



# ST NICHOLAS AND ST MARY'S

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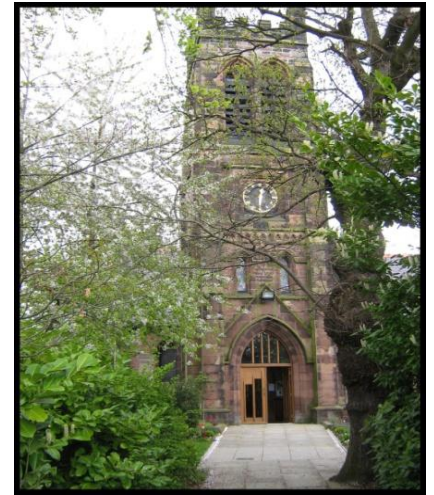
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*Please feel free to send me any  
articles that may be of interest  
to our readers.*

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*Margaret*



**Prayer – of thanks for Candlemas and the Presentation at the Temple**

Dear Lord,

The shortest month, the snowdrop month! February brings those beautiful, hopeful little flowers, also called Candlemas Bells. Thank You, Lord, for the beauty and the hope.

Thank You for the reminder of when Jesus was presented at the Temple as a baby. Thank You, for Simeon recognising in that vulnerable baby the promised Saviour of all the world.

Oh Lord, how this world needs to hear afresh that message of salvation. Open eyes to see You and to know You. Open ears to hear Your message of hope and reconciliation. Open hearts to receive Your love and to share it, for the sake of all the suffering people of the world.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

*By Daphne Kitching*

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# MINISTRY MESSAGE

## Growing in the Springtime!

If you are like me, then you are really looking forward to longer, warmer and drier days. As we approach lent, we begin in winter but end in spring, and perhaps our faith can also follow the rhythm of nature. Lent is an opportunity to make space for God, when we deny ourselves some pleasures to more eagerly seek the Lord. This can be testing and a battle against our own desire for comfort and satisfaction.



There is a real purpose and blessing in self-denial that isn't about religion or self-flagellation! In our struggle in denial, we encounter God's grace and love in ways we would otherwise miss. This is an important, even essential part of our faith as Jesus says in Matthew 16 v 24 :-

*Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. (ESV)*

So, if you are looking for growth this springtime, can I encourage you to give something up for lent. Just ask God to help you decide what would be good for you and then trust him when the absence of it makes you long for it more. At least two things will happen. Firstly, you will find that God can meet you in your longing and replace it with himself. Psalm 84 says this:-

1 How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!  
2 My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord;  
my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.  
You will find a greater joy in the Lord.

Secondly, you will enjoy that which you gave up so much more than usual. This has been my experience with giving up wine, or food.

Also, this Lent do join in with one of the courses on offer across the Christ our Light congregations. The Lectio course is very good and some of us have done it recently. So, as an alternative, you can come to look at the importance and power of praise in the book of Psalms at St Hilda's. It will focus on meeting God in the wilderness and in a place of abundance.

Whatever you do, go deeper with Jesus this Lent and Easter and discover a greater joy with it.

**Andy**

## **FEBRUARY SERVICES**

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February:

### ***Epiphany 4 (Micah 6.1-8, Matthew 5.1-12)***

10.30 am St Mary Morning Worship: Phil Saltmarsh & James H-F

11.00 am St Nicholas Holy Communion: Andy & Jen Radford

6.30 pm St Nicholas Evening Worship: Adam Grey

11.00 am St Hilda Morning Worship: Matthew Hargreaves

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February:

9.30 am St Nicholas Holy Communion: Andy Radford

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February:

### ***Epiphany 5/Candlemas (Isaiah 58.1-9a, Matthew 5.13-20)***

10.30 am St Mary Holy Communion: Gareth Morgan

11.00 am St Nicholas GMJC/Parade: Matthew Hargreaves

6.30 pm St Nicholas ***Baptism/Total immersion: All***

11.00 am St Hilda Morning Worship: Andy Radford

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February:

9.30 am St Nicholas Holy Communion: Gareth Morgan

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> February:

