

NOTICES : 30 August 2026

Services this Sunday Uppingham BCP Communion, 8am; Choral Eucharist, 10.45am. Belton Parish Eucharist, 9am: **hymns** 234 Christ, whose glory fills the skies; 439 Praise to the Holiest in the height; 408 Love divine, all loves excelling.

Prayer Groups in church Tuesday 8.30am; Friday 9.30am. **Eucharist** Saturday 9.30am.

Corby Male Voice Choir will sing at the Falcon (in the Garden Room) on Saturday 5 September in aid of Uppingham Rotary charities: buy your tickets £15 on the door or in advance via Jill Cannings.

Uppingham Choral Society begins autumn term rehearsals on Thursday 10 September at 7.30pm in the Methodist Church, under their new Musical Director, Toby Ward. They will be working towards the performance of St Nicolas, together with a selection of Advent carols: new members will be made most welcome. Contact Hui-yen Bloodworth on 07723 203030.

Harvest Festival Come and join the Churches Together service, at Belton St Peter, on Sunday 27 September at 10.45am, followed by a bring-and-share lunch. Choral Evensong for Harvest will then be offered at 6pm in Uppingham PC: all are welcome.

Online Giving Use this link, or scan the QR code below, to donate to the church:

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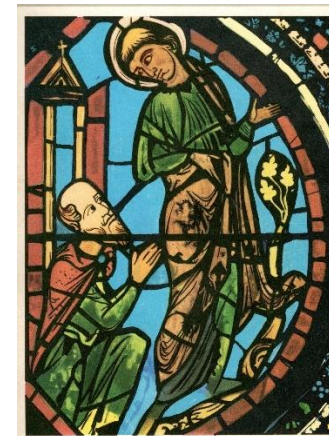


Benjamin Britten

SAINT NICOLAS

Cantata, Op.42

Uppingham Choral Society will be performing this work in the Parish Church on Saturday evening 28 November, Eve of Advent, under the baton of their new director, Toby Ward, with John Wardle at the organ.



Written for the centenary celebrations of Lancing College – where the imposing structure of the Chapel of SS Mary and Nicolas dominates the skyline of the Downs as you take the train west from Brighton – **Saint Nicolas** was first performed as the inaugural concert of the Aldeburgh Festival in 1948, with Peter Pears in the solo role.

Nicolas was born at Patara in Asia Minor, and served as Bishop of Myra, the capital of his native country Lycia. He is the hero of many popular legends, the patron saint of Russia and Greece, and universally known to children in his disguise of Santa Claus.

Nicolas was born of wealthy parents, showing early signs of exceptional grace and taught by the Church in boyhood and youth. When both his parents died of plague he donated his wealth to charity and made pilgrimage to the Holy Land. During the early 4th century, when Christians were persecuted by Diocletian, Nicolas was imprisoned. Later, he distinguished himself at the first great Church Council of Nicaea.

The cantata depicts his birth, his dedication to God, his journey to Palestine, his inauguration as Bishop, his imprisonment, several of his miracles (including the ‘pickled boys’) and finally his death. The audience are called upon to join in the singing of two hymns – *All people that on earth do dwell* and *God moves in a mysterious way*.

Picture: An old man thanks Saint Nicolas (stained glass window in Chartres Cathedral)

The Collect

**Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Meditation before service

Almighty and most merciful God, who hast given us a new commandment that we should love one another, give us also grace that we may fulfil it. Make us gentle, courteous, and forbearing. Direct our lives so that we may look to the good of others in word and deed. And hallow all our friendships by the blessing of thy Spirit; for his sake who loved us and gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bp Brooke Foss Westcott (1825-1901)

Jeremiah 15.15-21

Old Testament reading

O Lord, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. ¹⁶Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts. ¹⁷I did not sit in the company of merry-makers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. ¹⁸Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. ¹⁹Therefore, thus says the Lord: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. ²⁰And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the Lord. ²¹I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Psalm 26

(BCP)

- 1** Be thou my judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently : my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fall.
- 2** Examine me, O Lord, and prove me : try out my reins and my heart.
- 3** For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes : and I will walk in thy truth.
- 4** I have not dwelt with vain persons : neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.
- 5** I have hated the congregation of the wicked : and will not sit among the ungodly.
- 6** I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord : and so will I go to thine altar.
- 7** That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving : and tell of all thy wondrous works.
- 8** Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house : and the place where thine honour dwelleth.

Romans 12.9-end

New Testament reading

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. ¹¹Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' ²⁰No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel Reading

Matthew 16.21-end

From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. ²²And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, 'God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.' ²³But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling-block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' ²⁴Then Jesus told his disciples, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²⁷For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. ²⁸Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom.'

Postcommunion Collect

God our creator,
you feed your children with the true manna,
the living bread from heaven:
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst are no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcome to our Eucharist, 10.45am at Uppingham Parish Church

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rector, Revd Canon Allison Twigg	
Reader	Richard Barribal	
Intercessor	Hlary Dawe	
Organist	John Wardle	
Setting	Archer, <i>Lincoln</i>	
Hymns	510	Will you come and follow me
	595	Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
	135	Take up thy cross, the Saviour said
Readings	Jeremiah 15.15-21	
	Romans 12.9-end	
Gradual psalm	26.1-8	<i>Smart in G</i>
Gospel acclamation	Alleluia. Alleluia.	
	Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.	
	You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.	
The Gospel	Matthew 16.21-end	
Communion anthem and hymn	Farrant, <i>Call to remembrance</i>	
	plainsong <i>Lord, as I wake I turn to you</i>	

Please remember in our prayers

The sick: Jane Downs, Sybil Cripps Daniels, Trish Damen, Janette Coates, Jean Lattimore, John Lewis, Susan Scott, Iain, David Woodward, Melissa Papps

The departed: Thomas Mann

Year's mind: John Hallam, Trevor Ian Tilley, John Eric Tindall, Ivy Bryan, Betty Piercey, Rita Thorpe