

Sunday 27th March 2022 – MOTHERING SUNDAY

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 27th March 2022 – MOTHERING SUNDAY

Holy Communion (BCP) at St Nicholas Church 9am

All Age Service at St Stephen's Church 10.30 am

Morning Prayer at St John's Church 10.30 am

Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

Thursday 31st March 2022:- Funeral at St Nicholas Church – Mrs Sarah (Sadie) Reid - followed by committal at Godstone Burial Ground 12 noon

Saturday 2nd April 2022:- Café Connect at St Nicholas Youth Centre for the Ukraine Appeal 10.30 am – 12.30

Saturday 2nd April 2022:- Lent Lunch in St John's Church Hall. (£5) – soup & roll - with proceeds to Lent appeal. All most welcome. 12 – 2 pm

Sunday 3rd April 2022:- Holy Communion Service (BCP) at St Nicholas Church 9 am

Sunday 3rd April 2022:- Holy Communion Service at St John's Church 10.30 am

Sunday 3rd April 2022:- Family Communion Service at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

Tuesday 5th April 2022: Coffee & Company (new drop-in coffee morning) St Stephen's Church 10am – noon

Saturday 9th April 2022:- Wedding at St John's Church – Claire Howard & Neil Fuhrmann 1 pm

Tuesday 12th April 2022:- Funeral at St Nicholas Church – Mrs Jane Cameron - followed by committal at Godstone Burial Ground. 1 pm

Tuesday 19th April 2022: Funeral St Nicholas Church – Eric Smith followed by committal Godstone Burial Ground 2 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, Nicki Butler & husband Danny, The Benefice link with Rutendo in Zimbabwe
St Stephen's- Alan Kearton

PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYER, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Mrs Sarah (Sadie) Reid

Mrs Jane Cameron

Mr Eric Smith

Kathleen Puttick

NOTICE

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

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:-

Rice, Tin Spaghetti, Oil, Meat (incl. Hot Dogs)
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

St Johns Church are starting up a singing group which is open to all age groups. This is to be based at St Johns and led by George their organist. They are open to suggestions as to what they will sing. Please contact Jill on trew.2011@btinternet.com or trevor.nightingale@btinternet.com

Friday 29th April 2022:- Skittles Evening at St John's Church Hall including Fish & Chips (£10) - bring your own drink. All most welcome. Please contact Joan Wall on wall858@btinternet.com for tickets or Trevor Nightingale 07739100857
7pm

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

God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful: watch over us and hold us all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

First Reading

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said.

Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes'. So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water'.

Exodus 2.1-10

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 John
Glory to you, O Lord**

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

John 19.25b-27

Post Communion

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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ON 7TH MAY, REVD 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>

OR - There are sponsorship forms in the churches for this now as well.

– 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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