

Saint Nicholas Parish Notices
Corpus Christi Sunday 7th June 2026

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A big congratulations from all here at Saint Nicholas to Adrian, David, and Joe, who were confirmed in their faith at the confirmation service at Saint Andrew's church on Thursday. Please keep the three of them in your prayers and your hearts.

The Annual Summer Fair will soon be upon us! The time has come to begin preparations for our Summer Fair/Dog Show on 27 June 2026 (12.30-3.30). In the meantime, we can begin by kindly asking for donations as follows:

- Bottles for the bottle tombola (not necessarily all alcoholic)
- Chocolate for the chocolate tombola
- Jams/Marmalades/Preserves/Cakes/Chutneys
- Bric-a-Brac (not large items such as bikes or rowing machines!)
- Books (recent paperbacks in good condition only please)
- Crafts

Ideally, donations can be brought to church on Friday, 26 June, (10 am to 2pm), or during the morning of 27th, but can be delivered on preceding Sundays if 26/27 June is not possible for anyone.

Volunteers to help setting up and clearing away will be very welcome!

Please speak to Jo, Veronica, or a churchwarden for further information and hopefully to offer your help/donations.

Thank You!

There will be a meeting for all church fair volunteers in the Lady Chapel after mass on the 21st. Please attend, as we will be running through the plans for the day and addressing any last minute bits!

This Saturday we will be hosting Brighton-based, 14-piece acapella group *Sea of Sound* for two intimate performances of what they say is their best arrangements so far! Doors open at 3.15pm and 6.15pm, and tickets can be purchased online here - <https://ti.to/sea-of-sound-brighton/sea-of-sound-summer-gig-2026> All welcome!

Chapel Royal warmly invite us to join them for Evensong on Sunday 14th June at 6pm. The service will be filled with beautiful singing lead by their Evensong choir, and offers a chance to reflect and meditate through scripture, prayer and song.

Church tours: our four tours in May welcomed 70 visitors and raised £425 plus donations for general funds. Thanks to Laurie, Sharon, Sorrell and Veronica for giving their time to help with setting up for the tours, and greeting visitors - **Brian Ogilvie**

A big thank you to all in the congregation for raising £1,095 for Family Support Work and the brilliant work that they do with children and families facing hardship in Sussex. A thank you note from the charity can be found at the back of the church.

The Clocktower Sanctuary, one of our regular charities of the month, has written to us to express their thanks for the money we raised for them over the past year. A copy of this letter is on the notice board at the back of the church for you to read.

Saint Paul's CE Primary School have shared with us the outcome of their recent OFSTED inspection. This report noted that the school is working with the children in their care to a high standard across the board and shows consistent levels of excellence in a number of areas. These include the "the calm, purposeful and engaging learning environment" for early years pupils, which is reflected in how the "children show care and consideration for others and demonstrate resilience and independence", and the great work that the school has been doing with disadvantaged pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities. For more information, please see the printed copy of the letter from Headteacher Michelle Lord and Deputy Head Laura Stansfield at the back of the church.

Monks in the City, based out of St John the Baptist, Kempton, are offering a series of events exploring contemplative prayer and a retreat day at Worth Abbey. On Tuesday the 16th of June there will be a talk entitled *The Way of Wholeness* and on the 21st of July *The Way of the Spirit*. Each talk starts at 6pm with evening prayer, followed by a simple supper at 6.30pm, and the talk itself from 7pm, and take place at St John the Baptist.

On Saturday 20th June all are invited to join them for an opportunity to experience the prayerful atmosphere of the Abbey Church and to enjoy the extensive grounds of Worth Abbey. Numbers for this retreat are limited so please book in advance. For further information please visit <https://www.monksinthecity.uk/>

For this week's music recital, we will be joined by Saint Nicholas favourite, John Bruzon, who will be playing a collection of Romantic classics for the piano drawn from the work of Chopin and Liszt.

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!

Our sponsored charity this month is Action around Bethlehem Children with Disability (ABCD), a front-line humanitarian charity working to improve the lives of children with disabilities across Palestine regardless of faith, race, or gender. ABCD work closely with local partners to provide high-quality treatment programmes designed to empower and educate families in the region and to make life-saving child-centred care available to those who need it the most.

More information about ABCD and the great work that they do can be found on their website:
<https://abcdbethlehem.org/>

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

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.

The Companions Fellowship Group will next meet this Tuesday 9th of June, and every subsequent fortnight, from 7-8pm. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744 Passcode: 108653

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

Attendance Last Week: 65 Adults and 2 Children.

Wednesday Music Recitals

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 and Ellie Blackshaw

Violin solos and duets - *Biber, Dudley Hyams, Bartok and Gibbons.*

10-June John Bruzon

Piano – *Chopin and Liszt*

17-June Jane Tyler

and the Hammig String Quartet - *-Beethoven*

25-June Louis-Victor Bak

Piano - *Fauré, Chopin, Dutilleux*