

The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, St Nicholas of Myra



Eleventh after Trinity – 31 August 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**

} *by
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.

Follow us online: www.stnicholasbrighton.org.uk / www.facebook.com/StNicsBrighton

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

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83346392107?pwd=T2lyRWtab1hHeVNHYjhCK3JLNXXZsUT09>

Notices

Fr Pete's final Sunday in the parish. Fr Pete will be licensed as Associate Vicar of S. Mary the Less, Cambridge, at the High Mass on Sunday 14 September at 10.30am. All are welcome to attend the licensing. Today we give thanks for Fr Pete's ministry, and wish him and Jenny a fond farewell. Do please stay behind after the Sung Eucharist for conversation, cake and sparkling wine.

Homelees House Communion takes place at 3.30pm today, followed by cake and conversation. If someone you know lives at Homelees and might appreciate joining this monthly prayer and fellowship, please do let them know.

Weds **recital:** Sylvia Akagi (guitar) and Peter Golden (flute) play Classical, Traditional, Blues

Open Church volunteers. If you can spare a few hours a month to help keep the church open on Friday and Saturday afternoons, this would be much appreciated: there is a sign-up sheet on the table, or please speak to one of the Churchwardens after mass.

The **Companions** fellowship group will meet on Zoom each Tuesday fortnightly at 7.00pm: next meeting is Tuesday 9 September, when we will be reading part 2 of Henri Nouwen's *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744 Passcode: 108653

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86772482744?pwd=CvBCue5XqxazLxLyiajFa5BStgMsnb.1>

Help David Lee to send essential Medical Aid to Ukraine: on 8

September 2025, David Lee will be delivering a 4x4 vehicle and essential medical aid to Ukraine, and is raising funds for essential winter tyres and medical supplies like CAT tourniquets and trauma dressings. Use the QR code or go to <https://gofund.me/2b2bd499>



The Friends of St Nicholas' concert – *A Musical Journey Across the Globe* – will be on Saturday 20th September, featuring Sally Ann Shep, Anthony Hawgood, Trevor Alexander, and Peter Crockford. Doors open at 6pm for a 6.30pm start. Tickets can be purchased from Miranda Sinyard, and cost £30 (including a picnic supper).

Our sponsored charity this month is **Family Support Work (FSW)**, which provides emotional and practical support to families in need. This includes listening, advice, advocacy, food parcels, support groups and play activities. FSW supports families struggling with issues such as poverty, ill health, learning difficulties, bereavement, family break-up and domestic abuse.

Deconstructing Gender - Dr Sam Hall, trans man and local GP, is giving a talk at St Nicholas on Saturday 6th September at 2pm, exploring the connection between queerphobia, misogyny, and toxic masculinity. Free to attend, and refreshments available. Contact Nigel for more details.

Intercession List. From Sunday 7 September, our intercession list will be revised. If you would like a loved one to remain on the list from that Sunday, please email the Vicar.

Weekday mass schedule in September. In preparation for the forthcoming vacancy, the number of weekday masses will be reduced, beginning from 1 September. The Eucharist will continue to be celebrated at the usual times from Tuesday-Friday, but there will be no celebration on Monday or Saturday.

Of your charity, please pray for (names for inclusion in the prayers can be sent to the Parish Office):

The sick: Brenda Parkes, Joy Adfield, David Bishop, Kate Maynard, Peter Burton, Elizabeth Yates, Liz Davies, Pauline Messum, John Lawson, Terry Potter, Bob & Jean Priestley, Harmony Barnes, Miles MacDonald, Cliff, Peter Holloway, Toni Lewis, Daphne, Janet and Chris Steele, Sylvia Reid, Jane Gray, Malcolm Waterson, Lucas, Kevin Mudie, Elizabeth Protheroe.

Recently departed: David Totman, Lesley Claridge.

At their year's mind: Arthur Fine, John Brown, William Clarke, Thomas Lambert, Jack Hoare.

THE EUCHARIST

We stand to sing the opening hymn:

Angel-voices ever singing

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.

The celebrant introduces the liturgy and we confess our sins.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

we have sinned against you,

through our own fault,

in thought, and word, and deed,

and in what we have left undone.

We are heartily sorry, and repent of all our sins.

