

THE FRIENDS OF ST NICHOLAS CHURCH

St Nicholas, Church Street, W4, is the earliest of the parish churches of Chiswick. Founded some 1,300 years ago, it was rebuilt in the 1880s, but the tower dates from 1425. The purpose of the Friends of St Nicholas Church is the repair and maintenance of the building and churchyard, and its fixtures, fittings, and contents. We raise funds from Friends' subscriptions, and from events in the church and elsewhere.

Recently we have funded new lighting and sound systems, CCTV camera protection, and new notice-boards. We also contributed to the funds needed for the recent refurbishment of the pipe organ, and we have paid for the restoration of several tombs in the churchyard, notably that of William Hogarth.

We organise events in the church, normally six each year, to which Friends have free entry. Recently we have had talks on topics of local historical interest: on, for example, William Hogarth and Chiswick, Head Gardeners at Chiswick House, the church's stained-glass windows, William Kent and Chiswick House Grounds, and Johann Zoffany's royal patronage.

We also present concerts, some given by local musicians and groups, such as the Petros Singers, Chiswick Baroque, the Chiswick Gospel Choir, and local soprano Charmaine Dooley. Others have recently been given by the National Youth Jazz Orchestra, 'cellist Jamal Aliyev, and pianist Clare Hammond.

Finally, we arrange visits to places of interest, such as recently to the Foundling Museum, Transport for London's Acton depot, Two Temple Place, Lambeth Palace, and the London Library.

We very much hope that you will wish to join us and become a Friend of St Nicholas Church.

Please complete this form and return it with your annual subscription (minimum £25.00 or £40.00 for a two-person household) to our

Membership Secretary, 52 Prebend Gardens, London, W6 0XU

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I enclose a cheque for £ payable to 'The Friends of St Nicholas Church'. If you are a UK taxpayer you can increase the value of your donation by signing the Gift Aid declaration overleaf.

Alternatively, paying your annual membership donation by Banker's Order simplifies the membership renewal process for you and for us.

Banker's Order application

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Please pay to HSBC, 281 Chiswick High Road, W4 4HJ; sort code 40-02-13; for the credit of 'The Friends of St Nicholas Church' acct no.71181106 the sum of £.....(amount in words.....)

Starting on: and on the same date each year until you receive further notice from me/us in writing. This instruction cancels any previous order in favour of The Friends of St Nicholas Church.

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