

Saint Nicholas Parish Notices

25th October 2026

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We will be celebrating All Souls on Saturday 31st of October 4pm. This will be a requiem Mass for the dearly departed. If you would like your loved ones remembered as part of the service, please add their names to the sheet at the back of the church today or after Mass this week, or send these by email to notices@stnicholasbrighton.org.uk

Space for You Guided Meditation will be held in the church on Monday from 1pm. All are welcome to join.

'Real Life Rev'

Revd Martin Poole is vicar of St Lukes Prestonville, and a good friend of this church. He has written a book titled 'Real Life Rev' and will be talking about this at **2.30pm on 3 November** at the Friends Meeting House in Ship Street. A good speaker and sure to be worth listening to.

Admittance only £3. No need to book in advance - just turn up!

Open Table Network. St. Luke's Prestonville is planning on hosting a Christian worship community that genuinely welcomes and affirms people who are Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans, Queer/Questioning, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA) + allies, as part of the Open Table Network. This will be an intentional and ecumenical space for any LGBTQI+ church or non-church folk to join together to worship, pray, share, socialise and network and will meet monthly on the second Sunday of each month from November onwards. The first meeting will be at **4pm Sunday 8th November.**

A local asylum hostel housing women and children is due to be closed. Many of the residents there have put down roots in our city, made friends and the children attend local schools. They are threatened with being rehoused in cities across the UK where they face isolation and loneliness and having to rebuild their lives yet again. A local charity is raising money to support these families and to help them remain housed in Brighton and Hove – more information can be found here - <https://chuffed.org/project/brighton-says-yes> Additionally, local spare rooms are being sought to house single women and women with children who face eviction from the hostel. If you can help please follow the link or speak with Mother Fiona after Mass for more information.

The Friends of Saint Nicholas Annual Dinner is taking place on Saturday 28th November here in church. Doors are at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets are £45 for a

four-course gourmet dinner. A welcome drink is included and a licensed bar will be available throughout the night. Tickets are available after the 10.30am Sunday service here at church, or via bank transfer. For more information or to make a payment, please email fosnchurch@gmail.com

Volunteers needed! Do you love music and want to play a part in supporting both the church and our local community? If so, please make yourselves known! We are currently looking for volunteers to help organise and programme our weekly Wednesday recitals. For more information, please speak to Paul or Frances, or email the parish office.

A big thank you Paul and Frances for all the work that they have done over the past couple of years with the recitals and for ensuring such a high calibre of musician to perform for us.

This Wednesday we welcome Galina Umanskiy, a classical trained pianist of the Moscow school tradition whose interests in art, literature, psychology and philosophy influence her musical performance. Galina will be performing a selection of music drawn from the works of Beethoven, Ravel, Scriabin and Prokofiev. Doors open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start. £5 suggested donation. Tea, cake and coffee available.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our harvest foodbank collection for the Family Support Work, a faith-motivated charity that provides services to families-in-need across the diocese Further information can be found on leaflets at the front of the church. Please contact Spencer for more info or to make a donation on 01273 832963 or spencer@familysupportwork.org.uk.

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.thects.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 this Tuesday, 27th October, 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.

Attendance last week:

8am: 8

10.30 am: 80 adults and 3 children

