

St Nicholas Church Sutton

4 May 2025

Worship

Please check the website and mailings for the most up to date information about our services.

This week: Sunday 4th May **3rd Sunday of Easter**	**10.30am Holy Communion** led by The Venerable Moira Astin, Archdeacon of Reigate **Service will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting at 12.15pm**
Readings	Acts 9.1-6, Revelation 5.11-end, John 21.1-19
Hymns	427 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation, 15 All my hope on God is founded, 560 Will you come and follow, 282 Jesus wherever thy people meet
Thursday 8 May	**10am Holy Communion** led by Revd Alison Way
Next Week: Sunday 11th May **4th Sunday of Easter**	**9.30am Holy Communion** (said) led by Revd Martin Hayward **10.30 am United Service at Sutton Baptist Church** to mark Christian Aid Week
Readings	Acts 9.36-end, Revelation 7.9-end, John 10.22-30

Prayer List

Roger Barnes, Wilhelmina Robson, Jennifer Emptage, John Stannett

To include someone on the prayer list please ask their permission first. Then send the request to:
PCCSecretary.StNicholas@suttonteamministry.org by Wednesday.
Please note that Clergy/Staff will not be able to answer questions about people on the prayer list.

If you would value a pastoral visit or communion at home if you are unable to attend St Nicholas, please get in touch with Rev Alison via the parish office contact or direct via Alison.Way@southwark.anglican.org.

This year's Annual Church Meetings will take place after the 10.30 service on Sunday 4th May. Ven Moira Astin will chair the meetings.

Charity of the Month for May is Christian Aid

NOTICES AND WHAT'S ON

Gardening Sessions

Join us for a friendly and accessible gardening session at the Dr. George Rice Community Garden! Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just want to lend a hand, there's a place for you. We'll be tidying up the garden, preparing it for the next season. Jobs include gentle weeding, planting, light digging to prepare beds, and even some raking and mowing for those who fancy it. We have seated areas for those who prefer to work from a chair, ensuring everyone can participate comfortably. Join our welcoming team, enjoy the fresh air, and help us keep this space thriving! All tools and guidance provided. The gardening takes place on the following Saturdays between 1 pm and 2:30 pm - 10th May, 7th June, 19th July, 9th August, 6th September

Fairtrade Church

We are trying to regain our status as a **fairtrade church**. Whilst we always appreciate donations, we do buy large quantities of Fairtrade tea, coffee, sugar, and hot chocolate. If you are donating, please think Fairtrade before you buy!

FRIENDS OF ST NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD

2025 Litter Picking Sundays

We're holding litter picking sessions on Sundays listed below between noon and 12:40 pm. Come help us keep this special place clean and respectful. We'll provide gloves and pickers. Safety is key: wear suitable footwear, be mindful of uneven ground and historic features, and always work with a buddy. Children must be accompanied by adults. We'll meet at the West Porch of the Church. Thank you for helping us preserve our historic churchyard! Sunday May 11th, Sunday June 8th, Sunday July 13th, Sunday August 17th, Sunday September 14th

Saturday 3 May 12 noon to 10pm	Everyone is invited to the Richards' Annual Garden Party on Saturday, 3rd May, from 12 noon to 10.00 pm. If you don't know where we live please ask! Please bring whatever you would like to drink. Jeff and Nicki
Saturday 17 May Trinity Church	 10.45am (coffee served from 10am) Coffee, music and the power of hope - music, readings and film about Christian Aid and its work to end poverty and achieve climate justice. All are welcome, there is no charge.
Saturday 17 May Trinity Church 7pm	Bunker Quiz" in support of Christian Aid. Tickets are £10 each - but please consider giving £15 if you are able to. Children 11 and under free of charge. There will be a 2-course supper of Bangers and Mash followed by Lemon Cheese Cake. (Meat free and gluten free options available but please let us know in advance.) Soft drinks and raffle tickets on sale on the night - please bring cash! Tickets available from Jane Oliver, Ruth MacLaren or David Jones.
Sunday 18 May	The Mothers' Union are having a picnic on Sunday, 18 May following the 10.30 am service. This will be in the Dr George Rice Community Garden (but in church if the weather is inclement). Please bring your own lunch, and a garden chair if you can. All welcome!
Tuesday 27 May 7.30pm Trinity Church	**Trinity Pentecost Lecture**  'The curse of literalism': poetry, God and the life of faith' by the Very Rev'd Dr Mark Oakley. All are welcome - no admission charge Dr Mark Oakley is Dean of Southwark, and formerly Dean of St John's College, Cambridge. He is an admired public speaker and the author of several books on the relationship between poetry and spirituality, including The Splash of Words: Believing in Poetry, which won the international Michael Ramsey Prize for theological writing.

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