

The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, St Nicholas of Myra



Maundy Thursday – 28th March 2024

Welcome. St Nicholas' is the original church of Brightelmston village, and the Ancient Mother Church of Brighton: a haven of peace and prayerfulness in the heart of our city. We celebrate diversity, and believe that God's unconditional love is for all. Children are very welcome here.

The Eucharist is celebrated on most days of the week in this church. *See notices inside.*

Instruction in the Christian Faith

Holy Baptism for children and adults

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Holy Matrimony and Thanksgiving after Civil Marriage

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with
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Weds 12.30-5.30pm, Thurs 12.30-5.30pm

Fri 9.00-4.30pm

Parking is available at St Paul's School on St Nicholas' Road, for the 10.30am Parish Eucharist, from 8.45a.m. until 1.00pm.

If you would like to receive our **regular mailing**, please contact the Vicar.

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You may like to use these as a help to your prayers before the Eucharist begins.

O Saviour of the World, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us.
Save us and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord. Amen

Salvator Mundi, medieval

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light, look favourably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery, and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence carry out the work of our salvation: and let the whole world feel and see that things which were cast down are being raised up and things which had grown old are being made new and that all things are returning to perfection through him from whom they took their origin, even Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Gelasian Sacramentary, 9th Century

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect for Ash Wednesday

Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits thou hast given me,
for all the pains and insults thou hast borne for me.
O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother,
may I know thee more clearly,
love thee more dearly,
and follow thee more nearly.
Amen.

Prayer of St Richard of Chichester

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer, Collect for Palm Sunday

THE EUCHARIST OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

We stand when the bell rings. We sing:

An upper room did our Lord prepare

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Oils, consecrated by the Bishop at the Chrism Mass, are received into church.

A minister: The oil for the anointing of the sick and dying.

Celebrant: By the laying on of hands and anointing with this oil, and with the prayerful support of this community, may those who are sick experience the healing presence of Christ. **Amen.**

A minister: The oil for the signing of the cross at baptism.

Celebrant: Anointed with this oil, and assisted by the example of this community, may those who are to be baptised know that Christ calls them by name and makes them his own and shares with them his victory over sin and the power of evil. **Amen.**

A minister: The oil of chrism for anointing at baptism, confirmation and ordination.

Celebrant: Anointed with this fragrant oil, may all who are baptised and confirmed, all who are ordained to the service of God's people, and this community whose house of prayer is dedicated to God's glory, fill the world with the sweet fragrance of Christ's gospel and be built up as living stones into a temple filled with the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The celebrant invites us to confess our sins.

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you,
through our own fault,
in thought, and word, and deed,
and in what we have left undone.
We are heartily sorry,
and repent of all our sins.**

**For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
forgive us all that is past;
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

The celebrant says the prayer of absolution and all respond: Amen.

We sing the Kyrie eleison:

**Kyrie, kyrie eleison.
Christe, Christe eleison.
Kyrie, kyrie eleison.**

We sing the Gloria in excelsis – the bells are rung.

Choir: Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

All: Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

We worship you.

Glory in the highest.

Give you thanks.

Glory in the highest.

Praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us.

Have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

Receive our prayer.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God, the glory of God the Father.

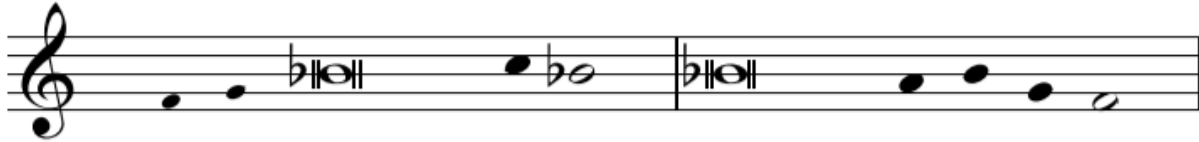
Glory to God, glory in the highest, peace to his people, peace on earth.

Amen. Amen.

