



St Nicolas  
NEWBURY

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## Newsletter Sunday 23rd July 2017 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

### A Warm Welcome to St. Nicolas:

We are so glad you have joined us. If this is your first time here please introduce yourself to one of our host team who would love to welcome you personally.

**8:00am Holy Communion**

**Leader:** Will Hunter Smart

**Readings:** Romans 8:18-27  
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

**10.00am Holy Communion**

**Theme:** Praying our praise

**Leader:** Will Hunter Smart  
**Preacher:** Joy Mawdesley  
**Reading:** Psalm 150

**6:00pm Benefice Holy Communion,  
St Mary's Speen**

**Leader:** Margaret Yates

**Readings:** Romans 6:3-11 and  
Matthew 5:20-26

**6:00pm Contemporary Worship (Hall)**

**Theme:** The Fruit of the Spirit

**Leader:** Will Briggs  
**Preacher:** Will Hunter Smart  
**Reading:** Galatians 5:16-26

### Children and Youth

**As it is the summer holidays there  
is no children's work today.**

**The children and youth will join us in  
the Church for the entire service.**

*As StNicsKids and Pathfinders come in  
they will be handed an activity book  
which links with the theme of our  
service this morning.*

*A 'pop-up' crèche is available at the  
back of the church for 0-4yrs with their  
parents.*

### Collect for the day

Merciful God, you have prepared for  
those who love you such good things as  
pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward  
you that we, loving you in all things and  
above all things, may obtain your  
promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
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. Amen.

## *Dates for your diary*

**Holiday Club Celebration Service & BBQ** Join us next Sunday as we celebrate our week of Holiday Club in the service; followed by a church BBQ afterwards. The morning service will be starting at 11am. For more details see separate flyer. Looking forward to celebrating with you!

**No Thursday's Holy Communion Service** There will not be a Holy Communion Service this coming Thursday 27 July due to the holiday club. Please pick up a flyer from the back if you would like more information. All back to normal on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August.

**No Thursday Coffee Morning** There isn't a Thursday Coffee Morning on 27 July due to the Holiday Club. All back to normal on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August when our charity will be Christian Aid.

**Benefice Evensong** There will be no Benefice Evensong services over August. The service will start again with Choral Evensong on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**St Nicolas Fellowship Summer Outing on Monday 24 July** We will visit St Bartholomew at Lower Basildon, an old church which dates from the late thirteenth century. This will be followed with tea provided by church members. The Volunteer Bureau minibus will leave from St Nic's at 2pm. If you would like a place on it, please phone Ann Gore, Tel: 40087.

*This outing will be our last event. The Fellowship will not continue into the Autumn. With much regret, the small committee no longer feel they can carry on, due to health problems and increasing family commitments. We would like to express our thanks to all who have supported and encouraged us over the past few years. Ann, Janet, Margaret, Mary and Rosemary.*

**Women's Day** Book to come on our St Nic's Women's Day on 14 October 2017 at Donnington Valley Hotel, 9am – 5pm. The day includes 3 x 1.5 hour sessions of teaching, worship and prayer and a choice of relaxing afternoon activities. The cost is £52 including tea/coffee on arrival and mid-morning, a buffet lunch and afternoon tea. Please pick up a booklet from the back for more detailed information.

## *For your information*

**Office opening hours next week** The office will be closed every morning next week. The Church and Hall will be closed to the public all week due to the Holiday Club equipment. The Church Office will be open from 2.30pm – 4pm each day. Any phone messages or emails will be checked daily, but please be patient with response times. Thank you.  
Mandy.

**Newsletter over the summer** This is just to let you know that there will be ONE newsletter over the summer which will cover Sunday 30 July through to 27 August. Any notices you wish to be in during that period will need to be with the office by the end of Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July and we will try to include them all. Notices for the 3 September newsletter will have to be with the office by the end of Wed 23 August. Thank you.

**Holiday Club** We have had a fantastic response to Holiday club with 60 kids signed up, so we are unable to accept any more applications. Please pray for the leaders, the children and for the many opportunities during next week to build relationships and create space for God to work in people's hearts.

**Churchyard Garden** Thank you to all who have contributed to the gardening in the churchyard over the past months. We were judged by Newbury in Bloom last week and await the results. Anyone wishing to get involved, have a chat with me, or email the church office ([office@st-nics.org](mailto:office@st-nics.org)). The next gardening session is booked for Saturday 9 September, so please get that date in your diary. We have had so many lovely comments and many more people passing through each day. Belinda & Viv.

**Greenham: One Hundred Years of War and Peace.** It is 20 years since the MOD sold the Greenham Common airbase and the ownership returned to local people. The Greenham Trust was formed to manage the airbase and now, for its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, is staging an outdoor, mass participation event and show about the history of the Common, and to celebrate giving £40 million in support to over 3,000 local community projects in that period. Hundreds of local people will join a professional cast and creative team to portray the extraordinary stories linked to Greenham Common. This exciting, free, large-scale community event takes place in the middle of the Common from 6.30 - 9.30pm. It tells the story of Greenham Common through the eyes of one woman, and generations of her family, and portrays the dramatic and historic moments of war that have overtaken the peaceful nature of the Common during the last century.

This outdoor event will have a festival feel with performances taking place across the central runway site, culminating in a grand finale show from 8.30-9.30pm. There is also a series of walks, talks and an exhibition linked to Greenham: One Hundred Years of War and Peace. To find out more about all the events and transport and travel arrangements visit [www.greenhamtrust.com](http://www.greenhamtrust.com).



★  
★ Leaders Training  
Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July

Holiday Club  
Tues 25<sup>th</sup> July - Fri 28<sup>th</sup> July

★ Please pray for our  
Holiday Club this week! ★

Please ensure that items for the  
Newsletter reach the office by  
10am Thursday Morning  
**No more than 80 words please!**

**Next Week: 30th July 2017**

**The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

8:00am Holy Communion

**11:00am** Holiday Club Celebration Service & BBQ

6:00pm Benefice Evensong, St Mary's Speen

6:00pm Contemporary Worship (in the hall)

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**Church Office normally open week days, 9:30 am - 4:00 pm.**

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