

The Ancient Mother Church of Brighton, St Nicholas of Myra



The Third Sunday after Trinity – 6 July 2025

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**

} *by
arrangement
with
the Vicar*

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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.

Follow us online: www.stnicholasbrighton.org.uk / www.facebook.com/StNicsBrighton

Join us on Zoom: Meeting ID: 833 4639 2107 Passcode: 991506

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83346392107?pwd=T2lyRWtab1hHeVNHYjhCK3JLNXZsUT09>

Notices

Weds **recital**: Emily Jennings and Archie Bonham (soprano and piano) present: A Treasury of Song

The Summer Fair raised the splendid sum of £2,500. Thank you to everyone who helped make it such a successful day, especially to all who helped to organise it and who volunteered on the day.

There will be a **Parish Lunch** on Sunday 20 July, following the Parish Eucharist. The menu is a 2-course lunch comprising roast beef with accompanying vegetables, and Eton Mess for dessert, with vegan and vegetarian options available. Tickets are £15 and are available from Jo Baker (01273 708708) from 28 June.

Celebrating Fr Chris' Doctoral Degree. Rosemarie McDermott is pleased to invite you to join her in celebrating the end of a six-year journey for her husband, Fr. Chris, who will receive his Ph.D. degree on Monday 21st July. To mark the occasion a light buffet and drinks will be provided for all those who wish to remain behind after Mass on Sunday 27 July. To help us organise the catering please sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you plan to join this special celebration.

Messy Church volunteers. If, as a church, we want our Messy Church to continue, we will need some more volunteers. We need people to help with the following: plan the sessions (e.g. coming up with craft ideas); set up the church and put things away (including moving chairs and putting out tables); provide food. Is this something you could help with? Speak to Fr Pete for more information, or to express your interest.

The **Companions** fellowship group will meet on Zoom each Tuesday fortnightly at 7.00pm: next meeting is Tuesday 15 July. All welcome: Meeting ID: 867 7248 2744
Passcode: 108653

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86772482744?pwd=CvBCue5XqxazLxLyiajFa5BStgMsnb.1>

Help David Lee to send essential Medical Aid to Ukraine: on 8

September 2025, David Lee will be delivering a 4x4 vehicle and essential medical aid to Ukraine, and is raising funds for essential winter tyres and medical supplies like CAT tourniquets and trauma dressings. Use the QR code or go to <https://gofund.me/2b2bd499>



Our sponsored charity this month is **Emmaus**, which supports people to work their way out of homelessness, providing purpose as well as a stable home for as long as someone needs it. In the past 26 years Emmaus Brighton & Hove has provided a unique solution to combatting homelessness to over 1,500 Companions (residents) many of whom have complex needs.

A one-day symposium exploring mindfulness, heartfulness, and compassion-based practices is being held on 4 July at the Friends Meeting House, 9am-5pm. Tickets £20 (or £30 with donation). Fr Chris is taking part in a panel discussions, so speak to him for more

information, or visit <http://sussexmindfulnesscentre.nhs.uk/event/mindfulness-heartfulness-and-compassion-multi-faith-day>.

Tom Lyttleton died on 20 February 2025. Tom was a longstanding member of our congregation, dividing his time between Brighton, London and Sri Lanka. He was also a Master in Modern Languages at Eton College, teaching French and German, from 1968 until 1994. There will be a memorial service for Tom in the College Chapel at Eton on Friday, 3 October at 2.30pm. If you would like to attend, please email Fr Dominic who will make the booking details available to you. *May Tom rest in peace, and rise in glory.*

Saturday 26th July 10am Friends of St. Nicholas AGM. Meet for Coffee at 10am The AGM will end promptly at 10:30 and afterwards there will be a talk by our local historian Brian Ogilvie entitled 'Vanished Voices: the fishermen of old St Nicholas'. Over the course of more than 500 years, Brighton grew from a small village to one of the main fishing towns in the south of England, with most people employed in fishing and allied trades. However, over time, the trade declined for a number of reasons and now no longer exists. Brian Ogilvie tells the story of this rise and fall.

Of your charity, please pray for (names for inclusion in the prayers can be sent to the Parish Office):

The sick: Brenda Parkes, Joy Adfield, Lesley Claridge, David Bishop, Kate Maynard, Peter Burton, Elizabeth Yates, Liz Davies, Pauline Messum, John Lawson, Terry Potter, Bob & Jean Priestley, Harmony Barnes, Miles MacDonald, Cliff, Peter Holloway, Toni Lewis, Daphne, Janet and Chris Steele, Doreen Lloyd, Sylvia Reid, Michael Le Garst, Fr Bill Wilson, Jane Gray.