For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,

forgive us all that is past;

and grant that we may serve you in newness of life

to the glory of your name. Amen.

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

We sing the Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy):

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We sing the Gloria in excelsis:

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

Glory to God in the highest,

and 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 to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

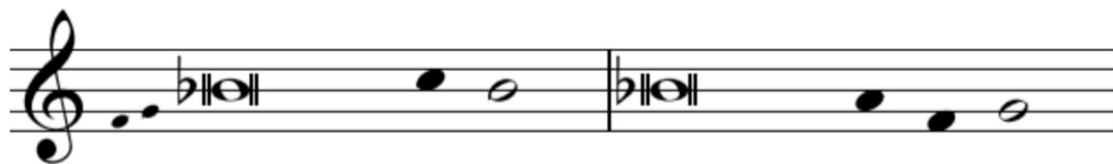
Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:
 have mercy on us;
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
 receive our prayer.
 Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
 For you alone are the Holy One,
 you alone are the Lord,
 you alone are the Most High,
 Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
 in the glory of God the Father.
 Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

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

*We sit for the Scripture readings. At the end of the reading (Hebrews 13.1–8, 15, 16) we respond: **Thanks be to God.***

We sing Psalm 112, led by Vivienne McKay.



- 1 *Al-le-luia.* Blessed are those who fear the • Lord •--
and have great delight in his • com•mand•ments.
- 2 **Their descendants will be mighty in the • land, •--
a generation of the faithful that • will • be • blest.**
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their • house, •--
and their righteousness endures • for • ev•er.
- 4 **Light shines in the darkness for the • up•right;
gracious and full of compassion are • the • right•eous.**
- 5 It goes well with those who are generous in • lend•ing
and order their affairs • with • just•ice,
- 6 **For they will never be • shak•en;
the righteous will be held in everlasting • re•mem•brance.**
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil • ti•dings;

their heart is steadfast, trusting • in • the • Lord.

**8 Their heart is sustained and will not • fear, •--
until they see the downfall • of • their • foes.**

9 They have given freely to the poor; their righteousness stands fast for • ev•er;
their head will be exalted • with • hon•our.

**10 The wicked shall see it and be angry; they shall gnash their teeth in
des•pair; •--
the desire of the wicked • shall • per•ish.**

We stand, joining in the acclamation to herald the gospel (Luke 14.1, 7–14).

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 Trevor Loveday, 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.



Glorious things of thee are spoken,

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 might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper.

The mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The celebrant continues the prayer and we respond: **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:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, 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.

If you prefer to receive Communion in one kind (bread only) please feel free to do so. Christ is fully present in both the bread and the cup and gives himself fully to us whether we receive in one kind, or both.

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: Ave verum corpus, W. A. Mozart.

During Communion we remain seated to sing.

A new commandment I give unto you;

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

We sit for notices and stand for the Blessing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

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

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

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

*People: **Thanks be to God.***

We remain standing to sing:

Let all the world in ev'ry corner sing,

Voluntary: Toccata in G major by Theodore Dubois

All are most welcome to stay for refreshments in church.

This Week at St Nicholas'

Sunday 31	ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8.00am Eucharist <i>Prayer intention at 8.00 & 10.30: People of the parish</i> 10.00am Matins 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Ministry of Healing 3.30pm Homelees House Communion
Monday 1	S. Giles	6.45-9.00pm Narcotics Anonymous 7.30-10.00pm Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 2	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer) <i>Peace of the world</i> 6.30-10.00pm Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal
Wednesday 3	S. Gregory the Great	2.00pm Recital: Sylvia Akagi (guitar) and Peter Golden (flute) play Classical, Traditional, Blues 3.00pm Eucharist <i>The ministry of Pope Leo</i>
Thursday 4	Feria	5.30pm Eucharist followed by silent prayer until 6.30pm <i>Children, carers and staff of S. Paul's School</i> 7.00-9.00pm TSSF local area meeting
Friday 5	Feria	12.00pm Requiem Eucharist <i>Departed of September</i> 12.30-3.00pm Open Church
Saturday 6	Feria	2.00pm Talk and Refreshments: Deconstructing Gender, Dr Sam Hall.
Sunday 7	TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8.00am Eucharist (BCP) <i>Prayer intention at 8.00 & 10.30: People of the parish</i> 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism

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