



The Halewood-Hunts Cross Team

Welcome to worship!



God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.

Services today – Sunday 11 June 2017

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	No Service		
11:00 AM	P1 Holy Communion P2 : AAW	11:00 AM	Parade Service	10.30 AM	Holy Communion
		12.45 PM	Baptisms		

Services next Sunday 18 June 2017

St Hilda's		St Nicholas'		St Mary's	
9:00 AM	Holy Communion	9:00 AM	Holy Communion		
11:00 AM	Baptism & AAW	11:00 AM	Morning Worship	10.30 AM	Morning Worship/Baptisms

Duties in Church for next Sunday (18 June 2017)

	St Hilda's	St Nicholas'	St Mary's
Ministry Team		RG	CC
Duty Warden/Steward		GE/LW	MH
Sidespeople		J & D Adamson	C Blakeborough
Readings		Ex 19:2-8a TBA	Ex 19:2-8a H Birch
		Mt 9:35-10:8 TBA	Mt 9:35-10:8 A Tones
Prayers		K Cooper	Preacher
Tea Rota		M Holmes/D Kenwell	Dot & Harry
Crèche		Kerry Sanjurgo/ Jo Shaw-Walker	
Communion Stewards			
Communion Servers			

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 14th June 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

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.

Junior Church

Junior Church runs at 11am on most Sunday mornings and gives teaching and fun for school age children. Some of our leaders are standing down - we are so appreciative of their service to the children and the church. If you would like to consider becoming a leader or helper at Junior Church please contact Richard Gedge rjagedge@gmail.com or Alison Shacklady alison1.shacklady@btinternet.com

Caterpillars Baby and Toddler Group

We are pleased to say that we are hoping to start a new Baby and Toddler Group in the St Nic's Centre on Tuesday mornings. Laura Burke will be leading the group, assisted by Hannah Kirkwood. We are aiming to start the group in June.

We need some good quality items to enable us to run the group. The things we need are:

- Wooden puzzles
- Animal figures
- Two children's prams
- Dolls
- Books - bible based picture books and story books

If you have any of these items can you please give them to Barbara in the Parish Office, St Nic's Centre.

St Nicholas Church Crèche are also looking for donations of good quality WOODEN toys and colourful bible story books.

Walking Group.

Our walk in June will be along the waterfront from the festival gardens via the marina to the Albert Dock and Pier Head.

We will be starting with bacon butties at a venue to be decided.

If you would like to join us on Saturday 17th June please meet at the St Nicholas' centre at 9.45 - you will be made very welcome.

CHRISTIAN AID.

Thank you to everyone who collected for or gave to Christian Aid Week. We are busy counting the money and will announce the total in the next few weeks.

On Sunday 18th June we will be welcoming Eirlys Jessop to preach at the 9am and 11am services.

Eirlys is the Regional Co ordinator for Christian Aid and I am sure it will be very interesting to hear what she has to say about the work of Christian Aid.

Christian Aid collectors will be reading the lessons and also choosing the hymns so do come along and give your support.

There will be a collection for Christian Aid at the service too for anyone who missed the chance to donate in Christian Aid Week.

For more details contact Penni Conlon.

We have a few big weekends coming up at St Mary's and would really appreciate a bit of extra help.

Saturday 24 June we are turning our usual coffee shop into a 'Blooming Great Tea Party' and all money raised will go to Marie Curie. We plan to hold a raffle and table sale as well as the usual bacon butties and homemade cakes. On the same day there is Safeguarding Training happening in church, with 30 - 40 people expected to attend. As you can see we are going to be very busy so we're looking for 3 or 4 more volunteers to help us offer our usual high standard of service!

Saturday 1 July Halewood Culturefest will be holding a Flower Festival and Arts and Craft Exhibition as part of our 50 year anniversary celebrations. Again we expect to be very busy and a few more volunteers on coffee shop would be a great help, especially as we'll need to operate until 3pm.

Before all this happens we'd like to give church a good clean and tidy up so on

17 June we'd love some of you to come along and help with hoovering, dusting, cleaning windows etc inside and litter picking and weeding outside. Any time you can offer between 10 and 1 that day would be really appreciated, please bring your own cleaning equipment/trowel etc.