### ***Epiphany 6 (2 Peter 1.16-21, Matthew 17.1-9)***

11.00 am St Mary Morning Worship/Baptisms: James H-F

11.00 am St Nicholas Morning Worship: Helen McGuinness

6.30 pm St Nicholas Holy Communion: David Goodwin

11.00 am St Hilda Morning Worship: Andy Radford

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February:

### ***ASH WEDNESDAY***

6.30 pm All Saints, Speke: Phil Saltmarsh & Helen McGuinness

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February:

9.30 am St Nicholas Morning Worship: James H-F

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February:

### ***Lent 1 (Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7, Matthew 4.1-11)***

10.30 am St Mary GMJC: Mike Sutcliffe & Marrison Thorpe

11.00 am St Nicholas Morning Worship: James H-F

1.00 pm St Nicholas Baptisms: James H-F

6.30 pm St Nicholas Evening Worship: Carol Burke

11.00 am St Hilda Holy Communion: Gareth Morgan

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February:

9.30 am St Nicholas Holy Communion: Gareth Morgan

**Prayers** - If you would like us to include someone in prayers on a Sunday morning and/or evening, there is a book at the back of each church to which you can add names. Please ask the duty warden/steward.

## PARISH WALK

Yesterday, the 24<sup>th</sup> January, 20 hardy types met at the Centre for a Church Walk event at Delamere Forest. It was around 7C, with a chill factor down to 2C, and an easterly wind, gusting at 35mph.

Come what may, Penni Conlon's walks continue to attract new walkers, this time we had one of her neighbours join the group, along with her son, who is at University. He probably dropped the average age range of the group considerably.



Although we have done Delamere Forest lots of times, it is still a lovely day out. Because of the numbers, we went straight to the larger venue of Delamere's Forest Café, had our pre walk break then off past "Go Ape" to Blakemere Moss Lake. It's described as a scenic, re-flooded wetland in the heart of Delamere Forest, Cheshire, forming a popular habitat for birds like herons and geese.

Sheltered by the trees, we breezed around the lake, dancing around

walkers, horses, dogs and bicycles as we went.

It was then decision time as to who would settle at the Café and who would tackle Old Pale Hill, described as a 176 metre high "hard" short walk, offering panoramic views of 7 counties.

We were 16 strong this time and went at various paces up the hill. It was still glorious at the top, with the gusting east wind adding an exhilarating twist to the scene.



I gloated to myself coming down, as it's the only time I'm faster than my wife Jane, who had romped up the hill.

We were soon back at the car park marvelling at what a lovely winters day it had been. Thanks' Penni.

Geoff



## NEXT PARISH WALK

The next walk will be on February 21st.

Meet at St Nicholas at 10am ⌚ as usual.

From there to Dobbies for pre walk refreshments.

Then drive to Sefton Park for Sefton, Greenbank and Sudley walk.

Stop for snack at Sudley on the veranda.

Hope that sounds ok to everyone?

Might be muddy in parts. The field at Sudley does get rather soggy sometimes.

Roughly 5 miles in length and the only hill really will be a downhill one.

*Please contact Penni on 07990953334 for further details.*

## Live Steaming of services on YouTube

Thanks to some grant funding from Community Foundation Merseyside, we have installed cameras in St Nicholas' to enable us to live stream services on YouTube. The YouTube channel is called St Nicholas St Mary's Halewood Team and the direct link is: <https://bit.ly/halewood-ecumenical>



We are streaming Sunday and Thursday morning services live and it is also available for you to watch later. You may wish to make use of this if you are unable to attend church in person for any reason.

If you subscribe to our YouTube Channel (It's free) it will make it easier to access in future.

## BAPTISMS AT ST NICHOLAS – JANUARY 2026

January 25<sup>th</sup>:

Hayden Rougeolle

Luci Ann Magee

| Funerals at St Nicholas' in December 2025 and January 2026 |                               |        |                    |
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|  |                               |        |                    |
| 7 December   | John Thomas Monaghan          | Age 78 | Burial of ashes    |
| 12 December  | Sharon Anne Jones             | Age 65 | Burial of ashes    |
| 16 December  | Juanita (Nita) Jones          | Age 87 | Funeral and burial |
| 18 December  | Brenda Penketh                | Age 93 | Funeral            |
| 21 January   | Ruth Williams (aka Sue Black) | Age 70 | Funeral            |

### Debris in our ditch

There is a long history of problems associated with the drainage of water from the area surrounding the St Nicholas Church car park. It has certainly been a problem as long as I've been here. A silting up of the ditch alongside the car park has been cited as a potential cause of the problem.

