

Weekly News from St. Nicholas & St. Barnabas 7th December 2025 Second Sunday of Advent



St Barnabas Istead Rise 7th December 2025

10.00am 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 7th December 2025

8am Rev. Simeon
*Readings as per St Barnabas

10:30 St Nicholas Day 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: Alison

Coffees: Beryl & Peter

Group Meetings & Clubs

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

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

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

Collect: Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.



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



Next Week's Services: 14th December 2025 3rd Sunday of Advent

St Barnabas Istead Rise

10am Communion Rev. Simeon

Jigsaw

Welcome Angela & Nyria

Readings:
Isaiah 35:1-10
&
Matthew 11:2-11
Sandra Union

Prayers: Vic Union

Coffees: Pat E & Dee Wenders St Nicholas Southfleet

8am Rev. Simeon

*Readings as per St Barnabas

10:30 Service of the Word Led by Chris

> Sides: Jemma & Matt

Readings:
Isaiah 35:1-10
Lynn
Matthew 11:2-11
Frances

Prayers: Peter

Coffees: Steve & Dermot

NEWS & INFORMATION

- 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 7th December and the Gravesend and Meopham Rotary Club will be collecting money and food bank items around Istead Rise.

St Nicks Church is going carol singing, not out in the cold winter but in The Ship, from 7.30 this coming Tuesday Dec 9th.



The Dickens Society will be there wearing traditional Dickensian garments but we do need people for this outreach to be a success. YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A GOOD SINGER. Everybody will be welcome.

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.



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











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

Christmas Services

Sunday 7th December
t Nicholas • 10:30am • St Nicholas Day Toy Service
with the option to bring along a new toy for
the Salvation Army to distribute to those in need

Sunday 14th December
St Barnabas • 6pm • Carol Service
mulled wine and mince pies served after the service

With mulled wine and mince pies served after the service Sunday 21st December

St Barnabas • 10:00am • Family Nativity service

St Nicholas • 10:30am • Quiet Christmas

A moment to pause, rest and reflect
in the busyness of the Christmas Season

St Nicholas • 6:00pm • Candlelight Carol Service With mulled wine and mince pies served after the service

Wednesday 24th December

St Barnabas • 10:00am • Family Christingle Service

Come and join in the chaos and the fun
as we retell the Christmas story

St Nicholas • 10:00pm • Almost Midnight Mass

Thursday 25th December

St Barnabas • 10:00am • Christmas Day Family Service

Sunday 4th January

St Barnabas • 10:00am • New Years Café Church Service
Fun, Food & Drink

Sunday 11th January

St Nicholas 10:30am Christingle Service

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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CHURCH CALENDAR Purple