



ST NICOLAS NEWSLETTER

Sunday 25 July 2010 - Trinity 8

James the Apostle

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A Warm Welcome to St Nicolas

If you are new to this church, or a visitor, we hope that you feel at home during your visit. If we can help you in any way please introduce yourself to one of the Welcomers, identified by their badges. Members of the prayer support team are available to pray with individuals at the front of the south (right hand) aisle during morning services. At the end of services they will be in the Lady Chapel. Refreshments are served in the church hall between 10:15 and 10:55 am every Sunday. The St Nicolas Lending Library is also open during that time.

Before the service begins please pause for a quiet moment – and ask God to make himself real to you and to those around you as we gather in worship together. Pray that our time together will change us and equip us to live for God this week.

Large print copies available — please ask a Sidesperson

8:00 am Holy Communion (CW)

Celebrant: Murray Woolnough

Readings: Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19] (p.1183)

Luke 11:1-13 (p.1042)

9:15 am Morning Prayer

Leader: Jane Sutton

Preacher: Jane Sutton

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Readers: Jo and Ian Macdonald

Intercessions led by John Freeman

Children 0-13 years (Early Birds) go out for part of the service to their own activity in the hall.

11:00 am All Age Family Communion with Baptism

Theme: Gods Heroes: Joshua

Leader: Team Murray Woolnough and Ric Coward

Speaker: Sarah Alexander

Reading: Joshua 1:1-9 (p.216)

Reader: Rosie Davis

We welcome the family and friends of Scott Price and Finn Watrus

A Crèche is available in the upper Hall for 0-3½ year olds. No J Team or Pathfinders.

6:00 pm Holy Communion (CW)

Celebrant: Murray Woolnough

Preacher: Murray Woolnough

Readings: Jeremiah 26:1-15 (p.786)

Mark 1:14-20 (p.1002)

Readers: Frank and Madge Hancock

6:30 pm Evening Worship

Big Bible Themes - Creation

Leader: Team Rachael Obin

Speaker: Paul Reisbach

Reading: Genesis 1:1-2, 24-31 (p.3)

Collect

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and
govern both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection,
both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

Sharing the Life of Jesus Today

This week

Home Groups meet most evenings and there are some daytime groups. Please contact the Church Office if you would like more details. Tel: (01635) 47018.

Monday 26 July

2.30 pm St Nicolas Fellowship in the Church Hall

7:30 pm Bell ringing practice

Wednesday 28 July

10:30 am Daybreak - A Group for Parents with Young Children.

Picnic in Victoria Park: Bring a picnic and meet by the playground at 10:30am
(in St. Nicolas Church Hall if raining)

Thursday 29 July

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Coffee Morning in aid of the Bible Society

10:30 am Service of Holy Communion in Church

Friday 30 July

6:30 pm Junior Choir practice

7:00 pm Adult Choir practice

Items in Hall or Church unless specified.

Dates for your diary

Installation and Licensing of Rev. Dr. Mohan Uddin

Rev. Dr. Mohan Uddin will be installed and licensed as Team Vicar of St John's, Newbury on Wednesday 4th August; the service will start at 7.30pm and there will be refreshments afterwards at Fairclose. Members of St Nicolas' are invited to attend. Invitation forms are available at the back of the church; if you'd like to go, please return a form to Viv Masson, so that St John's can gauge the numbers for catering. *Ian Park*

St Nicolas Fellowship

Monday 26th July in the Church Hall at 2.30pm. Talk on 'Bomber Command' by Leslie Weaver.

Upendo Group – Gospel Choir from Tanzania

This choir is singing in St. Nic's on Tuesday 27th July @ 7:30pm. Cost £5. Please join the Newbury International Friendship Group for this concert. Contact and tickets from Jane Sutton – 36466.

Anyone for golf?

St Nicolas have been invited to enter a team in a triangular golf match competing against teams from St Mary's Speen and St George's Wash Common, to be played at Newbury and Crookham Golf Club on Thursday 29th July. Tee-off at 2 pm. Should you wish to be considered for selection to the team, please contact Ron Angell on 01635 580097 or email: ron-sue.angell@newbury.net as soon as possible.

Picnics!

What could be nicer on a warm summer's day than a picnic? Following the good time we have had recently meeting together over lunch, we are planning two informal bring your own picnics over the summer, following the morning services. The first one will be at Northcroft on 8th August, and the second one will be in the Church grounds on 22nd August - more details nearer the time, but please pop the dates in your diary!

