

Saint Nicholas Parish Notices
Trintiy 14, 6th September 2026

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

Mother Fiona will be licensed as the Vicar of our parish at a ceremony on September 17th at 7.30pm here in church. Please email the parish office to let us know if you would like to attend the service if you haven't done already to give us an idea of numbers for refreshments.

Retreat Day, Saturday 12 September. We are excited to be partnering with the World Community for Christian Meditation Brighton and Hove Group to host Fr Peter Williams for a day of prayer, reflection and meditation. The day will run from 9.45am until 3pm and is entitled *The Prayer of Meditation: A Benedictine Perspective*. All welcome, suggested donation £10, drinks provided but please bring your own lunch. Spaces are limited so please contact Celia on 01273 555967 or celia.heneage@gmail.com to confirm your place.

We will be hosting the Macmillan Coffee Afternoon on Friday 25th of September from 12 noon until 3.30pm. All are welcome to attend and to partake of some delicious food, drinks, and fellowship while raising money for a very important cause.

This Wednesday we welcome John Bruzon who will be performing a selection of music for the piano drawn from the works of Bach, Liszt, and Chopin. Born and educated in Gibraltar, Bruzon studied at Trinity College of Music, London, and has subsequently had a career spanning both classical and lighter musical arenas, including playing about the QE2 on a round-the-world cruise! He is a firm friend and favourite of us here at Saint Nicholas and we look forward to having him join us again on Wednesday. Door open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start, suggested donation £5. Tea, coffee, and cake available.

We are thrilled to announce that we will be hosting the tour finale of Richard Durrant's *The Art of Levitation* here in church on Saturday 3rd October at 7.30pm. Richard is a celebrated concert guitarist with international reach and popularity and has chosen Saint Nicholas as the closing venue of his tour as it was the first venue that he ever played in - at the age of 10 years old! He also played here in June 1986 before his London debut. The performance will include music from the High Baroque, English Folk Baroque, and a number of his own compositions. Tickets are £22 and are available from Richard's website - <https://www.richarddurrant.com/the-art-of-levitation>

Our sponsored charity this month is The Clocktower Sanctuary, the only drop-in day centre in Brighton and Hove for young people aged 16-25 experiencing homelessness. Founded in 1998 the Sanctuary provides essentials such as food, a place to wash and dry clothes, internet access and hot showers, along with groups and activities, coaching and mentoring, and ongoing support to help young people achieve long term stability and a path out of homelessness. For more information, or to volunteer, see their website - <https://www.thechts.org.uk/>

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

YMCA Downlink, a charity working with vulnerable young people in our city, are looking to expand their multi-faith chaplaincy team and would like new volunteers to support their work. They write "We warmly welcome enquiries from people of all faith traditions and belief backgrounds who share a desire to support young people with compassion, dignity, and respect. We are looking for good listeners who are non-judgmental, reliable, and able to work respectfully with people of all faiths and none." For further information, please contact Lead Chaplain Mike Jones via email - mike.jones@ymcadlg.org

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 Tuesday 8th September, 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>

Bishop Ruth, Bishop of Horsham, has asked us to pray for those responsible for nominating the new Bishop of the diocese of Chichester over the next months.

These are the people we are asked to pray for and here is the recommended prayer for us to use

- Revd Canon Lisa Barnett, Team Rector of Horsham
- Bob Chambers, lay representative on the General Synod (2024-26), member of St Margaret's, Angmering
- Revd Anita Colpus, Rector of Trinity Lewes
- Michelle Lashley, Early Years Minister at Hailsham Parish Church
- Ven Martin Lloyd-Williams, Archdeacon of Brighton and Lewes
- Bradley Smith, lay representative on the General Synod (2015-26), Churchwarden at Aldingbourne, Barnham and Eastergate

*Almighty God,
We praise you for the abundance of your grace, mercy, and peace, sustaining those who serve
you across this diocese.*

*We thank you for the work of the Vacancy In See Committee, and we pray for the six people
elected to serve as members of the Crown Nominations Commission.*

*We ask that by your Holy Spirit you would give them gifts of wisdom and discernment for the
work entrusted to them.*

*We pray that you would continue to form them in the likeness of your Son, with humility,
courage, and faithfulness.*

*May they serve to the glory of your name and the building up of your Church;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

Amen.

Wednesday Music Recitals

5-Aug Eleanor Kelly and Mike Hughes

Guitar and Vibraphone - *Latin Americana*

12-Aug Stuart Deeks

Bach, Biber and fiddle tunes from the UK

19-Aug Trio Reinecke

Clarinet, Viola, Piano - *Beethoven, Juon, Jacobsson*

26-Aug Ivan Hovorun

Piano - *Mozart, Chopin, Rachmaninoff*

2-Sept CATIL Wind Quintet

Hindemith, Onslow, Debussy

9-Sept John Bruzon

Piano - *Liszt, Chopin*

16-Sept Sylvia Akagi & Peter Golden

Guitar, Flute - *Classical, Traditional, Blues, Original*

23-Sept Angelina Kopyrina

Piano - *Bach-Busoni, Beethoven, Liszt*

30-Sep Peter De Souza

Piano - *Mozart, Handel*



LICENSING NOTICE

Name of Priest designate	The Revd Fiona Jane HARRISON-SMITH
Current Appointment	Rector of St Mary and St Margaret's Castle Bromwich and Vicar of St Clement of Alexandria Castle Bromwich
New Appointment	Vicar of St Nicholas of Myra, Brighton
Stipend/Time Commitment	Full-time stipendiary
First Incumbency	No
Date of App Announcement	Sunday 28 th June 2026
Date of Licensing	Thursday 17 th September 2026
Time	7.30 pm
Venue	St Nicholas of Myra, Dyke Road, Brighton BN1 3LJ
Instituted by	Bishop of Lewes
Inducted by	Archdeacon of Brighton and Lewes
Liturgical Chaplain	The Revd Alice Smith

Circulated to:

The Priest Designate; The Patrons (if applicable); Headteacher (if applicable); The Churchwardens; The Bishop's Senior Staff; Diocesan Staff, Palace Staff, Diocesan Registry; The Rural Dean; The Deanery Lay Chair; Communications Team.

Notes:

- The Service will be in the context of the Eucharist, and it is recommended that a special booklet is produced. The order of service is available on the diocesan website: <https://www.chichester.anglican.org/licensing-service-information/>
- The booklet should include Common Worship materials and should contain hymns and music for those parts of the service which are sung. Lections should be the Eucharistic reading for the day unless the Bishop directs otherwise.
- A proof of the service must be sent to the office of the officiating Bishop for approval before final printing. If the service is being conducted by an Archdeacon, then please send the draft to the Senior Liturgical Chaplain.
- A rehearsal will be organised by the liturgical chaplain prior to the event for all concerned. Please do not hesitate to contact the Appointments Secretary should you have any questions.

Laura Muchmore, Clergy HR and Appointments Administrator, 24/07/2026