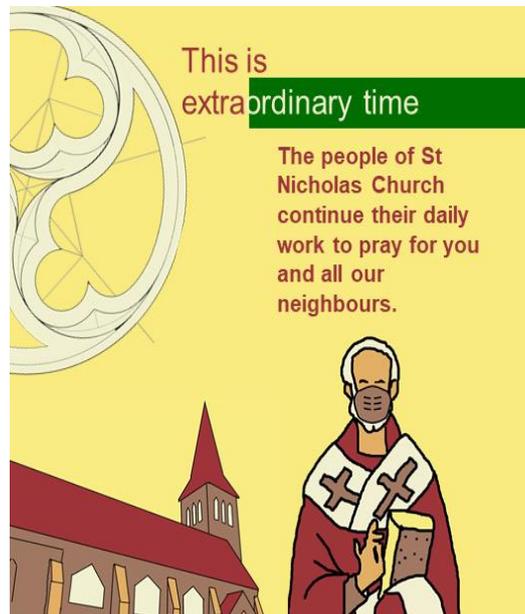


**Worship at St. Nicholas, Sutton  
for Trinity 10 on 16 August 2020  
Collect, hymns, readings & sermon**



Please join me for our service at 10.30am today (or at another convenient time) by following the Order of Service and singing in your own home.

I will be thinking of you all and praying for you and longing for our future reunion in Church.

*Frances*

Revd Frances Arnold, Priest-in-Charge

Duty Warden: John Kerr

Server: Cedric Burge

Musician: Paul Waton

Sound desk: Roger Barnes

Old & New Testament: Jenny Gillbe

Gospel: Matthew Phillips

Sidespersons: Mary Meldrum, Peter Wilson

Refreshments: Margaret Ager, Glynis Osborne

Welcomers: Jean Chappell, Sylvia Cowling

**Collect** (prayer of the week)

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Hymns

Opening *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun*

Gradual *In Christ there is no east or west*

## Readings

### **Isaiah 56.1, 6-8**

*The Covenant Extended to All Who Obey*

56 Thus says the LORD:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,  
for soon my salvation will come,  
and my deliverance be revealed.

<sup>6</sup> And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD,  
to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD,  
and to be his servants,  
all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,  
and hold fast my covenant—

<sup>7</sup> these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;  
their burnt-offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;  
for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,  
I will gather others to them  
besides those already gathered.\*

### **Romans 11.1-2a, 29-32**

*Israel's Rejection Is Not Final*

11 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2</sup> God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel?

<sup>29</sup> for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup> Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup> so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now\* receive mercy. <sup>32</sup> For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

**Matthew 15.10-28***Things That Defile, The Canaanite Woman's Faith*

10 Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand:  
11it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes  
out of the mouth that defiles.' 12Then the disciples approached and said to him,  
'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?'  
13He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be  
uprooted. 14Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind.\* And if one blind  
person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' 15But Peter said to him, 'Explain  
this parable to us.' 16Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding?  
17Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and  
goes out into the sewer? 18But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the  
heart, and this is what defiles. 19For out of the heart come evil intentions,  
murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. 20These are what  
defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.'

21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22Just  
then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have  
mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' 23But  
he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying,  
'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' 24He answered, 'I was sent  
only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' 25But she came and knelt before  
him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' 26He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's  
food and throw it to the dogs.' 27She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the  
crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' 28Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman,  
great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was  
healed instantly.

**Sermon**

By the Archdeacon of Lambeth, the Venerable Simon Gates (see separate sheet)