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Calendar of church events

Every Wednesday 9:30am ... Morning prayer at St Nicholas Church

Every Wednesday 10:30am ... Moving On course at 70 Thanington Road

Sun 5th July 10:00am ... Morning Worship at St Nicholas Church
12:30pm... Church Family lunch at 31 Bramley Avenue

Sun 12th July 10:00am ... Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church
6:00pm ... 'Pray for Thanington' at St Faiths, New House Lane

Sun 19th July 10:00am ... Holy Communion at St Nicholas Church
2:00-4:00pm ... The Meeting Place at Saxon Fields

Wed 22nd July 7:00pm ... PCC meeting at St Nicholas church hall

Sun 26th July 10:00am ... Holy Communion
4:00pm ... Thanington Messy Church at St Nicholas Church

Thu 30th July 2:30pm ... Communion at Lark View Care home, Cockering Rd

August - Summer Slowdown

Every Sunday 10am ... worship at St Nicholas Church

Sun 16th Aug 2:00-4:00pm ... The Meeting Place at Saxon Fields

Thu 27th Aug 2:30pm ... communion at Lark View Care home

The following will not take place during August:

Wednesday Morning Prayer, Pray for Thanington, Messy Church, PCC.

Looking Ahead

Sun 6th Sep 10:00am ... Harvest service at St Nicholas Church, plus lunch

Wed 9th Sep 7:00pm ... PCC meeting at St Nicholas Church hall.

Sat 7th Nov 11:00am ... Confirmation service at Canterbury Cathedral



St Nicholas + St Faith

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From the vicar

***We are Thanington Parish Church:
A community of worship, welcome and witness to Christ,
who are learning from the past, living in the present and
looking to God's future.***

As I write this towards the end of June, I wonder how you have been managing in the recent heatwave? For some people it has been an opportunity to enjoy a day out at the beach and get a better sun-tan. Others prefer to stay in the shade and protect their skin. I've seen people walking to work under the shade of an umbrella. I suspect that, for many of us, the heat has forced us to slow down a bit and that's not a bad thing.

This summer the life of the church will also slow down a bit - though not primarily because of the heat. Morning services will continue but we will pause some other events and activities (details on the back of this news sheet). It's the school holidays, so I'll be taking some leave and spending more time with my family. I also find August is a time to catch up, to take stock, to look ahead and wonder about God's future for Thanington Parish Church (and to sort out the filing and tidy the office!)

One last thing about this summer: all being well, repairs on the church roof will start in late July and continue through August. This will include internal work and there will be a few weeks when we have scaffold inside the church. But we will be able to work around that for Sunday worship.

With love and prayers,

Rev Nick

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Safeguarding

For all church safeguarding matters, in the first instance please contact David Weeks (Parish Safeguarding Officer) on 07790 276642 or email safeguarding@thaningtonparishchurch.org.uk

The Meeting Place at Saxon Fields

Rev Nick, Amanda Palethorpe, and others will be setting up The Meeting Place on Sundays 19th July & 16th August, 2:00-4:00pm, in Saxon Fields. We offer café style seating, games, and serve refreshments from the camper van. The aim is to help residents to meet, build relationships, and grow community. If you could make a cake for this, please tell Nick or Amanda.

Church Family Lunch

Our next lunch is on Sunday 5th July. Weather permitting, it will be in Tony and Ann's back garden at 31 Bramley Avenue. Food will be ready around 12:30pm, but you are welcome to go straight from church and enjoy the garden. No set charge for lunch, but please give a donation on the day. To book, please add your name to the sign-up sheet near the front door.

Midweek Bible study groups

Meet with other members of the church to learn together and encourage each another. If you would like to join a group, speak to Rev Nick.

The King's Men in Concert

On Wednesday 15th July 2026 7:30pm (arrive from 7:00pm), members of the King's College Cambridge choir will perform a varied selection of music at Canterbury Cathedral, to raise money to improve facilities at St Martin's Church in Canterbury. Tickets from £20 pp. Book online at www.martinpaul.org/the-kings-men

Afternoon Tea for Over 60's

On Tuesday 14th July 1:45pm Over 60's at The Archbishop's School, St Stephen's Hill, Canterbury. The school is inviting senior citizens to enjoy tea, quiz and singalong entertainment, all free of charge. Call the school on 01227 765805 to book your place.

School Uniform Fund

Every summer many families in Canterbury struggle to buy school uniform. Connecting Canterbury (part of Canterbury Diocese Social Justice Network) is seeking donations to enable them to provide a £25 voucher to families in need. Payments can be made to The Social Justice Network Ltd, sort code 30-64-57, account 15085263. If you make a donation, please also email Helen at hnethe@diocant.org so that she can allocate it to this project.