Carer Guests can enjoy a talk by Sally Burton from Action for Carers. Memory Lane meets every 1st & 3rd Monday afternoon each month. *(For information Tel: 01483 274398)*

SEWING GROUP Join us for fun and friendship every Monday morning in St Andrews room 10am-12noon. No previous experience of sewing or knitting is needed so do come along and have a go, or just come along and enjoy a warm drink and good company! Everyone is welcome.

MOTHERS UNION: We have a thriving Mothers' Union which meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Anyone is most welcome – contact Jane Etherington on 01483 274319 / etheringtonjane@yahoo.co.uk for more information



DONATIONS: Don't forget you can always make an online donation in support of church funds by visiting the [website](#), clicking on the red button or scanning the QR code.



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? Roy and Erik 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!