



The Halewood-Hunts Cross Team

Welcome to worship!



Gracious Father,
 you gave up your Son
 out of love for the world:
 lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
 that we may know eternal peace
 through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Services today – Sunday 9 April 2017 Palm Sunday

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	No Service		
11:00 AM	Holy Communion P2: AAW	11:00 AM	AAW (no parade)	10.30 AM	Holy Communion
		12.45 PM	Baptisms		

Services next Sunday 16 April 2017 Easter Day

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	Holy Communion		
11:00 AM	P1 & P2 Holy Communion on P1	11:00 AM	Holy Communion	10.30 AM	Holy Communion

Duties in Church for next Sunday (16 April 2017)

	St Hilda's	St Nicholas'	St Mary's
Ministry Team		RG	CC
Duty Warden/Steward		ST/LW	PB
Sidespeople		K Allen/D Kenwell	D & H Birch
Readings		Acts 10:34-43 G McQueen	Acts 10:34-43 M Cox
		Jn 20:1-18 B Young	Jn 20:1-18 N Hutton
Prayers		J Barlow	P Boffey
Tea Rota		L Green/S Jones	
Crèche		Z Booth/C Egan <i>S Brooks</i>	
Communion Stewards			J Birchall/M Birchall
Communion Servers		J Barlow/T Harrison	H Birch

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 12th April 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 Monday's at St Nicholas at 9:15AM – 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

100% BOSS Alternate Tuesday's at St. Mary's from 5:30-7:00pm. For children in school years 4-7. We are Children's University registered.

"NEXT LEVEL" Alternate Tuesday's at St. Mary's from 5:30pm-7:00pm. For 7 - 11 year olds.

JAM Club Wednesday at St. Mary's, after school club 3:00pm - 5:00pm. For children in reception to school year 6. We are Children's University registered.

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

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Emergency Appeal from Christian Aid to help the millions of people in East Africa facing starvation.

Donations from St Mary's, St Nicholas and the Fairtrade stall came to a total of £300.

This has now been sent to Christian Aid to help in their work in this area. The UK Government will match every pound given for this disaster emergency appeal.

Thank you to everyone who supported the recent Card Making Workshop held at St Mary's. A magnificent £470 was raised for church funds. A huge 'thank you' to Linda West for giving her time and expertise to lead this event.

The next Card Making Workshop will be held on **2nd December**. Please make a note in your diary. Further details will be in the notices and magazine

Fairtrade Easter Raffle

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets for the delicious fair trade Easter eggs.

The winning tickets were drawn after parade on Mother's Day.

Winners were : L Williams, A Tones and J Bangor -Jones.

Well done! Hope you enjoy them.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Sunrise Service this year will start at 6am on Holt's Field (behind Mossley Hill Church) on Easter Sunday Morning. This is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the resurrection as the sun and the Son rise.

Easter Sunday Morning Breakfast

We are planning an Easter Sunday continental style breakfast at the St Nicholas' Centre from 7.30am until around 10.30 am. This is the first time we have done this for a good few years and so hope that you will come along and join us. There is no charge although donations to cover costs will be most welcome. There is no need to book and you can come before or after the 9am service at St Nicholas' or before the mid morning services at both churches. Friends from St Hilda's are also welcome to join us.

Alison

Exploring Faith Groups

Thanks to a brilliant response there will be 5 groups meeting during the spring in homes across the parish. Through interactive sessions, discussion, drinking coffee, and learning together we are looking to deepen our relationship with God and with each other.

If you would like to come along to a group, now or later in the year, please contact Vanessa Harrison (ness.harrison@gmail.com) or speak to a member of the clergy team – we would be only too pleased to tell you more about it.

Maundy Thursday 13th April

The Passover meal in St Hilda's is cancelled.

This means that there will be worship in Halewood and Hunts Cross as follows on Maundy Thursday:

9:15am Holy Communion at St Nicholas Halewood

7:30pm Holy Communion at St Hilda's Hunts Cross

All are welcome to either or both services!

St Nicholas' Easter flowers

We are going to decorate St Nicholas' for Easter, and would welcome any contributions towards the cost of Easter flowers. If you would like to commemorate any person or event with your donation, please let us know and we will put a card with one of the arrangements. Donations to Kate Cooper or to Barbara Harrington at the church office.

IT and Process skills needed

We are looking for some help to re-structure our parish processes and IT. If you have some skills in the area of writing processes, role descriptions etc, or in setting up shared electronic filing and databases we would love to hear from you. Please contact Richard Gedge (rjagedge@gmail.com).

Afternoon Tea

Tickets now available for **Afternoon Tea** on Sunday 7th May at 3pm in St Nicholas Centre. Ticket price £6 which includes a delicious range of sandwiches, cakes and scones plus tea/coffee with light entertainment by Halewood Community Choir ...not to be missed! All proceeds to St Nicholas Church Building Fund.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2017.

Christian Aid Week this year is from the 14th to the 20th of May. Every year we raise around £2000 from our door to door collection. There are still many areas of Halewood not covered and we need more helpers as every year one or two retire. If you feel you could help with this important fund raiser please contact Penni Conlon on 0151 498 4240 or 07990853334. If you would like to help but don't want to go alone we can pair you up with someone else.

HOLIDAY CLUB

Holiday Club are collecting items for their crafts this year if you have any of the following between now and July 21st please bring to St Mary's for the attention of Natasia: Plastic bottles, shoe boxes, cereal boxes, glass jars, cardboard boxes, old (clean!) socks.

This year's holiday club is called Space Academy and is based on the book of Daniel. The dates are **Monday 24th July - Friday 28th July at St Mary's Church**. Anyone able to volunteer to contact Natasia on halewoodchurchcw@gmail.com or 07867489463. Next volunteers meeting is Sunday 23rd April 1pm at St Mary's.

St Nicholas Gift Aid

The new 2017 Gift Aid Envelopes are available for collection in the church porch.

This scheme allows you to give on a regular weekly basis and also enables the church to claim back the tax on your gift if you are a tax payer. If you would like to sign up for the envelope scheme or better still give your gift by regular standing order, please see either Gill Muir or Tom Beesley for a gift aid form.

Tom Beesley is looking to step down as Voluntary Centre Manager at the end of this year. If you feel you would like to take on this roll, could you please contact the parish office or Tom Beesley to discuss the details.

Future fundraising events at St Nicholas' Centre

Quiz - 14th October

Murder Night - 18th November

Mulled Wine & Mince Pie

Film Night 21st December