

# The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, St Nicholas of Myra



## Pentecost (Whit Sunday) – 8 June 2025

**Welcome.** St Nicholas' is the original church of Brightelmston village, and the Ancient Mother Church of Brighton: a haven of peace and prayerfulness in the heart of our city. We celebrate diversity, and believe that God's unconditional love is for all. Children are very welcome here.

**The Eucharist** is celebrated on most days of the week in this church. *See notices inside.*

### Instruction in the Christian Faith

**Holy Baptism** for children and adults

**Sacrament of Penance** (Confession)

**Holy Matrimony** and **Thanksgiving after Civil Marriage**

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arrangement  
with  
the Vicar*

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**Parking** is available at St Paul's School on St Nicholas' Road, for the 10.30am Parish Eucharist, from 8.45a.m. until 1.00pm.

If you would like to receive our **regular mailing**, please contact the Vicar.

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Join us on Zoom: Meeting ID: 833 4639 2107 Passcode: 991506

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83346392107?pwd=T2lyRWtab1hHeVNHYjhCK3JLNXZsUT09>

## Notices

Weds **recital**: John Bruzon plays Mozart, Brahms, Liszt and Chopin (please note change of programme).

**Messy Church** takes place on Tuesday at 3.00pm: a warm welcome for crafts, refreshments and worship, for children accompanied by an adult.

The **Companions** fellowship group will meet on Zoom each Tuesday fortnightly at 7.00pm: next meeting is Tuesday 17 June. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744 Passcode: 108653 <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86772482744?pwd=CvBCue5XqxazLxLyiajFa5BStgMsnb.1>

**Summer fair Sat 21 June.** We are appealing for volunteers to help look after different stalls and tasks at the fair. Please have a look at the grid at the back of church: if you're able to offer your time please put your name by a stall/task – all help very much appreciated!

Our sponsored charity this month is **Emmaus**, which supports people to work their way out of homelessness, providing purpose as well as a stable home for as long as someone needs it. In the past 26 years Emmaus Brighton & Hove has provided a unique solution to combatting homelessness to over 1,500 Companions (residents) many of whom have complex needs.

On a windy but dry May Bank Holiday, 25 or so cheerful souls from St Nick's gathered to walk along the seafront to Rottingdean. The going was easy; the high tide was lively on the undercliff and good fellowship enjoyed all round. We arrived at the beautiful and newly restored St Margaret's church in Rottingdean to see the flower festival and enjoy a talk from the vicar Fr Anthony. All in all a great morning. Is 25 August in your diary for our next walk? I hope so! *Brian Ogilvie*

The crematorium service for **Carole Potter** will take place on 17 June at 3.00pm at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Crawley. Her Requiem Eucharist will take place in St Nick's on 3 July at noon. All are welcome at both services.

Attendance last week: 8.00am: 12 adults 10.30am: 75 adults.

## THE EUCHARIST

*We stand to sing the opening hymn:*

**O thou who camest from above**

*Celebrant:* In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*People:* **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

*The celebrant introduces the liturgy and we confess our sins.*

...Lord, have mercy. **Lord have mercy.**

...Christ have mercy. **Christ have mercy**

...Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy**

*The celebrant says the prayer of absolution and we respond:* **Amen.**

*We are sprinkled with holy water as a reminder of our baptism, and join in the refrain:*

**We shall draw water joyfully, singing joyfully, singing joyfully;**

**We shall draw water joyfully from the well springs of salvation.**

*We sing the Gloria in excelsis:*

**Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.**

**peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,**

**we worship you, we give you thanks,**

**we praise you for your glory.**

**Glory, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.**

**peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God,**

**you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;**

**for you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**

**receive our prayer, receive our prayer, receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,**

**you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,**

**Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,**

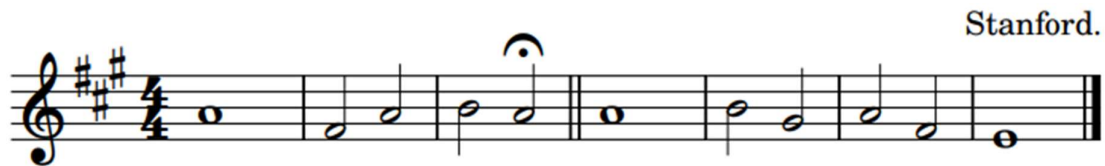
**in the glory, the glory, the glory of God the Father.**

**Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*The celebrant prays the Collect and we respond: **Amen***

*We sit for the Scripture readings. At the end of the reading (Acts 2.1-21) read by Sharon Baxter we respond: **Thanks be to God.***

*We sing Psalm 104.26-36, led by Jude Mills.*



26 O Lord, how • mani•fold • are your • works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the • earth • is • full of • your • creatures.

