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For inclusion on our parish prayer list, please contact the newsletter editor, or a churchwarden.

If you have items for the next Newsletter, please email to Patsy by 12noon Thursday witsend50pat@gmail.com.

For up-to-date information and calendar please visit the Church Website:

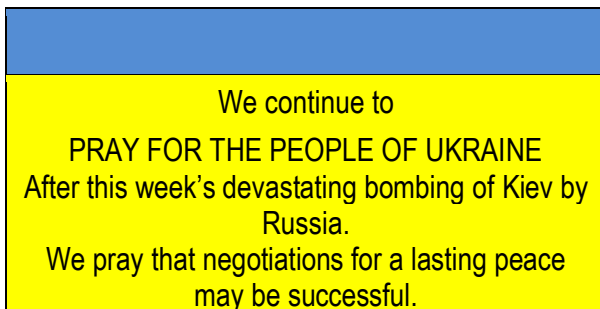
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CHURCH OPENING TIMES

If you would like to visit the church outside of services, please contact Steve or Barbara for access



We continue to pray for the people of the Holy Land that the God of all justice and peace will hear us as we cry out in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land, and we pray that the ceasefire agreement may hold, enabling people to return to their homes, the release of hostages and the provision of aid and food.

Welcome to the Parish of St Nicholas, Hurst

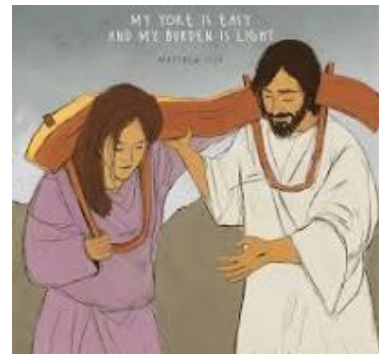


5th July 2026

Fifth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9) TODAY'S WORSHIP

11am Parish Communion, led by Revd Hugh with Discovery Zone for children in school year 3+.

The organist at today's Service is Stephen Olowomeye



Readings:

Romans 7.15-25a (Julia Curnow)

Matthew 11.16-19 & 25-30 (Rev Hugh)

Hymns:

667 I danced in the morning

415 Glory in the highest

664 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

128 Jesu, lover of my soul

728 Meekness and Majesty

Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

AMEN

(or)

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Post Communion Prayer

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

July

12th Sixth Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion led by Rev Hugh with Discovery Zone for children in school year 3+

19th Seventh Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion led by Rev Hugh with Discovery Zone for children in school year 3+

26th July Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9am Said Communion led by Rev Hugh

11am Messy Church led by the Messy Team

August

2nd Ninth Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

9th August Tenth Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion led by Archdeacon of Berkshire, the Venerable Stephen Pullin

16th Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion led by Reverend Graham

23rd Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

30th Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

This Week's Diary

Tuesday 7th 9.30am Zoom Morning Prayer

<https://zoom.us/j/91759590557?pwd=cy9TejJLQ09zOXVxSVRZZDZrck1iZz09>

Wednesday 8th 12.30pm Hurst Friendship Group at The Castle Inn

Stamps and Milk Bottle Tops

Don't forget we are still collecting used postage stamps (in aid of Mercy Ships), and Milk Bottle Tops (in aid of Thames Valley Air Ambulance). Please leave items in the containers on the Bread Tomb at the back of church.

Congratulations to Millie and Toby Zeal on their marriage in St Nicholas yesterday

Prayers: We pray for all who are ill and in need of God's healing including: Carol, David, Em, Philip, Patsy, Shirley, John and Derek.

We also pray for all who care for them.

We also remember those whose anniversary of death falls at this time, including Ellen Boyed, Liley Barnes, Michael "Mick" Smith, Trevor Williams, June Edwards, Edwin Langley and Denis Allen

Bishop Stephen urged us to pray for the Middle East
"Offer daily prayers for lasting peace in the Middle East this weekend, for our Prime Minister and government, our armed forces and for all those affected by the war."

Bp Stephen commended this profound prayer by Bishop Guli of Chelmsford

Ever-loving God, who hears us in our anguish and distress, and longs for us to be free. We pray for the people of Iran and the wider Middle East, at this time of fear and uncertainty. Be near to those who are anxious; bring comfort to all who are suffering. Guide those with the power to make decisions, and lead them in the ways of wisdom, compassion and moderation: that people of goodwill would seek harmony and reconciliation.

Join us with our Christian brothers and sisters in all places, in praying for peace with justice, through him who is the prince of peace, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Concert at St Paul's Wokingham, 11th July, 7pm

Join the St Paul's Choir for a special evening of celebration, including music by Purcell, Mozart, Haydn, Brahms and Rutter

Jubilate Deo! Celebrating 500 years of sacred choral music 7pm Saturday 11 July 2026

Refreshments served during the interval and after the concert

Director of Music: Louise Turner

Organist: Christopher Cipkin

Retiring collection in aid of the St Paul's Choral

Foundation for young singers and the Organ Fund