



The Halewood-Hunts Cross Team



Welcome to worship!

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Services today – Sunday 15 January 2017 Epiphany 2

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	Joint Service at St Mary's Covenant Service HC	11.00 AM	Joint Service at St Mary's Covenant Service HC
11:00 AM	P1: AAW Baptism	11:00 AM			

Services next Sunday 22 January 2017 Epiphany 3

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	Holy Communion Baptisms	10.30 AM	GMJC
11:00 AM	P1:MW P2:MW	11:00 AM 12:45 PM			

Duties in Church for next Sunday (22 January 2017)

	St Hilda's	St Nicholas'	St Mary's
Ministry Team		Jenny Rayner	NH/AS
Duty Warden/Steward		GE/LW	PB
Sidespeople		G McIver/A Heyes	S & R Turnley
Readings		1 Cor 1:10-18 G Muir	1 Cor 1:10-18 T Murrall
		Matt 4:12-23 G McIver	Matt 4:12-23 P Boffey
Prayers		J Barlow	NH
Tea Rota		S Cargill/L Richardson	E Crerar/J Grace
Crèche		J Jevons/J Fleming <i>C Egan</i>	
Communion Stewards			
Communion Servers		P Hatchard/J Barlow	

NOTICES

Midweek Worship and Forthcoming Services

St Mary's Care Centre Service

The next St Mary's Care Centre Service will take place on Wednesday 15th February 2017, starting at 11:30AM. A three-course lunch will be available after the service at a cost of £5.00. This will need to be booked in advance. Tel: 486 4873 before 9:30AM on the day of the service.

Morning Prayers

Most Tuesday's at St Mary's at 9:00AM – please check with a member of the Team, particularly across holiday periods!

Thursday Holy Communion

Each Thursday morning we meet at St Nicholas' for an informal Communion service, starting at 9:15AM. This is followed by Coffee Shop at the St Nicholas' Centre

Children and Young People

Jam/Boss/Next Level

Vineyard Youth Club

Meet Fridays 7.30pm to 9.30pm in term time in St Nicholas Centre. Waiting list for new members. Contact hilary.mason24@gmail.com

Other notices

Fairtrade

The winning ticket to win this year's Fairtrade hamper belonged to C. Madeloso - hope you enjoyed all of the goodies!!

There were also runner up prizes that went to J. Bangor-Jones, A. Tones and P. West.

Thanks to all who bought a ticket for your support.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year from St Nick's Fairtrade team.

Christian Aid

Thank you to everyone who supported our Christian Aid envelopes over the Christmas period, we raised £248.00 for Christian Aid

Revd Frank Cain

Last Sunday was my last day as Rector. It has been a much shorter tenure than I had envisaged when we arrived in October 2015. It is not appropriate to go through the reasons why I have felt it necessary to move, but it has proved very difficult to offer leadership in the parish in the way that it needs. In those circumstances it would have been inappropriate to have a church leaving 'celebration'.

I was keen to have an 'open house' though, which allowed those who wished to to say goodbye. Sue and I wanted to say a big THANK YOU to the several dozen who turned up. It is a big Rectory, but for once rubber sides would have been useful!

We were overwhelmed by the love, warmth and kind support, and the very generous, and imaginative, gifts that we received. We were genuinely touched, and it will be a happy memory to take away. Thank you to the well-wishers from St. Nicholas, St. Mary and St. Hilda's who came.

As the parish enters a new phase of its life, with the Interim Minister Richard Gedge, my prayer is that the church will reflect honestly on the past couple of years and with courage and humility look to a new beginning in which the churches of Halewood and Hunts Cross will

flourish. It will always be a sadness that we were not part of that longer journey.

We are glad to announce that the Bishop has asked Rev Richard Gedge to act as half-time Interim Minister in Halewood for a provisional period of 9 months. This is to avoid another lengthy interregnum and also to provide leadership in developing the parish's mission for the future. Rev Caroline Ainger and the South Liverpool Methodist Circuit have also agreed to this. The Archdeacon will introduce and license Richard at both churches on Jan 22nd.

Interim Ministry is now being used more frequently within our diocese, and more widely across the country. It's a way of helping churches to deal with a change of leadership. Richard will have a clear agreed role description which will focus on limited tasks achievable within the timescale, and the Bishop asks that you give Richard your full support in preparing the way for the next Team Rector. He'll be a bit like John the Baptist in that respect!

St Nicholas Church Painting Club

The St Nicholas Church Painting Club will be meeting again in January for 3 weeks commencing on Thursday 12th January at 1.00 pm until 3.30pm. The cost for the 3 week session is £12.00 payable on the first session. If you are not yet a member and wish to join, or if you want to visit and see what we do then please contact Ken Allen on 487 5448 or email Ken on allen556@btinternet.com

Ladies Bingo Night

Our 3rd annual ladies only bingo night raising funds for St Nicholas' Centre. Saturday 28th January 7.30pm. Tickets £5 including 2 games. BYO drinks and nibbles. A night not to be missed. Tickets available from Kat Griffin, Debbie Kenwell, Liz Simon, Vanessa Bevan, Claire Madelosa & Jane Ryland

Confirmation Celebration

For those who have brought candidates to confirmation during 2016 will know that Bishop Paul and Bishop Richard are wishing to hold a Confirmation Celebration in the Cathedral on Saturday 4th February 2017 to which all those who have been confirmed during 2016 have been invited. As the Bishops have attended each confirmation service during the year they have distributed invitations

If you would like to attend the Confirmation Celebration would you please RSVP to the invite to -

**Nichola James Executive Assistant to the Bishop of Liverpool
Bishop's Lodge, Woolton Park, Liverpool L25 6DT 0151 421 0831
bishopslodge@liverpool.anglican.org**

BEETLE DRIVE

Saturday 4th February 7.30pm in St Nicholas Centre. Come along to a fun evening of beetle' drawing against the clock. Tickets £3 each or £10 for a family ticket (2 adults + 2 children) available from Gill Muir, Pat Hatchard or any member of the fund raising team.