

The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 16th August 2026



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.

Vicar - During this period of interregnum please contact the Churchwardens, Parish Administrator, or relevant member of the PCC with any enquiries.

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Parking is available at St Paul's School on St Nicholas' Road, for the 10.30am Parish Eucharist, from **9.30am** until **1.00pm**. If you would like to receive our **regular mailing**, please contact the Parish Office.

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

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

Sunday 16	ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	10.30am Sung Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
Monday 17	<i>Feria</i>	6.45-9pm Narcotics Anonymous 7-9pm Bell Ringers Practise
Tuesday 18	<i>Feria</i>	No Mass today
Wednesday 19	<i>Feria</i>	1.30pm Music Recital - The Trio Reinecke (clarinet, viola and piano). 3.15pm Mass 7.30pm Gay Men's Chorus rehearsal
Thursday 20	<i>St Bernard of Clairvaux</i>	5.30pm Mass followed by silent prayer
Friday 21	<i>Feria</i>	9.30-11.30am Church Closed for Organ Practise.
Saturday 22	<i>Feria</i>	No Mass today
Sunday 23	TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	10.30am Sung Eucharist

THE EUCHARIST

We stand to sing the opening hymn:

**Sing we of the blessed Mother
who received the angel's word,**

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 all 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 (Isaiah 61.10-11) read by Louise Roddon we respond: Thanks be to God.

We sing Psalm 45.10-17, led by Vivienne McKay.



10 Hear, O daughter; consider and in•cline • your • ear;
forget your own • people • and your • fa•ther's • house.

**11 So shall the king have pleasure • in • your • beauty;
he is your • lord, • so • do • him • honour.**

12 The people of Tyre shall • bring • you • gifts;
the richest of the • people • shall • seek • your • favour.

**13 The king's daughter is all • glori•ous with•in;
her clothing is em•broi•dered • cloth • of • gold.**

14 She shall be brought to the king in • raiment • of • needlework;
after her the virgins • that • are • her • com•panions.

**15 With joy and gladness shall • they • be • brought
and enter into the • pa•lace • of • the • king.**

16 'Instead of your fathers • you shall • have • sons,
whom you shall make princes • o•ver • all • the • land.

**17 'I will make your name to be remembered through • all • gene•rations;
therefore shall the peoples • praise you • for • ever • and • ever.'**

We stand, joining in the acclamation to herald the gospel (Luke 1.46-55)

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.*



As the Offerings are brought to the altar we stand to sing:

**Hail, Holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria!
Hail, Mother of mercy and of love, O Maria!**

*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 sing:

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 service booklet in your hands. If you are unable to stand, please let a Churchwarden or sidesperson know, and Communion will be brought to you.

We remain seated to sing.

**For Mary, mother of our Lord
God's holy name be praised,**

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!**

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

We remain standing to sing:

**Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;**

Voluntary: Charpentier – Te Deum

All are most welcome to stay after the Eucharist for refreshments.