Olly Harrison, our local farmer, turned up just before Christmas to tackle the problem. It proved to be a mammoth task and a really dirty job, with tons and tons of debris being lifted out of the ditch with Olly's digger. Along with the silt, were several bicycles, traffic cones, gas bottles and other waste items. On several occasions water began to flood down the ditch as various drainage channels were unblocked. When clearing the excess silt an increased bonus was achieved as two car park spaces were extended by about 3 metres. Olly has a blog on YouTube called "Olly Blogs" and he filmed the episode to show on his blog. His blog has proved to be a very popular thing, as it offers a wonderful window into farming life.

At times like this I realise how lucky we are to have such a strong church and community link with Olly and his dad Tom. They often help us out with their farming no how, muscle and industrial machinery. A big thank you to both.



Gareth



## 14th February – Aspects of Romantic Love

God obviously approves of romance – after all, putting Adam and Eve alone together in the Garden of Eden was His idea.

The history of the Israelites began with three great romances: Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, and Jacob and Rachel. The on-going history of Israel was deeply affected by later romances: Esther and King Xerxes, David's love affair with Bathsheba, and Solomon's marriage to hundreds of foreign wives. There is even an entire book in the Old Testament devoted to human love: the Song of Solomon!

When we reach the New Testament, we find real love between Joseph and Mary (even when Joseph thought Mary had been faithless, he did not want to harm her). St Paul, though himself a bachelor, nevertheless spent a lot of time urging Christians to love and be kind and faithful and considerate to their spouses. He even wrote 1 Corinthians 13 – the great love chapter that is read at millions of weddings worldwide 2000 years later.

Down the centuries ever since, romantic love has been critical in shaping history (Anthony and Cleopatra), in shaping cultural ideals (King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table). Some of our favourite stories are built on romance. (Puccini's *Tosca*, Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*, Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*, Charlotte Brontë's *Jane Eyre*.)

Today, romance is still alive and well in Britain – last year we sent about 25 million Valentines to each other.

And what of the future? Well, just as the Bible begins with a love story, so it ends with one. And *you are involved!* For actually the greatest Love Story of all time is that between God and his people.

Christ is described in Revelation as our heavenly Bridegroom, and the Church is His beloved Bride. He has given us the most expensive present of all – Himself. And, just as in all the best romances, the story will end with the bride and groom getting together at last, so at the End of Time, Christ will return for His Bride.

## Winnie the Pooh and Lent 2026

*Editor: By the Revd Roy Shaw, a retired but active priest in the diocese of York, where he is a spiritual director.*

Remember the Winnie the Pooh stories? And Kanga's insistence on Baby Roo's taking his Strengthening Medicine? It's 'really quite a nice taste when you get used to it', she explained, although I'm not convinced Baby Roo always agreed.

It can be helpful to think of Lent as a sort of medicine; an opportunity to strengthen us in the things that are good, rein in other facets of our personality, and reset the compass to the true North of following Jesus. A Spring-clean of the soul, if you like.

Baby Roo (and Piglet on the one occasion he was subject to it) found Strengthening Medicine not to their liking, and we may groan inwardly at the thought of 'giving up something for Lent'. Think of what lies behind this 'giving up'. It's so that we may be strengthened, our character refined, our prejudices examined, our junk thrown overboard, and we may come to Passiontide and Easter more fit to walk the way of the Cross, and rise in new life with Jesus at His Resurrection.

Nor is Lent just a case of giving up chocolate. One year I gave up Facebook for Lent, having spent far too much time scrolling through it each day. It freed me to do other, more constructive things. And instead of giving up, why not take up something you've been meaning to do but never got round to; something life-affirming, something good for God.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which this year falls on 18<sup>th</sup> February. Many Christians go public with their intention to keep a good Lent by being 'ashed'- the sign of the Cross made on the forehead in a mixture of ash and holy oil at a special service that day. The ash is usually the burnt remains of the palm crosses from last year. Having been ashed, the intention of the 40 days of Lent is to maintain a steady course closer to God, symbolised by the giving up of something – like chocolate – which has a hold on us. We walk with Jesus on the way to the Cross, mindful of the 'riches of God's kindness, forbearance and patience' as St Paul has it, and mindful too of Jesus' choice of the Cross as a way for us to enter those riches more fully.

