

# Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 – Dedication 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 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021:-** St Stephen's, South Godstone, Communion Service & on YouTube 9 am

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021:-** Communion Service at St John's Church 10.30 am

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021:-** Communion Service at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021:-** Baptism at St Nicholas Church – Charlie Cook 12.30 pm

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** St Stephen's DCC at St Stephen's Church (Zoom available on request) 10.30 am

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** South Godstone Crafters at St Stephen's Church 2 pm – 5 pm

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** St Stephen's, South Godstone, Communion Service & on YouTube 9 am

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** Communion Service at St John's Church 10.30 am

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** Morning Prayer at St Nicholas Church 10.30 am

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** Funeral for Ian Garner at St Nicholas Church 11.00 am

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021:-** PCC at St Stephen's Church (zoom available on request) 8 pm

## PRAYER LIST

**St Nicholas'** – Daphne Hughes, David Collins, Roger Bedford, Pat Ruthven

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

**PLEASE HOLD IN YOUR PRAYER, THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:-**

**CHARLES BYERS  
IAN GARNER**

**DOUG RUTHVEN  
DIANE NUTLEY**

## 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 still 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 will probably increase 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 Please NO perishable food, out of date food, alcohol or medicines.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:-

Tinned Soup, Tinned Spaghetti, Baked Beans, Tinned Fruit, Peanut Butter.

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](mailto:liz@godstonebenefice.org.uk)

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING ON Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October from 10.30 to 12.30 at Felicity & Paul Gresser's house - 5 Dumville Drive, Godstone. RH9 8NY

There will be tea and coffee with biscuits for donations. Cakes to buy and a Raffle.

If you cannot attend but would like to donate please go to Felicity's Just Giving page – [www.justgiving.com/Felicity-Coffee](http://www.justgiving.com/Felicity-Coffee)

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](mailto:benefice@godstone.net)  
[godstonebenefice.org.uk](http://godstonebenefice.org.uk)



St Nicholas Church, Godstone

## **READINGS**

### **The Collect**

Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer: we praise you for the many blessings you have given to those who worship you here: and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you, and, being filled with the Holy Spirit, may become a living table acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **The Liturgy of the Word**

Jacob came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching in heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the Lord stood beside him and said, 'I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place-and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on top of it.

**Genesis 28.11-18**

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**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **Prayer after Communion**

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **PARKING AT NICHOLAS CHURCH**

Please could people park respectfully and thoughtfully when they park in Church Lane when attending services at St Nicholas Church.

We appreciate that the lane is narrow, but emergency services **must** have easy access at all times. Many thanks.

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### **GARDEN PLANTS FROM SALLY!**

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– 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,  
Felbridge RH19 2PB. 01342 326542.  
[sallyhudson81@gmail.com](mailto:sallyhudson81@gmail.com)**

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