

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'd be delighted if you'd join us for coffee in the church hall after the service. We use a variety of liturgy. There is a T loop in the church for the benefit of people with hearing aids and a heater under each pew which you can switch on if it is chilly. There is a WC and changing facilities in the vestry opposite the entrance which you can use at any time. Find more at www.stnicholasmarston.org.uk

MATTHEW 17: 1-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!' When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Get up and do not be afraid.' And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, 'Tell no one

about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.'

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLE

Our roll needs to be revised before our annual meeting. If you are already one it, you don't need to do anything. If you regularly attend St Nicholas, we hope you will join so that you can have a say at our annual meeting. Please complete an application form which you can find in church or on the web site and return it to Geoff Hale. If you attend two churches, or you attend one and live in the parish of another, you can be on both electoral rolls. The deadline is Saturday 8 April.

NEWS FROM DIVYA SHANTHI

Children in residential care have stayed healthy and safe. Those struggling with their studies are receiving substantial coaching support. Five college girls are now in a transition home created for them. They budget, cook, go to college and enjoy some perks like mobile phones. They have suddenly grown up and are doing very well to our relief and delight. Colleen is now well enough to meet with children every evening when they sing, share, laugh and enjoy special treats! We are very encouraged with growth in numbers in our spiritual work and also the growth in maturity among our church congregations, particularly in our prayer lives.

Please note that you can download the pew sheet each week to your phone from our website: stnicholasmarston.org.uk

NEXT WEEK

Monday 20 February

9 am Morning prayer at St Nicholas

ASH Wednesday 22 February

9.30 am Holy Communion & Ashes at St Nicholas - quiet & reflective.

9.30 am Babies & Toddlers

6.30 pm Holy Communion & Ashes at St Nicholas – including hymns.

Friday 24 February

9 am Morning prayer at St Nicholas
Confirmation & Faith Exploring Course (Living as a Christian)

7-8 pm 9-18 years old at the Vicarage

8-9 pm 18+ on Zoom

Saturday 25 February

7-9 pm Pulse Youth Group 11+

Sunday 26 February

8 am BCP HC Service at St Nicholas

10 am Holy Communion at St Nicholas with guest speaker Ruth Wilde, National Co-ordinator for Inclusive Church

LIVE streamed straight onto YouTube

Our Music Licences: CCLI Licence # 493757 ; One License 401285-M

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTER VACANCY

We are looking for a Children & Youth Minister to join the team. IS THIS YOU? – For more information please go to our website: stnicholasmarston.org.uk

Loving God, Loving Community.

If you think that this part-time, 3 year salaried post is something that you would be interested in please contact Revd Skye on 01865 202988.

If you know anyone that you think would be interested, please mention this to them.

PLEASE PRAY in your quiet prayers for our Children & Youth Minister vacancy to be filled as soon as possible.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday 3rd March at 2 pm in United Reformed Church. Refreshments Available – All Welcome.

OUR LINK PARTNERS

About once a quarter, we receive news letters from our partners Andy and Kati Walsh in Brazil, Pippa and Toby Vokuhl in Nepal and Vinay and Colleen Samuel in India. They contain many items for praise and prayer. If you would like to receive a copy, please tell Geoff Hale.

CONFIRMATION & FAITH EXPLORING COURSES

Living as a Christian - continue on Friday 24th February from 7-8 pm for 9 – 18 years at The Vicarage. On Zoom from 8 – 9 pm for 18+. (Meeting ID: 879 4461 5840. Passcode: FAITH)

BLESSING BAGS – DONATIONS NEEDED PLEASE

We really need A4 gift bags and any unused/unopened toiletry items with which to fill them. Toiletry items such as:

- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Bubble bath
- Shower gel
- Pull up nappies
- Sanitary towels
- Deodorant
- Shampoo
- Washing detergent

Please drop off donations at the font in St Nicholas Church.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

This is a small informal group and meets in the Church Hall on the second Friday of each month from 10-11.15am. It is most likely to benefit those who have been bereaved in the last two years but may also be suitable for others. If you are interested, please contact Eileen Palayiwa on 01865 725423

CONTACT DETAILS

Vicar: Skye Denno 202988

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Please note that Tuesday is the Vicar's Day off.

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Debbie Bailey is usually in the office from 9.30am to 2.30pm on Tuesdays & Thursdays.



19th February 2023

The Sunday Next Before Lent

TODAY'S SERVICES

8 am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

LIVE streamed straight onto YouTube

Led by Revd Stephanie Bullock

Preacher Revd Stephanie Bullock

Gospel Luke 18: 31-43

(Pages 83 – 84 in the BCP)

10 am HOLY COMMUNION

at ST THOMAS, ELSFIELD

Led by Revd Skye Denno

Preacher Revd Skye Denno

Gospel Matthew 17: 1-9

4 pm CONTEMPORARY SERVICE IN THE HALL

with MUSIC BAND