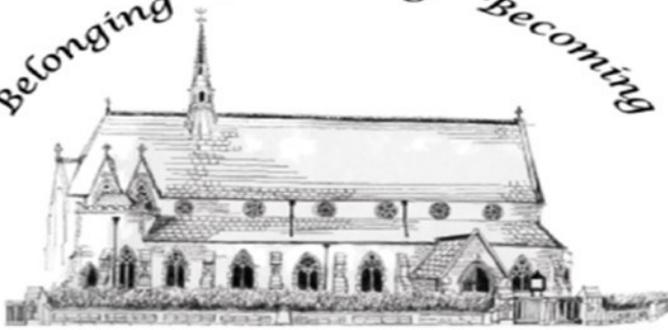




Belonging Believing Becoming



All are welcome, everyone belongs!

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK — Chris Jones

Every year at this time of year as we think about our mothers, I remember my own mum who was very dear to me.

She was the person who held our family together in good times and bad. She devoted her life to the family at a time when many mothers didn't work outside the home. She was there when my father was at work. She was there to take me, my 2 sisters and brother to school and there to feed us and listen to our problems. For many years, she was the hub of the family.

On the day she died, I was involved in a big centenary service at the school at Ormskirk where I was serving as vicar. I had to go to this commemorative service, so couldn't go down immediately when my sister rang to tell me how ill she was. We got to the hospital shortly after she died.

Afterwards, we stayed down to help dad with the funeral arrangements and went back for the service and again to scatter her ashes by the sea. I will always have special memories of her as I am sure is the case for many of you for your mothers.

Although we don't have children ourselves there are many people, relatives and church members, whom we have acted as kind of parents to them. We have also had surrogate parents who have cared for us.

But we must never forget that God is our heavenly father and is like a parent to us.

In your daily prayers, please remember especially the following members of our church family:

- Stephanie Cater, Brian Fairclough, Sarah Russell, Dorothy Williams, Mike Oswald, Janet Humphries, Sue Kirby, Lesley Davies, Agnes Yarwood, Peter Fallows, Bernadette Hallman, Alf & Maureen Fairclough, Carol Swinyard, David Brooks, Catherine Howe, Rob Scott, Rob MacDonald, Roger Jenkins, David Mason, Dave Smyth, Gwyneth Shackleton, Gordon Orritt, Stuart Prendergast, Adam, Ellie Clark, Anne & Joe Johnson, Cathrine Munikwa, Gill Sanderson, Chris Oxley, Joanne Duthie, Lol Crilly, Susan Ellis and the bereaved family & friends of Rev. Joan Foster



Names for this prayer list can be e-mailed to: stnicspa@gmail.com

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www.stnicholasblundellsands.org and  [stnicholaschurchblundellsands](https://www.facebook.com/stnicholaschurchblundellsands)

LATEST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



We will be hosting one of our popular Quiz Nights on **Friday 20th March at 7pm**. Teams of up to 8 people are very welcome!

Cheese, chutney and crackers will be provided, but please bring your own drinks, nibbles and glasses!

Tickets are £5 for adults (children are free) and are available from Derek at derekp99@gmail.com or text to 07799037470 with the number of tickets required.

Please also advise him of any food intolerances/dietary requirements



As we approach Easter, we will be collecting small eggs (e.g Creme eggs and similar sized of all varieties) netted chocolates (like bunnies and eggs) and Easter themed sweets, for the Foodbank.

If you would like to donate, please bring your gifts to church and put them in the Foodbank box. Your kindness will make a big difference to those in our area who may not otherwise receive an Easter treat.

The last day to donate will be Sunday 29th March.



Please note that Picnic Praise is not on this week and a break for Easter will follow.

It will be back on Sunday 3rd May!



Here is the latest blog from our CMS partners, Jon and Elise:

[The 'Snack Tax' – SlumBlog](#)

PRAYER OF THE MONTH



Prayer For March

God of light and life, please bless us this month. Help us to persist in drawing close to you in prayer, companionship and worship. Help us to take your kindness and generosity to everyone around us in our attitudes, words and service. Please make us more like you.

Amen.

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OUR REGULAR SERVICES/EVENTS

SUNDAYS

8.30am - Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer on **1st Sunday** of each month)

10.30am - Eucharist

10:30am All Age Service on **2nd Sunday** of each month (No Eucharist)

4.30pm - Picnic Praise on **1st and 3rd Sundays** of each month.

MONDAYS

6:00pm – Prayers together in the council chamber

WEDNESDAYS

9:00am -10:00am Church is open for private prayer

10:15am - Eucharist and Bible Study

THURSDAYS

9:00 am - 1:00pm - 'Soupa Thursday'.
Tea/coffee, toast, soup, company and chat

6:00pm - 7:00pm - Bridge Youth Group



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THIS MONTH'S RULE FOR LIFE

**Called to pray, read and learn.
Sent to tell, serve and give.**

Suggestions for March...

Read our Deanery Lent Reflections each day - in the booklets, on our website or our Facebook page

Pray - for each church pictured on the front of the Reflections

Learn - a new person's name every time you come to church

Tell - your family and friends and neighbours about our wellbeing services, the next Party Sunday on 29th March and our Holy Week get together and invite them along.

Serve - consider what roles or rotas you might like to contribute to as we prepare for our annual meeting in April

Give - what you can afford each week or month to support St Nic's community work

Please e-mail items for newsletter

(by Wednesday 9 a.m.)

to: stnicspa@gmail.com



Our 10:30 Sunday Service is
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Palm Sunday 29th March 2pm - 5pm

Party Sunday!

Holy Week (Mon, Tues, Wed) 7pm

Meditations

Maundy Thursday 7pm

L23 Maundy Thursday service at All Saints & St. Frideswyde's

Good Friday 2pm

An hour at the cross

Easter Sunday 8:30am and 10:30am

Easter Eucharist



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