

Sunday 20th February 2022 – 2nd Sunday before Lent

WELCOME TO THE UNITED BENEFICE OF ST NICHOLAS GODSTONE,
ST STEPHEN SOUTH GODSTONE AND ST JOHN BLINDLEY HEATH

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 20th February 2022:- St Stephen's, South Godstone – Communion Service & on YouTube **9 am**

Sunday 20th February 2022:- Communion Service at St John's Church **10.30 am**

Sunday 20th February 2022:- Communion Service at St Nicholas Church **10.30 am**

Saturday 26th February 2022:- Afternoon Café at St Stephen's to share memories of Daphne Hodge whilst enjoying tea & cakes & browsing stalls **2.30 – 4.30pm**

Sunday 27th February 2022:- St Stephen's, South Godstone – Communion Service & on YouTube **9 am**

Sunday 27th February 2022:- Morning Prayer at St John's Church **10.30 am**

Sunday 27th February 2022:- Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church **10.30 am**

Monday 28th February 2022:- Funeral for Daphne Hodge at Surrey & Sussex Crematorium **2.15 pm**

PRAYER LIST

St Nicholas' – Daphne Hughes, David Collins, Roger Bedford, Stan Rodgers, Felicity Gresser.

St John's - Hugh Hunter, Janie Reed, Basil McFarland, Nicky Tredennick, Daphne Faulkner, Fiona Mackenzie, The Benefice link with Rutendo in Zimbabwe

St Stephen's- Alan Kearton

PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYER, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

DAPHNE HODGE

NOTICES

During the next weeks, we will be continuing with the internet services on Sundays at **9.00 am**.

Other services as shown under Dates for Diary.

Masks are required at this time when attending Services in Church

FOODBANK UPDATE

The Foodbank at St Matthew's, Redhill remains very busy, supporting about 110 families a week. The ending of the Furlough scheme and the reduction in Universal Credit has probably increased the need.

Donations can be left at The Rectory

There is a shopping list on <https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/shopping-list> which will tell you the items that are needed most. Please NO perishable food, out of date food, alcohol or medicines.

Most needed items THIS week:-

Noodles, Instant Mash, Longlife Milk, Juice, Ketchup.

Please also consider donating money instead of food as this enables stocks to be topped up as needed. Details are on the Foodbank website.

Please contact Liz Windridge for more information email liz@godstonebenefice.org.uk

LENT COURSE – Lent Study House Groups will start on **Monday March 7th** and continue for the following 4 Mondays.

The afternoon group will meet at Underhills Cottage **2 – 3.30 pm** and an evening group at 18 Bell Meadow **7.30 - 9.00 pm**.

The study booklet is called Superstar, written by Revd David Wilbourne. We studied one of his courses on a previous occasion and found it both interesting and helpful. I think it would be a good preparation for Easter, so why not give a house group a try? No previous experience necessary. Please ask me if you would like to know more. **Rita 01883 743032.**

All enquiries concerning Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Home Visits and Home Communion to:
Revd Peter O'Connell (contact details above)

Items for this news sheet to Philippa March email benefice@godstone.net
godstonebenefice.org.uk



St Nicholas Church, Godstone

The Collect

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Liturgy of the Word

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; to you that answer prayer shall vows be paid. To you shall all flesh come to confess their sins; when our misdeeds prevail against us, you will purge them away. Happy are they whom you choose and draw to your courts to dwell there. We shall be satisfied with the blessings of your house, even of your holy temple. With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas, O hope of all ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. In your strength you set fast the mountains and are girded about with might. You still the raging of the seas, the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples. Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels; the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise. You visit the earth and water it; you make it very plenteous. The river of God is full of water; you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth. You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase. You crown the year with your goodness and the hills be girded with joy. May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing.

Psalms 65

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel

Please remain standing for the Gospel Reading

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord**

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; and they ceased, and there was calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

Luke 8.22-25

Post Communion

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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ON 7TH MAY, PETER WILL BE SKYDIVING
to raise funds for the Group B Strep Support Charity – this infection is the leading cause of infant mortality.

You can sponsor him at:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/revpeteroconnell>

GARDEN PLANTS FROM SALLY!

– she tells us that as there is no return to Café Connect in the near future, She will take orders by phone or email (details below) and will kindly deliver them to our homes as last year or they can be collected from her nursery in Felbridge by arrangement.

Sally says that there will be other plants available such as Sweet Pea and Vegetable plants.

Do contact her to find out the up to date list of plants now available

**Danecourt Nurseries, 81 Copthorne Road,
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