Recently departed: Carole Potter, Grace Bell, Anne Des Pres, Alison Hawgood.

At their year's mind: Alan Dorman, Marion Legget, Edward Belcher, Benjamin Aldridge, Guy Roddon, Payare Singh, Jai Burgess, Nicholas van den Branden, Peter Guggenheim, Noel Bell, Joan Dunn, Colin Welfare, Linda George, Ronald Smith.

THE EUCHARIST

We stand to sing the opening hymn:

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;

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 celebrant introduces the liturgy and we 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 we respond: **Amen.***

We sing the Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy):

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

We sing the Gloria in excelsis:

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

Glory to God in the highest,

and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks,

we praise you for your glory.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

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;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.
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 Father.

Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest.

The celebrant prays the Collect and we respond: Amen

*We sit for the Scripture readings. At the end of the reading (Galatians 6.1-16) read by Michael Fisher we respond: **Thanks be to God.***

We sing Psalm 66.1-8, led by Marion Dunmore.



1 *Be joyful* in God, • all • the earth;
sing the glory of his name; sing the glory • of • his • praise.

**2 Say to God, 'How awesome are • your • deeds!
Because of your great strength your enemies shall • bow be•fore • you.**

3 'All the earth shall • wor•ship you,
sing to you, sing praise • to • your • name.'

**4 Come now and behold the • works • of God,
how wonderful he is in his dealings with • hu • man • kind.**

5 He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed • through • on foot;
there we re•joiced • in • him.

**6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the • na•tions;
let no rebel rise • up a•gainst • him.**

7 Bless our God, O you • peo•ples;
make the voice of his • praise to • be • heard,

**8 Who holds our • souls • in life
and suffers not our • feet • to • slip.**

We stand, joining in the acclamation to herald the gospel (Luke 10.1-11, 16-20).

Alleluia alleluia alleluia ... **Alleluia alleluia alleluia.**

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.

We stand together to declare our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

We sit or stand for the prayers of intercession, led by Jo Baker, and respond:

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer** *or*: 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.**

Donations are collected for the work of St Nicholas'. Contactless donations can be made after the Eucharist at the door, or you can donate online using the QR code. If you would like to make a regular donation, please pick up a standing order form from the cupboard by the main door and return it to the parish priest, or Churchwarden.



King of glory, King of peace,

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 might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper.

The mystery of faith. **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

The celebrant continues the prayer and we respond:

Amen! 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:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

People: **Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

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 booklet in your hands. If you are unable to stand, please let a sidesperson know, and Communion will be brought to you.

The Ministry of Healing – the laying on of hands with prayer and anointing – is offered in the Lady Chapel. If you would like to receive this, please go through to the chapel after you receive Communion or a blessing.

Communion anthem : Peace on Earth – trad., arr. Weaver.

We remain seated to sing.

Just as I am, without one plea

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

We sit for notices and stand for the Blessing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

*The celebrant gives the blessing and we respond: **Amen!***

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

*People: **Thanks be to God.***

We remain standing to sing:

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;

Voluntary: Trumpet tune in D major – John Stanley

All are most welcome to stay for refreshments in church.

This Week at St Nicholas'

St Nicholas' is open throughout the week. Everyone is welcome – why not drop in?

Sunday 6	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	8.00am Eucharist (BCP) <i>Prayer intention at 8.00 & 10.30: People of the parish</i> 10.00am Matins (Lady Chapel) 10.30am Sung Eucharist with Ministry of Healing
Monday 7	Feria	*No mass today* 6.45-9.00pm Narcotics Anonymous 7.30-10.00pm Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday 8	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer) <i>St. Paul's School</i> 6.30-10.00pm Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal
Wednesday 9	Feria	2.00pm Recital: Emily Jennings and Archie Bonham (soprano and piano): A Treasury of Song 3.00pm Eucharist <i>Doctors, nurses and carers in Brighton and Hove</i> 7.00-10.00pm – Five Rhythms Meditative Dance
Thursday 10	Feria	5.30pm Eucharist followed by Silent Prayer until 6.30pm <i>Homeless and vulnerably housed people in our city</i>
Friday 11	S. Benedict	12.00pm Eucharist <i>Anglican Benedictines</i>
Saturday 12	Feria	12.00pm Eucharist <i>All who work in central Brighton</i> 12.30-3.00pm Open Church
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