And to face the immensity of that sacrifice, and the immensity of God's riches made available to us in Jesus, we need all the Strengthening Medicine we can get! *Thank you Parish Pump!*

## MEN'S GROUP

We had our fifth men's group event and our final one for the year on the 29<sup>th</sup> November at Delamere Forest.

We met at St Nicholas Centre and car shared to Whitefield Car Park at Delamere. We were pleasantly surprised by fair weather, although the forecast



had been quite



doubtful. It was a select group of nine, no doubt influenced by the commitments families have as we start the lead up to Christmas.

We had chosen the Whitefield Trail, because of a Stick Man/Gruffalo event on the lake side of the road, thinking it might be too busy over there. After a quick selfie, we were off.

We had some people I would describe as "easy walkers" in our group and it soon became evident that they had sufficient propulsion, even up the hills, without having to remove hands from pockets. The Rev Andy Radford was normally out in front, just like his Arsenal football team are currently placed in the Premier League.

I've heard another good walker also describe the day as a walk in the park. We got around the route so quick we did another lap for good measure.

We were a few minutes from the car park when we realised that raindrops were falling on our heads, so we quickly got back into our cars and drove to the very welcoming Vale Royal Abbey Arms, just a couple of miles further along the road into Cheshire.



We had been blessed with decent weather and we soon found that the choice of venue for our meal was inspired. The food was lovely; e.g. Venison Casserole etc.

Using a re-cycled quiz, we tackled that after our meal and the man in front on the walk also proved too good for the rest of us in the quiz. Armed with his prize he led us off home, warm, joyful, exercised and well fed.

"Talking as we walked was a great way to get to know each other better and to enjoy fellowship. Definitely an activity we will do again".

Mark, Jason, and Geoff

## NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

### "Encountering God in John" – A Day with Professor David F. Ford

Come together at Liverpool Cathedral on 7th February for a day of teaching, prayer and reflection as we explore John's Gospel this Lent and beyond.



Our guide for the day is Professor David F. Ford, Regius Professor of Divinity Emeritus at the University of Cambridge and an internationally renowned expert on John's Gospel. Professor Ford is the author of *The Gospel of John* (2021) and *Meeting God in John*, a companion for Lent, Easter and beyond.

- **Location:** St Aidens Centre in St James House
- **Cost:** £10 (to cover hot drinks, biscuits and heating)
- **Lunch:** Please bring a packed lunch, or visit the Welsford Bistro in the Cathedral during the lunch break
- **What to bring:** A Bible

- **Parking:** Available on Queen's Walk or in the Diocesan car park accessed via St James Road (20 St James Rd, Liverpool L1 7BY). Please remember to pay for parking before leaving.

To enquire about tickets **please visit the Diocesan website.**



## DATES TO REMEMBER AND GROUPS

**Next Vestry Date for Wedding and Baptism enquiries – 19<sup>th</sup> February 2026 7.00 - 7.45 pm at St Nicholas Centre.**

Our email address for weddings is. [halewoodparishweddings@gmail.com](mailto:halewoodparishweddings@gmail.com)

Please use this to contact our Wedding Secretaries -

Our Baptism Secretary's email address is [halewood.baptisms@yahoo.com](mailto:halewood.baptisms@yahoo.com)



### **Full Immersion Baptism**

On Sunday 8th February at 6.30 pm we will be holding another Full Immersion Baptism Service at St Nic's. If you would like to be baptised by full immersion, or renew your baptism vows, please speak to Gareth, Andy or James as soon as possible.

### **Save the Date – Ladies' Social Evening**

We are delighted to announce our next ladies' social evening, which will take place on **Friday 13th February**.

This will be a **Cakes and Crafts** themed evening, with plenty of opportunity to chat, relax, and enjoy time together.

This is a **Halewood community event** and all are very welcome.

