

The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, St Nicholas of Myra



Fifteenth after Trinity – 28 September 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.

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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

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Notices

Space for You Guided Meditation takes place in church on Monday at 1.00pm – all welcome.

Weds **recital**: Peter DeSouza (piano) plays *Mozart: A journey through improvisation*.

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 7 October, when we will be reading part 4 of Henri Nouwen's *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744 Passcode: 108653

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Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 5 October. If you would like to make a contribution to the decoration of the church, there will be a retiring collection after mass each Sunday in September. We will also be collecting food donations at the Harvest Festival for the FSW foodbank to support those in need – please use the box by the door. There will be a Parish Lunch on Harvest Sunday, following the Parish

Eucharist. The menu is a 2-course lunch comprising Glazed Ham, Dauphinoise potatoes and vegetables followed by Apple Crumble and Custard with vegan and vegetarian options available. Tickets are £15 and are available from 14 September from Jo Baker – jo.baker11@outlook.com.

As part of our preparations for the vacancy, the format of the **Sunday service booklet** will be simplified over the coming weeks so that its production each week is more manageable. Feedback is welcome, so please let me know what is easy to read and use, and what is less so. *Fr Dominic*

Brighton and Hove Christians Together lecture 2025. On Friday, October 10 at 7.00pm, Rev Dr Susan Durber will speak at the Chapel Royal on 'The Legacy of Nicaea', reflecting on the legacy of the Council and its resonance for faith, unity and mission in today's Church. Dr Durber is a minister in the United Reformed Church and the World Council of Churches President from Europe. She has served local churches, as Principal of Westminster College in Cambridge, and as Theology Advisor for Christian Aid. All are very warmly welcome to attend the lecture: please use the QR code to book on Eventbrite:



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.

Sunday 28	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8.00am Eucharist 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Ministry of Healing 3.30pm Homelees House Communion
Monday 29	Ss Michael and All Angels	1.00pm Space for You Guided Meditation
Tuesday 30	S. Jerome	12.00pm Eucharist (BCP 1662)
Wednesday 1	Feria	2.00pm Recital: Peter DeSouza (piano) plays <i>Mozart: A journey through improvisation</i> . 3.00pm Eucharist
Thursday 2	Feria	5.30pm Eucharist & Silent Prayer until 6.30pm
Friday 3	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist – Requiem for October 12.30-3.00pm Open Church
Saturday 4	S. Francis of Assisi	2.30pm Visiting bellringers peal
Sunday 5	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (Harvest)	8.00am Eucharist (BCP) 10.30am Sung Eucharist followed by Parish Harvest Lunch

Mass setting: Thorne

Offertory Hymn

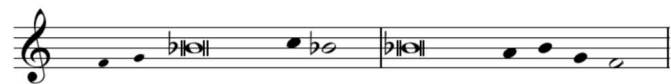
Opening Hymn

Blest are the pure in heart,

Ye holy angels bright,

Anthem: The Call, Richard Lloyd

Psalm 146



Communion Hymn

1 *Al-le-luia.* Praise the Lord, O my soul:
while I live will I praise the • Lord; •--
as long as I have any being, I will sing •
prais•es • to my • God.

Immortal love, for ever full,

2 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any
human • pow•er,
for there • is • no • help in • them.

Final Hymn

3 When their breath goes forth, they return
to the • earth; •--
on that • day • all • their thoughts • perish.

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

4 Happy are those who have the God of
Jacob for their • help, •--
whose hope is • in • the • Lord their •
God;

Voluntary: Choral Song, S. S. Wesley

5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea and
all that is in • them; •--

who keeps his • prom•ise • for • ever;

**6 Who gives justice to those that • suf•fer
wrong
and • bread • to • those who • hunger.**

7 The Lord looses those that are • bound;
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the Lord opens the • eyes • of • the •
blind;

8 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed
• down; •--

the • Lord • loves • the • righteous;

9 The Lord watches over the stranger in the
land; he upholds the orphan and
widow;

but the way of the wicked • he • turns •
upside • down.

10 The Lord shall reign for • ev•er,
your God, O Zion, throughout all
generations. • Al•le•lui•a.