



**Sunday 25th May 2025**  
**Holy Communion 10.00am**  
**Revd Tony Edmonds**

**A very warm welcome to our  
Rogation Sunday Service this morning in  
St Nicholas Church, Studland**

... and a special welcome if you are a visitor to our Church! This is a Holy Communion service, and you are most welcome to take Communion with us. If you need a gluten-free wafer, please ask. Or if you would prefer to have a blessing, just bring this Notice Sheet with you to the communion rail, to give an indication to the priest.

Children are most welcome in our church. Do not worry if they are noisy or make a break for freedom: we are just delighted to have the children in Church with us. There are toys in the two green boxes at the back of the Church - and everyone is welcome to use them.

We do not pass around a collection plate at St Nicholas' Church, but we are most appreciative of donations to help maintain both the Church and its ministry. We have a traditional plate for cash donations with Gift Aid envelopes available as well as a contactless card payments station at the exit to the Church. If you would like to make regular donations, please consider setting up a Standing Order with your bank: if this is of interest, please contact the Treasurer, Eric Stobart at [eric@thestobarts.co.uk](mailto:eric@thestobarts.co.uk). Later this year, we are looking to move to the Parish Giving Scheme which should streamline making donations on a regular basis.

After the service, we serve coffee, tea and other refreshments in the Church Hall. Please do join us - and get to know us all a little better.

For regular updates on Church activities throughout the week, please find us on [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com) You can also follow us on Facebook. (St Nicholas Church Studland) – do give us a like or two!

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**SWANAGE & STUDLAND TEAM MINISTRY**  
**St. Mary's – St. Mark's – All Saints' – St. Nicholas'**  
**25 May 2025 – Rogation Sunday**

**Reading for this Sunday is: Acts 16.9-15**

**Gospel Reading: John 5.1-9**

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup> Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew<sup>[a]</sup> Beth-zatha,<sup>[b]</sup> which has five porticoes. <sup>3</sup> In these lay many ill, blind, lame, and paralyzed people. <sup>[c]</sup> <sup>5</sup> One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. <sup>6</sup> When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" <sup>7</sup> The ill man answered him, "Sir,<sup>[d]</sup> I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am making my way someone else steps down ahead of me." <sup>8</sup> Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." <sup>9</sup> At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a Sabbath.

**Collect:**

Almighty God,  
whose will it is that the earth and the sea  
should bear fruit in due season:  
bless the labours of those who work on land and sea,  
grant us a good harvest  
and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

God our creator,  
you give seed for us to sow and bread for us to eat:  
as you have blessed the fruit of our labour in this eucharist,  
so we ask you to give all your children their daily bread,  
that the world may praise you for your goodness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.