*The celebrant prays the Collect and we respond: **Amen***

*We sit for the Scripture readings. At the end of the reading (Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14) read by Jo Baker we respond: **Thanks be to God.***

We sing Psalm 116, led by Charles Hugh Fisher.



1(Cantor): *I love* the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my suppli • ca • tion;
Because he has inclined his ear to me, on the • day • I • called to • him

10 (All): **How shall I re • pay • the Lord;**
for all the benefits • he • has • given to • me?

11 I will lift up the cup of sal • va • tion;
and call u • pon • the • name of the • Lord.

12 I will fulfil my • vows • to the Lord;
in the • presence • of • all his • people.

13 Precious in the • sight • of the Lord;
is the death • of • his • faithful • servants.

14 O Lord, I am your • ser • vant;
your servant, the child of your handmaid, you have • freed • me • from my • bonds.

15 I will offer to you a sacrifice of • thanks • giving;
and call up • on • the • name of the • Lord.

16 I will fulfil my • vows • to the Lord;
in the • presence • of • all his • people.

17 In the courts of the house • of • the Lord;
in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. • Al • le • lu • ia.

We stand, joining in the acclamation to herald the gospel (John 13.1-17, 31b-35).

Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Reader: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

*People: **Glory to you, O Lord.***

At the end:

Reader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

We sit to hear the homily.

After the homily, the celebrant washes the feet of members of the congregation, in imitation of Jesus' actions at the Last Supper. During the rite, the choir sing: Ubi Caritas (Taize).

We sit or stand for the prayers of intercession, led by Louise Roddon, and respond:

Lord hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

At the end: Merciful Father, **accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

We stand for the Peace.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

A collection is taken for the work of St Nicholas'; contactless donations may also be made after the Eucharist at the door. As the Offerings are brought to the altar we stand to sing:

O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray

*We stand as the celebrant says the Prayer over the Offerings and respond: **Amen.***

We remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The celebrant praises God and we sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and God of might:

Heaven and earth, heaven and earth are full of your glory, your power and might.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

Blessed, blessed is he who comes; blessed, blessed is he who comes; blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper.

Let us proclaim the myst'ry of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is ris'n, Jesus Christ will come again.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest heav'ns.

The celebrant continues the prayer and we respond: Amen, amen!

People: **Our Father, who art in heaven,**

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come; thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kingdom,

the power and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

As the bread is broken, we sing:

Cantor: Jesus, source of everlasting life; Jesus, source of reconciling love:

All: Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.

Jesus, by whose suffering we are healed; Jesus, man of sorrows, friend of grief:

Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.

Jesus, crucified, transcending time; Jesus, Saviour, by whose death we live:
Hear our prayer, have mercy; hear our prayer, have mercy; give us your peace.

All who are baptised and normally receive Communion are welcome to do so here. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please come forward with this service booklet in your hands. If you are unable to stand, please wave your service sheet and communion will be brought to you.

Communion anthem: Byrd – Ave Verum Corpus.

We remain seated to sing.

Glory be to Jesus,

*We stand for the Post-Communion Prayer and respond: **Amen***

We kneel or stand as the Blessed Sacrament is taken to the altar of repose, and sing:

Of the glorious Body telling,

The choir sing Psalm 22 as the altars are stripped.

At the end of the stripping of the altars, those who remain are invited to move to the south aisle. We kneel or sit, and sing the chant, which is repeated several times:

**Stay With Me, Remain Here With Me
Watch And Pray, Watch And Pray.**

A watch is kept before the Blessed Sacrament until midnight. You are invited to stay for all or part of the watch.

Please leave the church in silence

Notices for the Coming Week

Our **programme for Holy Week and Easter** is now out. Please consider making a commitment to attend all the festal services this year (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and either the Easter Vigil or Easter Day) if you can. They are all integral to the mystery of Easter and our Christian identity which springs from it.

Bring a bell! If you are attending the Easter Vigil mass don't forget to bring a bell (/gong/maracas/pot and lid) to ring during the Gloria. We make a 'loud noise' to the Lord before & after the silence of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

At the Maundy Thursday Eucharist, it is customary for 12 disciples to have their **feet washed**. If you are happy to bear your soles, please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

If you can spare some **small, plain choccie eggs** for the egg-hunt there is a basket on the table by the door: *thank you*.

