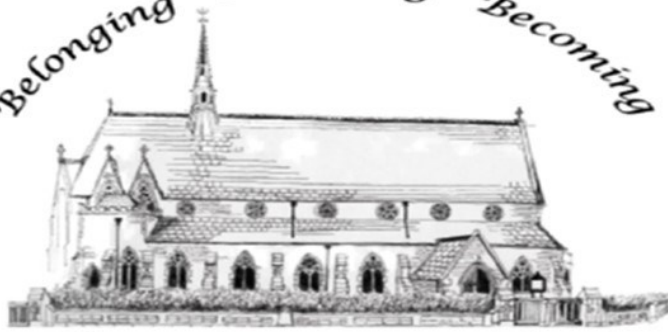




Belonging Believing Becoming



All are welcome, everyone belongs!

NEWSLETTER
31st May2026

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK — Shirley

As preparations are made for the next Well-Being service this Sunday, I'd like to encourage you all to come along.

Everyone's welcome to join an alternative style of worship with music, readings, prayers and activities, engaging with each other and with our God who cares for us all. To round it off there will be refreshments including cake!

I've been enjoying time in my little garden recently weeding, watering and replenishing pots with new plants while enjoying seeing established ones reappearing. I have a beautiful "Golden Wedding" rose; it's a sunny yellow with a lovely perfume. Every time I hang washing on the line I sniff its buds appreciating the scent as well as the beauty of its colour and delicate petals. It brings me peace and joy and contributes to my mental, physical and spiritual well-being. My Mum had a small plaque in her flower bed which said, "You are nearer to God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth."

St Nicholas' Church is our spiritual garden, a place where we can be together sharing God's rejuvenating love for Him and each other. Please take a walk around church and admire the grounds tended so lovingly by Pat and Ian. Don't forget to look at the beautiful wildflower garden adjacent to Mersey Road – it's a dazzling display of gorgeous colour.

So in the words of Mary Davies –

*"Bring love wherever you go,
Shine light wherever it's dark.
Leave blessings wherever you've been
Be kind wherever you are"*

Until next time - remember the Food Banks providing for those who are vulnerable and in need. Hug your loved ones, look for simple pleasures and always be grateful for all that you have. God bless.

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 MacDonald, Roger Jenkins, David Mason, Dave Smyth, Gwyneth Shackleton, Gordon Orritt, Stuart Prendergast, Adam, Ellie Clark, Anne & Joe Johnson, Gill Sanderson, Joanne Duthie, Lol Crilly, Elaine Tiscornia, Christopher Jones, Peggy Furmage, John and Simon & Crystal



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

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Keep up to date online with our church family at:
www.stnicholasblundellsands.org and [stnicholaschurchblundellsands](https://www.facebook.com/stnicholaschurchblundellsands)

LATEST CHURCH FAMILY NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Our next WellBeing service is **this Sunday 31st May at 10:30am**. There will still be our usual 8:30am service on this day.

We do hope you will join us!

If you haven't been to one before, please do come along and enjoy worship, fellowship, songs and activities in an informal setting.

Refreshments are available throughout.



ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH WEBSITE: Joyce Batey is retiring from voluntary position as website administrator at the end of August after nearly 15 years in the role.

During this time the website has been designed to inform the congregation, and wider community, of services, who's who, upcoming special events, church groups - plus a lot more. It also acts as the shop window for St. Nicholas for anyone moving into the area looking for a local church or for someone to rediscover their faith.

The PCC are urgently looking for someone to take over this vital position. If you are looking for a rewarding and developmental role, and have some knowledge of how the church operates, then please get in touch with Joyce or Beth. Feel free to ask questions. Training and support will be given.

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Do explore the website www.stnicholasblundellsands.org to familiarise yourself with its content.

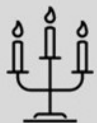


Our next Songs Of Praise service will be held on **Sunday 14th June at 10:30am**.

This uplifting service will feature members of our church family speaking about hymns that mean a lot to them and why.

Please do join us!

PRAYER OF THE MONTH



Prayer For May

Asking for God's 'mighty resurrection power' in our daily lives (borrowed from Ffald Y Brenin morning prayer)

Almighty God, in view of your great mercy to us we lay our lives down as a morning (afternoon or evening!) sacrifice to you. Choosing to die to self, we ask you to pour your mighty resurrection power through us so that Jesus might be revealed and your kingdom come in power, changing us and redeeming the world.

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 May...

Pray for 5 people whom you would like to know Jesus' love for themselves.

Read Acts – it's a rip-roaring story of God's people working in his power

Learn what your family and friends think about God and church.

Tell those 5 people you are praying for them during May

Serve yourself a quiet 5 minutes whenever you can to rest in God's presence, thank him for blessings and bring him your thoughts.

Give - please consider what you might be able to give to St Nic's church in these times of financial strain. There will be more information coming out.

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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The Larger Single Parish (LSP) will soon be deciding on its name from all the suggestions submitted. Safeguarding Officers and Church Wardens from across the churches have met and are looking forward to working closely together in mutual support.

The Treasurers will be meeting soon. There is coaching being made available for the clergy – as a group and individually if wanted. There is room for more volunteers to get involved on the Comms team and on the Right Buildings team. A date for the next joint service will soon be announced.

Please keep a close eye on our Fit for Mission notice board at the back of church.



Do come with us to be part of Kate's Ordination to the priesthood at **3pm on Saturday 20th June in Liverpool Anglican Cathedral.**

The following Sunday (21st June) in the 10.30am service at St Luke's Crosby Kate will be celebrating communion for the first time. We are going to join in this wonderful celebration at St Luke's so **THERE WILL BE NO 10.30AM SERVICE AT ST NICHOLAS ON 21ST JUNE!**

There will be 8.30am communion service here but we will be at St Luke's for the 10.30am service.



Advance notice that we will be holding a Pet Blessing Service on **Sunday 28th June.**

Further details will follow, but we look forward to seeing you all and your four legged friends!

Soupa Thursday

Tea, coffee, cakes, biscuits
toast, soup and toasties,
company and chat.

Food served 9am to 1pm

Pay as you can!

All are welcome - everyone belongs!

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Warm Spaces

a space for community
and warmth in Sefton

in partnership with

In St Nicholas small
hall – best accessed
through the rear
carpark.