

St Mildred's



Serving the community in the love of Christ

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Second Sunday of Advent, 2017.

I would like to take this opportunity to tell you a little more about the arrangements for worship in the first half of 2018. You will no doubt be well aware that the renovation and reordering of St. Mildred's is set to begin, having now reached the stage where legal permission has been obtained, funds secured, and contractors appointed by our Parochial Church Council. Here are a few useful dates:-

Sunday 7 th January	Worship as normal
Sunday 14 th January	Last services in church
Sunday 21 st January	All services from this day onwards will be held in our Church Centre for approximately 6 months. Entrance will be via the right-hand door by the Parish Office

Sunday 8am Holy Communion

This will be held every Sunday in the **Music Room** from 21st January

Sunday 10am Parish Communion

This will be held every Sunday in the **Large Hall** which will be arranged by teams of helpers arriving at 9am each week. Sunday School will meet in the **Pavilion**. Refreshments will be available after the service from the Concourse hatch and enjoyed in both the Concourse and Large Hall once chairs have been moved.

Sunday Cafe Church

This will continue on a monthly basis in the **Large Hall** but will start at the slightly earlier time of **11.30am**. On these Sundays the 10am service will finish at around 11am and refreshments will be served for both congregations at the same time.

Sunday Choral Evensong will not take place during this time.

Weekday services

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion will take place in the **Cedar Room**.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

All Baptisms will take place at the 10am service in the Large Hall using a portable font. Any Funerals or Weddings for members of St. Mildred's Church or Parish will take place at other licensed neighbouring Anglican churches by arrangement.

Although this will undoubtedly feel strange at first, my hope is that we will quickly become accustomed to where things are going on and at what time. This will demand a high level of patience, some 'give and take' between different Churchgoers and Centre-users, a good sense of humour, along with the spiritual gift of 'generosity of heart' as we journey through this together. And – who knows – we may even gain from the experience in terms of getting to know each other better and our nature as a 'Church on the move'!

Rev. Roger Hagon. Vicar.