



Weekly News from  
St. Nicholas & St. Barnabas  
30th November 2025  
First Sunday of Advent



## JOINT BENEFICES SERVICE

At

St. Barnabas Church, Istead Rise

Rev. Simeon Communion Service

Prayers:

Jenny Douse

Readings:

Romans 13: 11-14 Peter Joyce

Matthew 24: 36-44 Nicola Fry

Coffees:

Pat E & Janet Luck

**Collect: Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.**



Please Pray for: all those mourning the loss of loved ones in our congregations. Healing and restoration for those who are suffering with ill health at present. Sustaining energy for all those who work within our churches to keep them running and the ministries they offer. For local, national, and international situations that need God's peaceful, compassionate, and just presence.

Please continue to bring any items to church for the food bank collections.

Many thanks

### Group Meetings & Clubs

#### Friends Café at St B's Tuesdays

10am-1.30pm. Last orders 1pm

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**St Nicholas 2-4 House Group. 11<sup>th</sup> Dec in members' homes. Sarah on 07792 947958.**

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**St.Bs Small Groups Worship: Prayer, Bible Exploration & Fellowship.**

Wed 7.30-9:00pm & Fri 1.45-3.15pm

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**Jenny's prayer group: St B's 8-9pm Third Monday in each month**

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**St.B's Welcome Club Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Dec 2-4pm**

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**Marigolds cleaners fortnightly Wednesdays 9.30am St Nicholas.**

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**Children's Sunday Club St.Nicholas Church**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each Month @ 10:30am. All ages**

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**St B's Jigsaw All Ages: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday & Puzzle ages 11-16: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month**

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**PATRONAL (TOY) SERVICE**

St. Nicholas Church  
Southfleet

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
10:30am

Please bring a new toy to donate  
Thank you.

## Next Week's Services: 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

**St Barnabas Istead Rise**

**10am Service of the Word  
Led by Rowan Troy**

**All Age service**

**Welcome  
Nicola**

**Readings:  
Romans 15:4-13  
&  
Matthew 3:1-12  
Darcy Hill**

**Prayers:  
Jon Hill**

**Coffees:  
Pat E & Heather Frost**

**St Nicholas Southfleet**

**8am Rev. Simeon  
\*Readings as per St Barnabas**

**10:30 Patronal service  
Led by Alison**

**Sides:  
Kevin & Wendy**

**Readings:  
2 Corinthians 8:7-15, 9:6-15  
Beryl, Peter & Sarah  
Matthew 25:31-46  
Paul, Chris, Geoff & Alison**

**Prayers:  
The children**

**Coffees:  
Beryl & Peter**

DECEMBER  
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TUESDAY

### HEPATITIS C (Hep C)

- Hep C is a liver infection caused by a virus.
- Hep C is spread by infected blood.
- Hep C can lead to liver disease and cancer.

**GETTING TESTED** is the only way to know if you have Hep C.

Hep C can be cured by taking medicine. Testing is the first step on a path to cure.

**TAKE A HEP-C TEST TODAY!**

**Free Hepatitis C Test**

From 10:00-13:00 Tuesday 2nd of December at St.Barnabas Church, Warm Space. Istead Rise, Gravesend DA13 9DA

## Fundraising Concert

IN AID OF

### Erith Operatic Society & Ellenor Hospice



The Erith Operatic Society will be performing Festive Music, Readings and Carols - some of which will require audience participation to get you in the festive spirit.

**£10 PER PERSON**

Suitable for all ages  
Entrance by ticket only

Date: 6th December 2025  
Time: 7 for 7.30pm  
Place: Southfleet Village Hall  
DA13 9NX

Bring your own Drinks, Nibbles and Glasses

Ellenor is a registered charity in England and Wales (1121561)

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES THIS CHRISTMAS

## CHRISTMAS MARKET

Join us for an exciting Christmas Market where you'll find unique gifts, a magical atmosphere and festive spirit!

KIDS CRAFT ACTIVITY \* CRAFT & STALLS  
ELF VISIT AND KIDS GAMES \* FACE PAINTER

SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
2PM TILL 5PM

**FREE ENTRY**

Istead Rise Community Centre  
Worcester Close, Istead Rise DA13 9LB



- ❖ Following the sad passing of Molly Gooch, friends are advised that there will be a thanksgiving service for her life at St Nicholas on the 12th December at 11.30am.
- ❖ Santas sleigh is coming around again on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December and the Gravesend and Meopham Rotary Club will be collecting money and food bank items around Istead Rise.

Donations to the work and running of St Nicholas may be made by bank transfer (PCC Southfleet, 60-09-10, 16752953, ref your surname). Thank you for your consideration. Donations for the work and running of St Barnabas may be made by bank transfer (St Barnabas PCC: 09-01-53, 89343900, ref your name). Thank you.

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