

## St Nicolas Church

# Building Faith in the Community

# Newsletter for Sunday 19th January 2025

# **Second Sunday of Epiphany**

8am: Holy Communion

Led by: Barbara McDonald



**10am: Holy Communion** 

Led by: David Ireland

Hymns: 690, 486, 788, 424, 812

Anthem: Tye – O Come ye servants of the Lord

### We're pleased you're here

Welcome to St Nicolas! There's no need to say or do anything during a service; feel free to sit and listen. We're delighted to have children here and we know children can be noisy – please don't worry! Church is a family, so be yourself. You are welcome to use our kneelers and bibles in church: please do return them to the shelves or position after use, thank you. When it comes to receiving communion, we recognise that some prefer not to receive from the chalice. Please note that at St Nicolas our practice is not to intinct (dip the wafer in the wine).



## **Today's Bible Readings**

1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 (page 1153 in the church bible) John 2: 1-11 (page 1064 in the church bible)

## **Today's Collect**

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## This week we are praying for:

- \* For the work of The Mission to Seafarers and our links John Adie and Eldred Clark, we pray:
- for the Mission and its core Christian principles which are to promote the spiritual, moral and physical wellbeing of seafarers and their families worldwide;
- for seafarers as they carry such a large percentage of world trade yet risk perils such as shipwreck and piracy;
- that seafarers are well fed, given good shore leave, have sensible length contracts that are not extended without good reason and are never subjected to abandonment;
- that the Mission is given good access to vessels in port and their crews since turnaround times can be very short.
- \* For all our Family Activities led by Celeste Rios.
- \* For our neighbours in Dorking Road.
- \* For Our Church Development Plan: focussing on 'Increasing our capacity to take forward the mission of the church'.
- \* From our Electoral Roll: Jan, Peter, Valerie, Toby, Carolyn, Lyn, Peter.
- \* Family and friends of those who have recently died: Tina Lamborn, Reg Carlier, Tim Carlier, Pamela Cheesewright.
- \* Those who are ill: Jenny Carlier, Pat Davidson.

If you have a prayer request, please contact a member of the ministry team. You can also raise a prayer request by email at pleasepray@stnicolasbookham.org.uk or via our website 'prayer page' at https://www.stnicolasbookham.org.uk/prayer

### **Notices**

#### QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER BASED ON THIS WEEK'S BIBLE READING

Both of today's readings draw out the importance of obedient service to God.

- 1. Do you know your personal spiritual gifts, and the area of service to which God is calling you?
- 2. Do you find fulfilment and flourishing in your service for God?

If the answer is 'No' to either of these questions, then "The Servant Course" would help you to turn each 'No' into a 'Yes'. If you would be interested in joining a course, drop a line to chris.holloway@stnicolasbookham.org.uk

FAIRTRADE STALL is available in church this Sunday – please come and have a look.

#### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2025 - 18th January to 25th January

Churches Together in Bookham are marking the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity by providing a daily opportunity to meet together for Bible reading and prayer. We will meet at 8.30am each morning for about half an hour, except on Saturdays when we will have prayers at 9am followed by croissants and coffee.

- 9.00am Saturday 18th January led by Eastwick Road Church, followed by coffee and croissants
- 8.30am Monday 20th January led by St Mary's Church Fetcham

- 8.30am Tuesday 21st January led by St Nicolas Church
- 8.30am Wednesday 22nd January led by the Church of The Holy Spirit, Fetcham
- 8.30am Thursday 23rd January led by Bookham Baptist Church
- 8.30am Friday 24th January led by St Nicolas Church
- 9.00am Saturday 25th January led by Eastwick Road Church, followed by coffee and croissants

**TINA LAMBORN** The funeral of Tina Lamborn will be held in St Nicolas church on Thursday 23rd January at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

**NEW FIRE BOOKHAM** Sunday 26th January at 6 for 6.30, 4 Fox Lane, Little Bookham KT23 3AT, for a time of modern worship and reflection. Everyone very welcome.