27 There is the • sea, • spread • far and • wide,  
and there move creatures beyond • number, • both • small • and • great.

28 There go the ships, and • there is • that Le•via•than  
which you have • made • to • play in • the • deep.

29 All of • these • look • to • you  
to • give them • their • food in • due • season.

30 When you give it • them, • they • gather • it;  
you open your hand and • they • are • filled • with • good.

31 When you hide your • face • they are • troubl•ed;  
when you take away their breath,  
they die and re•turn • a•gain to • the • dust.

32 When you send forth your spirit, • they are • cre•at•ed,  
and you re•new • the • face of • the • earth.

33 May the glory of the Lord en•dure • for • ev•er;  
may the • Lord • re•joice in • his • works;

34 He looks on the • earth and • it • trem•bles;  
he touches the • moun•tains • and • they • smoke.

35 I will sing to the Lord as • long • as I • liv•e;  
I will make music to my • God while • I • have • my • being.

36 So shall • my • song • please • him  
while I rejoice in the Lord. • Al•le•lu•i•a.

*We stand, joining in the acclamation to herald the gospel (John 14.8-17, 25-27).*

Alleluia alleluia alleluia alleluia ... **Alleluia alleluia alleluia alleluia.**

*Reader:* Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

*People:* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end:*

*Reader:* This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*We sit to hear the homily.*

*We stand together to declare our faith.*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*We sit or stand for the prayers of intercession, led by Jo Baker, and respond:*

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer or: Lord hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.**

*At the end:* Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*We stand for the Peace.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Donations are collected for the work of St Nicholas'. Contactless donations can be made after the Eucharist at the door, or you can donate online using the QR code. If you would like to make a regular donation, please pick up a standing order form from the cupboard by the main door and return it to the parish priest, or Churchwarden.*



**Come down, O Love divine,**

*We stand as the celebrant says the Prayer over the Offerings and respond: **Amen.***

*We remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The celebrant praises God and we sing:*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and God of might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name,**

**He who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

*The celebrant recalls the Last Supper.*

Let us proclaim the myst'ry of faith.

**Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.**

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*The celebrant continues the prayer and we respond:*

**Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

*People:* **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

*As the bread is broken, we sing:*

**Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, Lamb of God, Jesus Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace; grant us peace.**

*Celebrant:* Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

*People:* **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*All who are baptised and normally receive Communion are welcome to do so here. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward with this booklet in your hands. If you are unable to stand, please let a sidesperson know, and Communion will be brought to you.*

*The Ministry of Healing – the laying on of hands with prayer and anointing – is offered in the Lady Chapel. If you would like to receive this, please go through to the chapel after you receive Communion or a blessing.*

*Communion anthem : Holy Spirit, ever dwelling – Herbert Howells.*

*We remain seated to sing.*

**Come, Thou Holy Spirit, Come,**

*We stand for the Post-Communion Prayer and respond: **Amen***

*We sit for notices.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The celebrant gives the blessing and we respond:* **Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen!**

*Celebrant:* Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

*We remain standing to sing:*

**Love divine, all loves excelling,**

*All are most welcome to stay for refreshments in church.*



## This Week at St Nicholas'

*St Nicholas' is open throughout the week. Everyone is welcome – why not drop in?*

Sunday 8	<b>PENTECOST (Whit Sunday)</b>	8.00am Eucharist <i>Prayer intention at 8.00 &amp; 10.30: People of the parish</i> 10.00am Matins (Lady Chapel) 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
Monday 9	S. Columba	12.00pm Eucharist <i>The people of Scotland</i> 6.45-9.00pm Narcotics Anonymous 7.30-10.00pm Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 10	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer) <i>The judiciary and all who uphold the rule of law</i> 3.00-4.00pm Messy Church 6.30-10.00pm Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal
Wednesday 11	S. Barnabas	2.00pm Recital: John Bruzon plays Chopin, Brahms, Liszt and Mozart 3.00pm Eucharist <i>The peace of the world</i> 7.00-10.00pm – Five Rhythms Meditative Dance
Thursday 12	Feria	5.30pm Eucharist followed by Silent Prayer until 6.30pm <i>Emmaus Brighton and Hove</i>
Friday 13	S. Anthony of Padua	12.00pm Eucharist <i>The better care and protection of animals</i> 12.30-3.00pm – Open Church
Saturday 14	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist <i>Those preparing for marriage</i> 1.00pm Holy Matrimony of Max Bryson and Vanessa Richter
Sunday 15	<b>MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	8.00am Eucharist <i>Prayer intention at 8.00 &amp; 10.30: People of the parish</i> 10.00am Matins (Lady Chapel) 10.30am Sung Eucharist