



Welcome to St Nicholas' Church, Blundellsands

SUNDAY 11th March

Mothering Sunday

Services:

8.30am – Eucharist
10.30am – All Age Family Service with parade for Mothering Sunday
5.00pm – Toddler Church

Hymns:

195 From Heaven you came
159 Father God I wonder
428 Love divine, all loves excelling
695 To God be the glory

This coming week:

Mon 12th 6.00pm Messy Church meeting at the vicarage
Tues 13th 2.00pm Blundellsands Churches Together Lent Group meets at St Michael's Church
Wed 14th 9.00am Church open for a cuppa and a chat
10.15am Eucharist in the hall followed by Bible Study and lunch
8.00pm Final START course session
Thurs 15th 9.00am Morning Prayer followed by Standing Committee meeting in church
Frid 16th Expected date for completion of building works
Sat 17th 10.00am Meet at church for a walk to Hightown. Everyone welcome, including children and dogs. Just come for the exercise, the companionship and a breath of fresh air! We will walk come rain or shine and will probably catch the train back after refreshments in Hightown

Next Sunday (11th March)

8.30am Eucharist
10.30am Eucharist
5.00pm Soul Food
6.30pm Janet is at St Michael's
7.00pm The Bridge

Quiz Night

Thanks to all who helped and supported the Quiz Night. Profits from the ticket sales were divided between church and Friends of St Nicholas' School who are raising funds for a new running track. Church funds and to FOSN each received £166

Flowers for Easter

On Saturday 31st March the Flower Team will be working hard from 9.30-11.30am decorating the church in preparation for our joyful Easter celebrations. If you are feeling creative and would like to lend a hand you will be most welcome - no flower arranging experience needed! Any contributions towards the cost of our Easter flowers may be handed to Lesley Utleby. Thank you.

Readers: 8.30am – Stephen Bailey
10.30am – Amy Prendergast
Prayers: 8.30am – Clergy
10.30am – Derek Parkinson

Please remember the following in your prayers:

- Amy Flowerdew, Daisy Hennessey, Ethel Hesketh, Baby Eva, Vera Johnson, Ben Blanchflower, Stephanie Cater, Nicky Kirby, Janet Humphries, Margaret Williams, William Dobie and Ian Ligertwood
- Bereaved families

If you would like us to pray for someone, please put their name in the book by the Prayer Tree at the back of church

Volunteers Wanted!

Part of our successful heritage Lottery Fund bid was a plan to broaden the use of the church as a heritage centre and community resource. To make this happen, we need to recruit a team of volunteers to support church open days and a programme of events for the wider community. So, we are holding a volunteer recruitment event on: **Sunday 25th March (Palm Sunday) at 12 noon straight after the church service.**

This will take place at the back of church in our new refreshment area. There will be a short presentation and information packs about being a volunteer will be available. If you can't come to the event but are still interested in being a volunteer, please contact Lynne Godfrey: Lgodfrey4@virginmedia.com or mobile 07535265549

Plant and Table Top Sale

Saturday 28th April 11.00am to 1.00pm

Table Hire for £10 to sell your own goods/unwanted items. Also a church table for donated goods – for info please email: steve5308@hotmail.com
Entrance will cost £1 and there will be refreshments on sale. Proceeds to St Nicholas' Church General Funds. Bedding plants will be sold in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care.

Rev'd Neil Short has been appointed as part time vicar of St Michael's and part time missionary for the 3rd Age Generation in the L23 Partnership. He will also be working half time for the diocese, encouraging church growth. He will be licensed at St Michael's on Tuesday 15th May at 7.30pm.

Bishop Richard is due to retire as Bishop of Warrington in April. His farewell service with Eucharist will be held in the Cathedral on Saturday 21st April at 3pm and he wants to extend the invitation to all parishes to join him for this occasion. There is no need to register for tickets as there will be plenty of space available. Everyone is welcome to join him on this occasion.