Thank you all for your support, any queries contact Carol on 0151 281 2508

Confirmation

Our confirmation service this year takes place on 8/10/17 in the afternoon at St Hilda's

If you would like to think about what it means to be a Christian and follow Jesus then please join the confirmation group and find out more about the Christian faith. The group will meet 6-8 times between July & September (with a break for the summer!) Please do speak to Richard, Jane or another member of the team if you are interested, as an adult or a young person. Precise details regarding preparation will follow in due course

HOLIDAY CLUB at St Mary's Church.

Halewood Holiday clubs next and final planning meeting is Sunday 16th July St Mary's 7pm - 9pm. We are still looking for volunteers to support groups so please get in touch with Natasia before this meeting. We are also looking for people to help set up on Saturday 22nd July ahead of the club which commences Monday 24th July and concludes on Sunday 30th July.

We are also still collecting cardboard boxes and glass jars.

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Halewood Pastoral Visiting Team

We are setting up a Pastoral Visiting Team in the parish. The team might visit someone for a number of reasons, from supporting people who need a friendly face and someone to listen to them, to more specialist areas such as bereavement. Training would be given.

If you would like to be considered to become a Pastoral Visitor, please complete a form declaring your interest. Forms are available at the back of both churches, and further details from Anne Allen (anne.allen11@icloud.com) at St Nicholas' and Gill Dover (gillian.dover@gmail.com) at St Mary's.

This new Visiting Team is designed to be in addition to the work already done by Pastoral groups at St Mary's and the informal care we offer each other within the parish, not to replace those.

Thank you. Gill and Anne.

Roles in our church community

We are encouraging more people to get involved in the working ministry of the church here in Halewood.

We currently have the following opportunities:

Tenant's manager – looking after the relationship we have with our flat tenants.

Lease manager – looking after the relationship we have with organisations who lease premises from us.

Maintenance Manager – Having an overview of day to day maintenance of our buildings.

Collection team – a few posts helping to process weekly church collection.

If you would be interested in serving in one of these roles please contact Richard Gedge rjgedge@googlemail.com

Would anyone like to be an assistant verger?

I am the verger for St Nicholas' and St Mary's and the assistant is currently Flo Owens, who was previously verger. We are looking for someone who would like to be trained as a further assistant, to help especially at large weddings and funerals and who could act as verger on their own once trained if I am not available (or by agreement). You would need to agree to a DBS (criminal records) check for safeguarding purposes.

The verger's duties are concerned with weddings and funerals at St Nicholas' and St Mary's and an assistant verger therefore needs to be reasonably available during the day on weekdays and weekends. Most weddings are on Saturdays, but funerals are usually on weekdays and burials of ashes are often on Sundays after services.

The role involves liaising with the church office or churchwardens about dates and arrangements, attending any wedding rehearsal, opening and setting up the church beforehand, meeting the families and assisting during the service (eg playing CDs, taking the collection), and clearing up afterwards and locking up. The verger also completes the burial and service records and counts the collection (and may be asked to complete marriage records). The assistant would only have to complete records once they were confident enough to do a service on their own. I would provide on the job training and written guidance, and nobody would be asked to "go solo" before they were ready! The verger is paid a fee for each service, and once fully trained, the assistant verger would either share the fee with me or receive the whole fee if they were doing a service by themselves.

As St Mary's does not have many weddings or funerals, the role would mainly involve work at St Nicholas' – but that doesn't mean someone at St Mary's can't apply! I have found the verger's role really rewarding – it is a chance to give something back to the church, meet people and serve God by making a difference to people's lives at an important time, helping either a sad or happy event run as smoothly as possible.

Please do have a think about whether this appeals to you, and contact me at church, on 425 3517 or 07759 007299, or via email on nandkcooper@gmail.com.

Kate Cooper

Future fundraising events at St Nicholas' Centre

Quiz - 23rd September

Murder Night - 18th November

Mulled Wine & Mince Pie

Film Night 21st December