



Welcome to the Parish Church of St. Nicholas Burnage

'Knowing, Growing, Sharing in the love of Christ'

Hi Everyone,
Here is the newsletter for Sunday 26th April 2020

As you will be aware, the church building remains closed for all services. We want to continue to support our congregation so if you are housebound or isolating and need any shopping or errands, please let Alison 07932071977 or Jane 07745392374 know as members of our congregation have kindly offered to help where they can.

We will be following the Church of England guidance, this can be found [here](#).

Readings for 26th April, Third Sunday of Easter

First reading: Acts 2:14a, 36 - 41

Psalm 116: 1- 4 , 12-19

Second reading: 1 Peter 1:17 - 23

Gospel: Luke 24 : 13 - 35

Rachel and Ollie will be delivering a service on Sunday 26th April at 10.30am. you can watch this service via the links below:

On our church website <https://www.st-nicholas-church.org.uk>

Or via Rachel's You Tube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SuperBlitzgirl>

Rachel and Andrew will be delivering services for Morning and Evening prayer as follows:

- **Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am each day, (except Friday and Saturday). This will be very simple, using the Northumberland Prayer tradition
- **Evening Prayer** at 16. 00 pm GMT each day. It will be based on Common Worship, but with variants from other traditions on some days.

A message from Rev'd Andrew Bennison :

Dear Friends,

'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road...?' (Luke 24.32)

If we were in church this Sunday we would hear the wonderful story of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24.13-15). This is surely one of the most evocative passages of Scripture: the risen Jesus journeying alongside his dejected and disheartened disciples. It is only once the journey is over - and bread is blessed and broken - that the disciples realise he was with them all along: *'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road...?'*

Ordinary life is disrupted for all of us at the moment. We must wait patiently for the time when bread is blessed and broken again. But let us not imagine that Christ is absent in the meantime. The risen Jesus continues to journey alongside us. We may not recognise him very clearly, but nonetheless he makes his presence felt – in those moments when our hearts burn within us on the road.

When have you felt your heart burn within you over the last week? When have you felt your heart soar? Such moments are fleeting and easily missed – but pay attention to them if you can. They are the moments when life is truly ‘real’. They are the moments when God makes his presence felt.

May the risen Lord be close to all of us on this strange journey. May our hearts burn within us on the road!

Andrew

Here is a link to a document on our church website: [Ways to pray if you can't get to church](#) a book of prayers to use at home for personal prayer for those of you who are isolating.

PRAYER LIST April 2020

Please pray for Jacob Holt, his family and his Godfather, Giles Elliott, Brenda Denny, Jim Davey, Vi Reed, Barry Southall, Irene Smith, Claire Cawley, Georgie Rose Naylor, Peter Taylor, Ian Lomas, Sylvia Bate, Paul Nield. Ann Ackerman. Winifred Murphy, Norma Cookson.

IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

Muriel Wheatley (Anchor Westfield, Hall Lane, Wythenshawe), Edith Partington.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Eunice Wilshaw

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Gill Radford, Steve Johnson, Stanley Mottershead, Angela McDonough, Lynn Conlan, Paul Clark, Katie Thornburn, Eileen Chow, Barbara Stenton, John Ennis, Vivian Lewis, Mike Griffin, Gordon Campbell, Peggy Dadswell, Sheila Andrews, Edith Bate, Herbert Bradley, Peggy Taylor, Elsie Collins, Patricia Kenneally, Rev'd Brian Barker, Ada Lloyd, Freda Cornahcan, Joan Grundy, Sheila Frewin, Winnie Witty, Geoff Smalley, John Sankey, Roger Males, Edith Lowe, Elaine Crossley, Rita Condron, Ruby Timmis, David Witty. Doreen Forshaw, Eileen Klyne, Maureen, Gladys Short, Dorothy Eades

A message from our Treasurer:

First of all, I would like to extend a ‘great-big’ thank you to all of you who have continued to offer financial support to our Church. It is truly amazing how our wonderful and generous congregation have rallied round to ensure we can continue to meet our commitments.

We are very grateful for your on-going support particularly during this difficult time when church services are suspended.

If you would like donate to the church regularly, you can set up a standing order direct into our bank account. Forms are available on the website and here is a link to the form.

<http://www.st-nicholas-church.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/SNC-Regular-donation-form.pdf>

All you need to do is print then complete the form and return it to me to process.

Andrew Mills
St Nicholas Church Treasurer
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Wilmslow
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If you would prefer to send a contribution by cheque, please make the cheque payable to 'St.Nicholas PCC' and post it to me using the details shown above.

If you would prefer to simply make a one off or occasional payment into the church accounts, here are the bank account details for BACS:

Account details: NatWest Bank (Didsbury)
Account Name : St Nicholas Church PCC
Account number: 02047578
Sort code: 01-02-69

In order for use to claim Gift Aid, please ensure that any reference you use allows us to identify you. Please add a reference of your initials and postcode. E.g. AJM SK91EH

***Thank you,
Andrew Mills,
Treasurer***

Happy Birthday:

If you have a birthday or you know that someone else in the congregation has a birthday in April, please let us know. Call Alison on 07932071977 or Jane on 07745392374 or email alison@st-nicholas-church.org.uk.

If you would like to add any names or notices to the newsletter, please let Alison know on email: alison@st-nicholas-church.org.uk or by phone 07932071977. Thank you