

Saint Nicholas Parish Notices
Fourth Sunday of Easter, 26th April 2026

To submit an item for the notices, please contact notices@stnicholasbrighton.org.uk

Today Sunday 26th is the last day for inclusion in the Parish Roll for this year. There are forms at the back of the Church or see Frances Lindsay-Hills.

Last year we had the marathon job of creating an electoral roll from scratch. This year we just have to add the names of all who have joined our community and take off the few who sadly have left us. There are lots of new faces at St Nicholas and we would love you to be formally members of this church. Your personal details are kept strictly private, and we only email you if you agree. In this difficult time of an interregnum, it is important to be seen to be a vibrant church with a growing membership. There are forms at the back of the church. If you have any questions, email our Electoral Roll Officer Frances Lindsay-Hills. fmlindsayhills@gmail.com or speak to her on a Sunday.

We will have our Annual Parish Church meeting (APCM) after the Service on Sunday May 17th. This is a formal meeting, which involves the election of Churchwardens, PCC and Deanery Synod members. It's also an opportunity to review what we have done as a parish over the last year. Please do consider standing for Deanery Synod or the PCC, to help us plan our way forward over the next years. If you would like more information on standing for a role, please speak to the Churchwardens or a member of the PCC.

Cakes needed! Do you enjoy baking? Would you be able to bake a cake or two for the Wednesday Recitals? If so, please contact Vivienne or one of the wardens!

This week's music recital sees us joined by classical guitarist, teacher and composer Maurizio Baudino, graduate of the Cuneo Conservatory, Italy. Baudino is well known for both his solo and chamber performances, and will be playing a selection of music drawn from the work of Albéniz, Walton, Villa-Lobos, and Piazzolla.

The Annual Mackerel Fayre will soon be upon us! Sunday 17th of May marks the celebration of the Annual Mackerel Fayre at the Fishing Museum on the Lower Prom, between the piers. This event will include "the Blessing of the Nets", a time-honoured ceremony to welcome the new fishing seasons and which recognises the heritage of the fisherfolk who worshipped here at Saint Nicholas over the centuries. The new large display board which tells the history of our church can also be viewed.

This year the service will be taken by longstanding friend of our parish, Revd Buff Stone from St Lukes, Prestonville, and Mayor Amanda Grimshaw will be in attendance for one of the final duties of her year in office. The event starts at 12.30pm and includes much entertainment besides, including sea shanty singers and a hilarious local comedy troupe. Admission is free, but donations to the museum and the RNLI are very welcome.

Bookings are now open for four 90 minute tours of the church to take place as part of the Fringe Festival in May. These will take place on 16th and 23rd of May, at 12.30pm and 3pm. Numbers are limited and the talks often sell out, so book now to hear and see some of the 1,000 years of history, treasures and characters of our beautiful church. Tickets can be found on the Fringe website –

<https://www.brightonfringe.org/events/tour-of-st-nicholas-church/>

Please Save the Dates! South London Jazz Orchestra on the 30th of May. The Annual Summer Fair: 27th June. Further details nearer the time.

Bishop Martin retires at the end of May, and as a diocesan family we are beginning the search for his successor. Have your say in the appointment at tinyurl.com/next-bishop or by using the handy QR code – just scan it with your phone’s camera. It will take only a few minutes to complete, and it is open until May 26th. We welcome responses from everyone.



Find out more about the process for appointing our next bishop at www.chichester.anglican.org/vacancy-in-see/

If you would like to speak with Fr David or Fr Chris and don’t have their contact information, please contact the Church Wardens via email (churchwardens@stnicholasbrighton.org.uk) and your message will be passed on to them.

Our sponsored charity this month is the Beachy Head Chaplaincy, a frontline Christian charity offering compassionate support for those in crisis at Beach Head. Since its founding in 2004 this team of trained search and rescue chaplains have helped over 7,500 people who wanted to end their lives on the cliffs, and helped them to find a more hopeful, brighter, path forward. More information can be found on their website - <https://www.bhct.org.uk/>

Further information about the charities which we support can be found at the back of the church after mass.

The Companions Fellowship Group will next meet on Tuesday 28th of April, from 7-8pm. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744 Passcode: 108653

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

15-Apr The John Lake Quartet

Add to Jazz Playlist - *Originals & Standards*

22-Apr Safiye Sahin

Piano - *Liszt, Bach and Prokofiev*

29-Apr Maurizio Baudino

Guitar - *Albéniz, Walton, Villa-Lobos, Piazzolla*

6-May Katy Blatt, Chris Darwin, and Sylvia Coward

Violin and Piano – *Telemann, Vivaldi, Bach, and more*

13-May Adrien Brandeis

Jazz Piano - *Repertoire from his latest album*

20-May Luca Luciano

Clarinet - *20 and 21st century music*

27-May Viola Lenzi and Isabella Gori

Four hands - one piano - *Gershwin, Ravel*

3-June Stuart Deeks

Violin - *Bach*

10-June Leora Cohen and Ariel Lanyi

Violin and Piano - *Schumann and Mozart*

17-June Jane Tyler

and the Hammig String Quartet - *-Beethoven*

25-June Louis-Victor Bak

Piano - *Fauré, Chopin, Dutilleux*