♀ **Venue:** St Mary's Church, Leathers Lane, Halewood, Liverpool, L26 9TS

🕒 **Time:** 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm

**Tickets are £6** and can be reserved or purchased from **Amii, Jane, Tracy, or Vanessa**.

We hope you will be able to join us to share this special evening of fellowship & fun together.  
*"A sweet friendship refreshes the soul."* — Proverbs 27:9

### **Confirmation Service**

The Autumn 2025 Confirmation had to be postponed for reasons beyond our control. We now have the date set for Sunday 22nd March at 6.30 pm at St Mary's. Confirmation is open to children who are Year 6 and above and to adults. If you or your child wishes to be confirmed, please speak to Gareth, Andy or James as soon as possible.

***Please check the details of the groups and volunteers below and let me know if any of them have changed. Thank you, Margaret.***

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### **Halewood Mothers' Union**

*Our Mothers' Union meets on the first Thursday afternoon of each month from 2.00 pm at the St Nicholas' Centre. Sadly numbers in the group are dwindling and they would love to welcome some new members. The group has a programme of guest speakers and other events throughout the year. You don't have to be a mother to be a member and men (known as Muscle men) are also welcome. For more information, please speak to Georgina McQueen.*

### **Knowsley Older People's Fun Olympics (K.O.P.F.O.)**

*Are you aged 50 or over, looking to take part in an activity, and meet new friends? Why not come and join us at our weekly activity sessions held at the Halewood Leisure Centre, Baileys Lane, Halewood, L26 0TY.*

*We meet every Thursday from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. Amongst the activities we play are:*

- *Badminton*
- *Boccia (a game like bowls but played sitting down with soft leather balls)*
- *Indoor Bowls*
- *Curling*
- *Table Tennis*
- *Dominoes*
- *Draughts*
- *Scrabble*

*The sessions are aimed at encouraging you to be active, socialise and having fun at the same time, so please come along where you will be made very welcome and quickly become one of the group. Cost is 90 pence per week. For further information, please ring Sue, a member of the team, on 0151 487 0974.*

### **Bible Study**

Wednesday evenings, 7.30 pm at Mark and Vanessa Harrison's house.

All are welcome to come and study God's Word, learning together in an informal setting.

If you would like more details please contact us on [ness.harrison@gmail.com](mailto:ness.harrison@gmail.com)

### **Community Connect (formerly Warm Hub)**

Join us every Thursday at 10.00 am in St Nicholas' Church for tea, coffee, juice and toast!  
And every Monday 1.00 – 3.00 pm at St Mary's Church.

You will receive a warm welcome! Volunteers always needed! Please speak to James.

## Elevate - New Youth Club for should Years 5 - 8

Elevate is a new youth club for those in Years 5 - 8 on a Sunday night from 6.00 pm to 7.15 pm in St Nic's Parish Centre. There'll be games and activities, real talk and faith discussions and a space to belong. For more information contact James on [jameshf.parish@gmail.com](mailto:jameshf.parish@gmail.com) or just turn up this Sunday night. Parents will still need to attend the evening service to obtain a scan-in for schools' applications.

## THRIVE — our new youth group!

We have started a brand new youth group for **Years 9 - 13** called **Thrive**.

It's a place to hang out, have fun, and explore life and faith together.

We'll be kicking off with the **Youth Alpha Course** — real talk, good vibes, and plenty of snacks!

 **Sunday, 7:30 - 9:00pm**  **St Nicks Centre, Halewood**

Please pray for this exciting new group — and spread the word to any teens who might want to come along! **Contact:** James - [jameshf.parish@gmail.com](mailto:jameshf.parish@gmail.com) | **07954 857 058**

**HALEWOOD ART CLUB** - EXPERT GUIDANCE AND TUITION FROM LOCAL PROFESSIONAL ARTIST, ANTHONY SMITH. BEGINNERS WELCOME!

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## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Both of our churches rely on the generosity of members of our congregation in giving up their time to volunteer in all kinds of ways. At St Nicholas and St Mary's we are very blessed with the number of volunteers we do have but there is always room for more.

