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Sunday 26 June 2022
2nd Sunday after Trinity



First Reading
Second Reading
Gospel Reading
Hymn Numbers:

I Kings 19:15-16, 19-end
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-end

110 Christ's is the world
798 We have a gospel to proclaim
521 My song is love unknown
329 I danced in the morning

This week	Bible Readings	Activities Home Group Week
Mon 27 June	Matthew 8:18-22	Tea & Tinies 2.30pm-3.30pm
Tues 28 June	Matthew 8:23-27	10am-12pm Board Games Café
Weds 29 June <i>Peter & Paul, Apostles</i>	Matthew 16:13-19	11am Service
Thurs 30 June	Matthew 9:1-8	Over 50's 2.15-4.15pm
Fri 1 July	Matthew 9:9-13	10am-12pm Community Coffee Morning
Sat 2 July	Matthew 9:14-17	



PRAYER

Prayer Chain Requests can be sent to office@stnicolas.org.uk

Collect: Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

A MORNING PRAYER

Oh God, enlighten my mind with truth;
Inflame my heart with love;
inspire my will with courage:
enrich my life with service.
Pardon what I have been;
sanctify what I am; order what I shall be
and thine shall be the glory
and mine the eternal salvation
through Jesus Christ my Lord.

Amen

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Please feel free to join our 6pm Prayer group every Sunday on [Zoom](#)
Meeting ID 89909944764

Notices



The **Readers Rota** for the next few months is being put together by **Jane Olney next week** so if you would like to be added to the list of Readers please let Jane or the Parish office know office@stnicolas.org.uk

If you would like a chat on the phone or to pray with someone or you need a prescription collecting or essential shopping our **Pastoral Care Team** will be pleased to hear from you. Please contact Jenny on 0118 926 8561 or email care@stnicolas.org.uk or phone Parish Office 0118 966 9080 and leave a message



TRAIDCRAFT

On **10 July Pam will be coming for her final Traidcraft stall** before she moves away. So don't miss your opportunity to stock up! She is putting us in touch with another seller so we will be able to continue to support Traidcraft. To have a look at their Summer catalogue go to :

<https://www.traidcraftshop.co.uk/traidcraft-catalogue>



Churchwardens Commissioning

Rev April and our three Churchwardens, Wendy Neale, Jane Olney and Julia Jones, attended the Archdeacon's Visitation this week were sworn in as Churchwardens for the next twelve months.

They make a great team and we are truly thankful for all they do for St Nics.

**CARE 4
CALAIS**

In the Thames valley we are supporting almost 1000 asylum seekers and refugees. They come from a number of countries most notably Afghanistan, Eritrea, Russia, Syria, Iran El Salvador and Sudan. We provide clothes, toiletries, shoes, friendship and assistance to integrate. And legal access – we are currently fighting the illegal deportations to Rwanda. For more details got to <https://care4calais.org/>

If you didn't see the list of items that we are collecting for Care 4 Calais at St Nics in last week's Sunday sheet, please contact the Parish office for a copy. Thank you for the donations we have received this week.

A message from Woodley

Foodbank

We hope you're well, and enjoying the warm weather.

This update from us, affirms the stark reality of the Economic Crisis, and world events have impacted everyone.

Sadly, we've seen a sharp increase in those who are requesting our ongoing help.

Given the rising costs of every day life, we are, like many Foodbank's nationally, also experiencing a reduction in donations.

This has culminated in little or no stock on many items that form a food parcel at our store.

It is with this in mind, we make a heartfelt plea once again, for the following items , if at all possible:

Sugar

Coffee

Pasta

Cereals

Pasta Sauce

Spaghetti (dried)

Noodles (incl Pot Noodles)

Tinned Vegetables (all types, incl potatoes)

Tinned pies (Fray Bentos Meat and Veg varieties)

Tinned fish

Tinned fruit

Tinned Soups (Veg and Meat)

Meat meals (tinned)

Custard - tinned and dried

Tinned Desserts

Long Life milk

Juice (cordial and long life)

Toothbrushes and toothpaste

Shampoo and Shower Gel

Deodorants (M&F)

Toilet Rolls

We really do appreciate every last item donated, it means so much to those that need it most. Warm regards, Woodley Foodbank

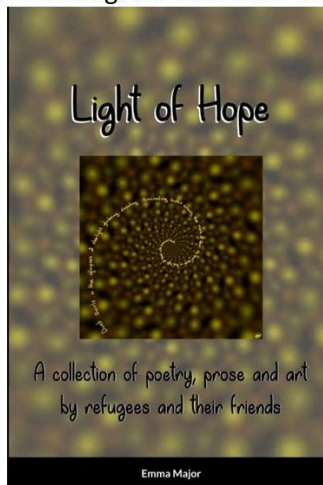


Artists for Ukraine in Earley

For the whole of July, Art Space in St Nicolas is supporting an exhibition of paintings given by local Artists for a donation to DEC Ukraine Appeal.



Please come and see the exhibition either during office hours at the centre or attend the special **open evening 9th July 7 – 9 pm** when not only will these paintings be sold through a secret auction, but there will be a book launch of **'Light of Hope'** in which Syrian refugee artists have written about their work in





Refugee Week 2022

We're urged to be a welcoming, hospitable community, but we live in a culture that can all too often feel hostile to the stranger. [Read a Refugee Week reflection from the Revd Liz Jackson](#) and [listen to her on BBC Radio](#).



Bishop Alan speaks to GB News about the refugee crisis

Following the letter signed by all of the Church of England bishops in the House of Lords, the Bishop of Buckingham explains to GB News why there should be 'a proper, British,

humanitarian response to the refugee crisis', and why the current government policy towards refugees is simply wrong. To watch the interview go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bI4mzJFNK4M>



We were thrilled this morning to see that the Guardian has reported the Oxford bishops' encouragement to include a pledge to care for creation ([based on the fifth mark of mission](#)), along with news of our £10m investment in clergy housing. Greenpeace are quoted in the piece:

“The Diocese of Oxford is moving away from fossil fuels, which is essential, but this liturgical change goes deeper,” said a spokesperson. “Today’s lesson is that, in a climate and nature emergency, you need to make environmental considerations central to your project right from the very beginning and keep them in mind the whole way through. That sounds very much like wisdom worth listening to.”

To read the Guardian article please go to <https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2022/jun/22/christians-commit-protecting-environment-oxford-diocese>

FIZZ & Sing

Love to Sing?
Looking for a new hobby?

JOIN THE
BARBÉRETTES FOR AN
EVENING OF SINGING
AND BUBBLES!

Wednesday 6th July 2022

7.45pm - 10pm

St Nicolas Church, Earley

Contact Jo on 07917 205605 for more
details or just come along!!



FREE FUN DAY - FOR ALL AGES

SATURDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER - HAMPSTEAD NORREYS

10AM - 5.30PM

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LIVING RAINFOREST
INFORMATIVE TALKS
NATURE & CONSERVATION ZONE
CHARITIES & LOCAL PROJECT ZONE
HEALTH AND WELLBEING ZONE
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