**SILENT PRAYER GROUP** Monday 27th January from 12 noon to 12.45pm, with a silent time of 25 minutes, plus some prayers and readings. This group is now meeting in homes, contact Jean Forward for details (housegroups@stnicolasbookham.org.uk). All welcome to enjoy peace and stillness.

**REG CARLIER** The funeral of Reg Carlier will be held in St Nicolas church on Wednesday 29th January at 2.00pm. All are welcome.

CAP, CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY QUIZ NIGHT Why not support CAP, one of our Outward Giving Links in a fun way by getting together a group of friends to make up a team of 8 for their annual Quiz evening. This will be held on Saturday 8th February at Bookham Baptist Church with doors opening at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start and finishing at 10.00pm. Light refreshments will be available of tea, coffee and cakes, and feel free to bring your own drinks and nibbles. Tables of 8 need to be booked as a whole, with the cost at £10 per person (£80 per table). Details and a booking form are available using the link https://bookhambaptist.churchsuite.com/events/usrfbwi3 or by using the QR code to be found on the CAP posters in the Tower or Outward Giving Display board (near the choir vestry) in church. Any questions, please contact reception@bookhambaptist.org or phone 01372 811313.

### The Week Ahead

Mon 20th	10.00 am	Tots Alive – Church and Church Room
	4.00 pm	BYouth – Pastoral Centre
Tue 21st	8.30 am	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Church
	10.00 am	Tuesday Coffee Morning – Pastoral Centre
Thu 23rd	10.00 am	Holy Communion (Hebrews 7:25 – 8:6; Mark 3: 7-12)
	10.40 am	Thursday Coffee Morning – Church Room
	3.00 pm	Funeral of Tina Lamborn – Church
	6.30 pm	Choir Practice – Church
Fri 24th	8.30 am	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Church
	4.00 pm	BYouth – Pastoral Centre
Sun 26th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a; Luke 4: 14-21)
	10.00 am	Holy Communion (1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a; Luke 4: 14-21)
	12 noon	Baptism of Casper Dienn-Sunassee – Church

### This week's duty Church Warden:

**Bob Searle** 

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**CONFIRMATION** Are you confirmed? If not, and you would like to consider whether this is right for you, please do have a conversation with Alan Jenkins. We are planning to support a service of Confirmation at St George's, Ashtead, on Sunday 11th May at 6.00pm and already have one candidate from our church who has expressed a desire to be confirmed. If there are others, nearer the time we will provide a couple of opportunities to meet and prepare.

**ST NICOLAS CALENDAR 2025** A heartfelt thank you to everyone who bought a calendar. £200 has been raised toward the toilet upgrade project or other projects chosen by the PCC. With very best wishes for 2025. Vicki Dixon

**DO YOU ENJOY MEETING PEOPLE AND WORKING IN TEAMS?** We are looking for friendly, organised people to join our teams of Sidesmen and Welcomers and to join our coffee rota. No previous experience needed. If so, or you'd like to know more, please speak to one of our team or contact Vicki Dixon email: vicki.dixon@stnicolasbookham.org.uk

**ST NICOLAS MAGAZINE PRICE RISE** The cost of paper and printing has gone up significantly over the last few years and so we need to increase the magazine price to cover our costs. The price for 2025 has been increased to 75p per issue. For those who take out an annual subscription, please pay £7.50 by online bank transfer (Sort code 40-52-40, Account 00019044) noting that the payment is for the magazine. Alternatively, please pay via the parish office or the wall safe in church. Thank you.

**ECO TEAM – MILK BOTTLE TOP COLLECTION** Please note that we have decided to discontinue collecting milk bottle tops. They can now be recycled in domestic recycling bins and we have found that the value of the collections is no longer financially worthwhile (although since 2010 we have raised more than £357 for Cancer Research and A Rocha). If you have any, please let us have them sometime during January. Thank you. **Useful Contacts** 

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