Below is a list of some of the volunteering opportunities you might like to consider, a rough idea of what the time commitment might be and, where possible, details of whom to contact for further information. The list is not exhaustive and doesn't include roles which might require some specialist knowledge, such as finance skills, HR skills etc.

### **Reading and Leading Prayers at Services - Both Churches**

On a rota, approximately once or twice a quarter.

Speak to Gill Dover at St Mary's or Alison Shacklady at St Nicholas'.

### **Sidespersons - Both Churches**

Meeting and greeting people, giving out and collecting in service sheets, taking collection, tidying up after services.

On a rota approximately once or twice a quarter

Speak to wardens/steward.

### **Communion Stewards (St Mary's)**

To help set up Communion and assist with administering Communion (2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday).

On a rota once a quarter.

### **Baptism Sponsors**

At the moment just at St Nicholas' (but we would welcome a couple of volunteers for this role at St Mary's for the occasional baptism services which happen there).

Support families during Baptism services (1.00 pm on fourth Sunday of the month).

Approximately 3 or 4 times a year.

Contact Sally Moore, Baptism Secretary on [halewood.baptisms@yahoo.com](mailto:halewood.baptisms@yahoo.com)

### **Tea and Coffee before morning services at St Nicholas' and after morning services at St Mary's**

On a rota, approximately two or three times a quarter.

Speak to wardens/steward.

### **Church Cleaning**

St Nicholas' Friday mornings approx. 10.15 - 11.00 am.

Speak to Georgina McQueen or Lyn Green.

St Mary's - date and time can be arranged to suit.

Speak to Gill Dover or Jen Hargreaves.

### **Work with Children and Young People - All roles need a DBS check and Safeguarding training**

Creche and Junior Church at St Mary's and St Nicholas' operate three Sundays per month during term times.

Help required on a rota basis.

For St Mary's contact Laura Fisher- [laura\\_burke\\_09@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:laura_burke_09@hotmail.co.uk) or Emma Rooney [emma.creasy@btinternet.com](mailto:emma.creasy@btinternet.com)

For St Nicholas Junior Church contact Hayley McShane [hayleymcshane84@gmail.com](mailto:hayleymcshane84@gmail.com)

After School Clubs at St Mary's contact Mike Sutcliffe [mike.circuitchildren@gmail.com](mailto:mike.circuitchildren@gmail.com)

Sunday evening children's and youth groups, Elevate/Thrive contact James Hutchinson Feguson [jameshf.parish@gmail.com](mailto:jameshf.parish@gmail.com)

Volunteers are also often needed to help with Uniformed Organisations (Rainbows/Brownies/Guides).

Contact via <http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/>

### **Gardening/Churchyard clearance**

Occasional gardening working parties at both churches.

St Nicholas' contact Geoff Bullen [geoffbullen@btinternet.com](mailto:geoffbullen@btinternet.com)

St Mary's contact Pam Boffey [pam.boffey@hotmail.com](mailto:pam.boffey@hotmail.com) or Dave Crerar [d.r.crerar@btinternet.com](mailto:d.r.crerar@btinternet.com)

### **Community Connect**

St Mary's Church Monday afternoons 12.30 - 2.30 pm on a rota basis approx. once a month.

St Nicholas' Church Thursday mornings 10.00 am - 12 midday on a rota basis approx. once a month

Serving tea/coffee and toast and chatting to visitors.

Speak to James Hutchinson Feguson [jameshf.parish@gmail.com](mailto:jameshf.parish@gmail.com)

### **Baby Bank**

St Mary's Saturday mornings 10-12. Sorting donated items and helping visitors find suitable baby items.

Speak to Jen Hargreaves [jen@mattharg.co.uk](mailto:jen@mattharg.co.uk)

**Come reign in me**

Oh God, who made the world so fair,  
And formed the earth, the sky, the sea;  
Who gave us ears, and eyes, and minds,  
To hear, to see, to know all love is thee.

Oh God, who in the Lord Jesus,  
Gave us a light to light our way;  
Let our life's lamp be lit by Him  
Whose strength will see us safely through each day.

Oh God, whose Spirit gave us birth,  
And holds all life secure, e'en mine;  
Take all I am, and all I have,  
less and redeem them for they both are Thine.

Oh God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One;  
Blessed be Thy name, come reign in me,  
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