Christian Aid Coffee Morning

Please come and support our Coffee Morning Thursday 5th August in the Hall between 10am and noon. We shall also be grateful for tombola prizes, cakes, bric a brac and books.

The Newbury Christian Aid Committee

David Stone's Installation 10:30am Sunday 5 September 2010, Coventry Cathedral

David formally takes up his new role at Coventry Cathedral in September, and we are sure many at St Nicolas will wish to go to his installation service to support him. We therefore intend to hire a coach - if you are interested in coming, please let us know as soon as possible so we can book an appropriately sized vehicle(s).

Exact times of departure / return to be confirmed, but likely to be some time between 8am – 8.30am departure from Newbury. Likely to cost £10-£12 per person, but once we know numbers we will be able to confirm the exact amount. (NB. If cost is an issue, please don't let this put you off – just have a quiet word with one of us; we are sure something can be worked out.)

To book a place (first come, first served!) please let the Office know.

Nic & Val

Save the Date! 25th September 2010 (Evening) - St Nic's Safari Supper

Join in some food and fellowship in each other's homes, ending with desserts and coffee in the hall. Please consider hosting a starter or a main course, or providing a dessert. See Helen or Jonathan Dean for details, or e-mail jdean65@talktalk.net.

For your information

It's a hat-trick!

Following hot on the heels of David and James leaving St Nicolas to move to pastures new, you may have read that another member of staff, John Davies our Pastoral Adviser for Older People since early 2007, will be leaving soon. John retires at the end of August and we wish him well for the future. We'd like to show our thanks and good wishes in a more tangible way, and hope that you may care to join with us.

We have started a collection for John, to get him a leaving present to remember St Nicolas by, and would welcome donations. If you would like to contribute, please put it and a note to confirm it is for John's collection in an envelope addressed to the Churchwardens, and if you are enclosing a cheque, please make it payable to "St Nicolas Churchwardens". Thank you,

Nic & Val

The Leprosy Mission

A big thank you to everyone who supported the jam sale last Sunday 18th July, between David Parry's interesting and inspiring talks, about the work of TLM. In excess of £60 was raised for the mission.

A plea for small used jars, with lids if possible please, eg. spice jars, baby food or small jam jars. They will be used for jams for the housebound at harvest. Thank you,

Rosemary Collins (47113)

Sharing the Life of Jesus Today

For your information

Magazine. The July/August magazine is now available for 40p. It includes news from Marion Burke, an update from the Biojemms charity in Uganda and a prayer diary for both months. Thanks to everyone who has contributed or helped with this issue.

'Listen Again' for sermons

Those of you who have a broadband internet connection will probably know that you can download the recordings of sermons from St Nicolas' web site (provided I keep the links up to date!). Just go to www.st-nicolas-newbury.org/sermons-audio.htm

For the less geeky among us, we can also supply recordings to take home and listen to on your home audio system; recordings of a (more or less) whole service or one or more sermons are available on CDs (or if you're still locked into the 1970s) cassettes. The cost is £1 for a CD or cassette - just come to the library table between the 9.15 and 11.00 services and let the library staffers know what you want. Besides the recordings of individual services or sermons, we can provide recordings of sermon series; so far we have David Stone's series on "Basic Christianity", and the multi-talented staff team series on "Prayer" and "The tip of the iceberg", and I'm capturing the current series on "Gifts". These sermon series spread over several CDs or cassettes; the cost is £1 per CD or cassette. If you'd like a recording of a sermon series, let me know and I can tell you how much it will cost.

Ian Park

Postcards of the Church If you're looking for a nice card to send to a friend we have some beautiful postcards of St Nicolas Church on sale at the back of church next to the magazines. There are four views of the church on the card - 25p each or 5 for £1

This week's editor: Lesley Park

Items for Next Week's Newsletter

Please ensure they reach the office by 10 am on Thursday. Keep items short. Items will normally be kept for two weeks. Do check email messages have been received.

Next Sunday: 1 August - Trinity 9

8:00 am Holy Communion (BCP)
9:15 am Holy Communion (CW)
11:00 am All-Age Family Service
6:00 pm Evensong (BCP)
6:30 pm Evening Worship

St Nicolas Church, Newbury - Staff Team

Rector:	Vacancy	Tel: (01635)	47018
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