



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 28th June, Third Sunday after Trinity

We hope you are all continuing to keep well.

You will be aware that the Church of England has announced that Church buildings can prepare to open for Worship from Saturday 4th July. The final decision as to when a church is open is left to the discretion of the Church Parochial Council (PCC). Our PCC met this week, we have considered carefully how we will prepare the building for opening from July. The date for opening has yet to be finalised but we will keep you all posted. We intend to ensure that the building, the clergy and lay team are prepared and ready and the church is made as safe as possible for our return. Please remember that there will be restrictions in numbers initially, we will inform you about all of this once we have more information.

Once the building is open, we will be able to offer funeral services and wedding services although numbers will also be restricted.

We are delighted to report that Hilary Shepherd our Church Cleaner is now back working with us and she is in Church on a Wednesday and Friday (early morning). We are also planning to do some tidying up prior to opening and we will add signage and social distance markers ready for our return to the building.

More information will follow in the coming weeks, but it is positive news that as a country we are going to be slowly returning to doing the things which really matter to us including meeting with friends and family (all at a safe distance) and attending church for worship and prayer.

We want to continue to support our congregation so if you need any shopping or errands, please let Alison 07932071977 or Jane 07745392374 know.

Readings for 28th June, Third Sunday after Trinity

O.T Genesis 22:1-14, Psalm 13, N.T. Romans 6: 12 - 23 Gospel Matthew 10 :40 - 42

Rachel, and Ollie will be delivering a service on Sunday 28th June at 10.30am. You can watch this service via the links below: On our church website <https://www.st-nicholas-church.org.uk>, our Facebook Page or via Rachel's You Tube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SuperBlitzgirl>

Rachel continues to deliver **Morning Prayer** at 8.30 am each day, (except Friday and Saturday). This will be very simple, using the Northumberland Prayer tradition

Join us for a virtual coffee morning on Saturday 27th June at 10:30 am.

Dear friends,

I'd like to invite you to another Coffee Morning on Saturday 27th June at 1030am.



The idea is a simple one: if you'd like to come along please let me know via my church email (rector@st-nicholas-church.org.uk) by 5.30pm on Friday 29th May.

(It is an invite only event for security and safety reasons so it's crucial that you let me know if you'd like to come. Thanks.)

I will then send you a link to a Zoom meeting that you can click on at 1030am on Saturday. This will then lead to our 'chat zone'/meeting room.

Please bring a coffee or a cup of tea and a biscuit or cake and we can have a chat for about 45 minutes. I'd love to see you there. I know Zoom and other forms of digital platforms can feel intimidating, but by following the link (even if you don't have zoom on your iPad or phone or computer) you should be able to connect. I'd love you to join me for a short catch-up and a chance to see friends! *Rachel*

Wednesday prayer session - Tune in to a quiet half hour of prayer with Rev'd Andrew Bennison on Wednesday mornings at 11.am, the sessions can be viewed via the St.Nicholas Facebook Page



'Gathering, Sharing, Praying' – Upcoming Sessions

The next meeting of the online 'Gathering, Sharing, Praying' group will be on Monday 6th July. We will be exploring the Ignatian tradition of prayer and spirituality, with input from Storm Janeaway.

All are welcome to attend the group (you do not need to attend each session – feel free to dip in and out!). The format is simple: an opportunity to gather, to share resources and experiences, and to pray. The sessions begin at 7.00pm on Zoom and last about 40 minutes.

If you are interested in attending please let Andrew know: curate@st-nicholas-church.org.uk. He will send you the login details for Zoom.

The final session of the series will be on Monday 20th July and will explore prayer in the Northumbrian tradition.

Hope you can join us!

Revd Andrew Bennison and Alison Mills

PRAYER LIST June 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, Margaret Vessey, Derek Carr, Albert Radcliffe.

IN RESIDENTIAL CARE

Muriel Wheatley (Eachstep (Charlestown Unit) Blackley, Manchester M9 7ED)
Edith Partington, Amy Haygarth

IN HOSPITAL

Bevan Taylor (Buccluch Lodge, Elizabeth Slinger Road)

ANNIVERSARY list, June 2020

Doris Crossley, Joan Bodgers, Jean Bradbury, Melanie Wills, Alfred Vost, Brenda Whitwell, Ken Holmes, Ian Boswell, Ken Paterson, Agnes Penny, Ellen Lane, Iris Hubble, Corinne Schofield, Sheelagh Mainwaring, Alfred Hurd, Jean Blades, Maggie Cloughton, John Pugh, Peggy Salts, Alfred Vost, Anne Morrison, Roy Cookson, Jane Stitt, John Atkinson, Norman Atherton, Karen Hunt, Hilda Wilkinson, Harold Woodhall, Anne Thompson, Roy Knowles, Joyce Barlow, Matthew Nicholls, Doreen Preece, Ray Walsh, Noel Hurley, Frances Janeway.

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

Here are details of a new phone service available to everyone. Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.



A Church of England initiative in partnership with CONNECTIONS at Holy Trinity Claygate, and Faith in Later Life

The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 – has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

A message from our Treasurer:

Please consider making a donation to church during this period when the church is closed, we really do need every penny to maintain the building and to meet our commitments. As you may be aware, all church hall bookings and fundraising events are cancelled for the foreseeable future, so we do need your help to maintain our income. 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 c/o
2 Glenside Drive
Wilmslow
SK9 1EH

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 to the following lovely people who celebrate their birthday in June:

5th June Jane Cawley, happy 60th birthday.

6th June Julie Bodgers

30th June Lucy Crossley

Vi Reed, Lois Stone and Elfin Brook also have birthdays in June – so we hope you all celebrated in style!

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