And if you plan to come to the **bring and share lunch** on Easter Day, it would be helpful if you could write down what you'd like to bring on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

The **Funeral Eucharist for John Hodges** will take place on Friday 19 April at 1.00pm. All are most welcome to attend. May our departed brother rest in peace and rise in glory.

Bishop Ruth will visit St Nicholas' on 14 May to celebrate the Deanery **Baptism and Confirmation** service. If you wish to be baptised and/or confirmed, please let Fr Dominic know.

The Wednesday music recital this week sees the welcome return of Kenny Fu, piano who will play Schumann (Humoreske op.20), Debussy (Image Book) and Rachmaninov (Sonata op.36 No. 2).

Revision of the Electoral Roll 17 March – 14 April 2024. The church's Electoral Roll will be updated in preparation for the APCM. To be on the Electoral Roll: you need to be sixteen and over; baptised and attend the church regularly (this does not mean every week). If you would like to go on the Electoral Roll please get a form from the Parish Office or Frances Lindsay-Hills, the Electoral Roll Officer, fmlindsayhills@gmail.com. Forms to be returned by Sunday 14 April.

If you might consider **volunteering as a sidesperson** (welcomer on the door) at the Eucharist from time to time, please let Fr Dominic or one of the Churchwardens know.

Please remember to continue to collect your used postage stamps and pass them on to Jo Baker who is collecting them for USPG, which is one of our charities.

The Friends of St Nicholas' It's the time of year for members to renew their membership subscriptions for 2024. If you are a member, you will have received an email from Louisa, the Membership Secretary. Memberships can be renewed by paying cash or contactless to

Jo or Louisa in church, or by BACS directly into The Friends' account (details in Louisa's email, or to Jo or Louisa in church). £10 for a single membership; £15 for two people living at the same address. If you are not a member and would like to join, please pick up a leaflet from the information table near the south door of the church.

Save the date: the 2024 Summer Fair will be held on Monday 6 May. We will have the usual selection of stalls, the fabulous Hangleton Band and the dog show! Do you have any suitable bottles or unwanted gifts, then please put them aside for our tombola. If you can make jam/marmalade/chutney that would be great, please let Mark Alderson know if you need any jam jars. Our craft stall led by Frances, Susan and the sewing group will be happy to receive any other small handmade items for sale, e.g. macramé, needle point, patchwork, wood turning, pottery, carving etc. Please put aside any good quality books and bric-a-brac too, sorry no clothes please. If you are planting seeds this spring, do a few extra for our plant stall or take some cuttings from your favourite plants. Other stalls will include chocolate tombola, cake stall, BBQ, bar, teas with home-made scones. If you have any questions, please speak to Mark Alderson.

Our sponsored charity this month is **Family Support Work (FSW)**, provides emotional and practical support to families in need. This includes listening, advice, advocacy, food parcels, support groups and play activities. FSW supports families struggling with issues such as poverty, ill health, learning difficulties, bereavement, family break-up and domestic abuse.

Attendance last Sunday – 8am 11 adults; 10.30am 95 adults and 9 children

<i>Names for inclusion in the prayers can be sent to the Parish Office.</i>

This Week at St Nicholas'

Friday 29 th	GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	1.30pm The Liturgy of The Passion
Saturday 30 th	EASTER EVE	8.00pm Blessing of The Easter Fire, Vigil of Readings and the First Eucharist of Easter followed by a party <i>The hope of resurrection</i>
Sunday 31 st	EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION	10.00am Morning Prayer (Lady Chapel) <i>Special prayer at both masses for: People of the parish</i> 10.30am Parish Eucharist followed by an Easter Egg Hunt and a Bring and Share Lunch 6.00pm Evening Prayer and Benediction
Weekday Morning & Evening Prayer: Monday 5.30pm, Tuesday 5.30pm, Wednesday 5.30pm, Thursday 9.00am, Friday 10.00am, Saturday 9.00am		

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