

WELCOME

We are very pleased to welcome you if you are a visitor or newcomer to the church. If you'd like to, please make yourself known to the sidesperson or a churchwarden. We use a variety of liturgy. There is a T loop in the church for the benefit of people with hearing aids.

There are toys, a WC and changing facilities, which you can use at any time, in the vestry opposite the entrance.

READINGS

Acts 1.1-11

1 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning² until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.³ After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.⁴ While staying^[a] with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. 'This', he said, 'is what you have heard from me;⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with^[b] the Holy Spirit not many days from now.'⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, 'Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?'⁷ He replied, 'It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority.⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.¹⁰ While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them.¹¹ They said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.'

Luke 24.44-end

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.'⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,⁴⁶ and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah^[a] is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.⁴⁸ You are witnesses^[a] of these things.⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.'⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them.⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.^[a]⁵² And they worshipped him, and^[a] returned to Jerusalem with great joy;⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.^[a]

NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

Mon 30th May

9am Morning Prayer.

Wed 1st June

9.30am Holy Communion at St Nicholas.

Followed by coffee and cake.

9pm Compline live on FaceBook.

JUBILEE EVENTS

Saturday 4th June

Garden Party.

11am – 2.30pm at the Vicarage.

BBQ, face painting, crafts.

Please bring a pudding to share.

Sunday 5th June

6pm at St Nicholas.

Choral Evensong for the Jubilee.

NEXT SUNDAY 5TH JUNE SERVICES

Pentecost

9am Taize Communion

10.30am Green Church

The activity at Green Church this month is helping at the allotments. If you have them, bring a trowel and gardening gloves.

6pm Choral Evensong

CONTACT DETAILS

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Please note Alison's working hours:

- Monday 09:30 to 13:00
- Tuesday 09:30 to 12.30
- Thursday 09:30 to 13:00

Save the dates:

Saturday 18th June

Music for a summer evening.

6pm at St Nicholas.

Free entry and interval refreshments.

Retiring collection for the Divya Shanthi Trust.

Saturday 25th June 10am – 1pm

The Bible in the Ashmolean Museum

Guided tour led James Greig.

£10 per person.

Contact: zenasheritagetours@gmail.com

Details: <https://www.zenasheritagetours.com/>

News from Divya Shanthi in Bangalore

Colleen's health continues to improve after a very severe illness when she was in intensive care though she is still quite frail. The Nephrologist is very happy with her progress and told her that God's healing hand was on her. The monsoon has arrived with huge floods. Naveen, a social worker and member of the pastoral team, organised groups of young people and helped clean up hundreds of houses. May is expected to be the wettest in history and we are organising teams in several areas where the poor live, clearing storm water drains and cleaning up flooded homes. We will also find local resources to help repair damaged roofs. Please pray for Sindhu in the final year of her BA. She leads the youth fellowship and will be baptised on Pentecost Sunday.

You can find Divya Shanthi Mission Support on Facebook at [facebook.com/DSMScharity](https://www.facebook.com/DSMScharity).

GOODBYE TO ALEX

Dear everyone at St Nicholas and St Thomas,

Thank you to everyone for the welcome into the churches over the past eight months, it's amazing how the time has gone so fast! It has been a real joy to be part of the church community during my first year of training. Having such a welcoming church whilst in a new area with a new family and entering a new phase of life has been really supportive for myself and Bailey. Although we're moving on as my training progresses, we will be thankful for how everyone here has helped us settle in and it will go with us in the future.



Warmest thanks and blessings,
Alex, Bailey & Zoe

A LEAVING PRESENT FOR ANDY GOSLER

If anyone would like to contribute to Andy's leaving present, please pass your envelope (clearly marked **for Andy's leaving present**) to one of the churchwardens or to Geoff Hale.

A PICTURE ALBUM FOR ANDY GOSLER

We would like to give Andy a pictorial record of his time at St Nic's. If you have a digital photo of Andy, taken during his time with us, which you would like to see included, please attach it to an email and send to Judith Piggott via judith.piggott25@gmail.com

PLEASE NOTE

This Pew Sheet is also available on the website: www.stnicholasmarston.org.uk



29TH MAY 2022
Ascension Day

TODAY'S SERVICES

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Led by Revd Skye Denno
Epistle: Acts 1.1
Gospel: Mark 16.4
(pp 144-146 in the BCP)

10am Holy Communion

Led by Revd Skye Denno
Epistle: Acts 1.1-11 *
Gospel: Luke 24.44-end *

*see below

Setting:	Said responses
Processional:	Hail the day that sees him rise CP167
Gradual:	The head that once was crowned with thorns CP172
Offertory	Alleluia, sing to Jesus CP278
Communion:	Reflective organ music
Recessional:	Christ triumphant every reigning CP398