## Social Activities

#### **Chatty Tuesdays**

A chance to make new friends, enjoy a cuppa and some cake, plus lots of activities including:

- Bingo
- Speakers
- Quizzes
- Craft
- Dominoes
- · Light lunches

Every Tuesday 11am-12.30pm, Community Hall

All welcome, whatever age. We ask for a voluntary donation of £1 each week but we don't want it to be a barrier to anyone joining us.

### **Book Group**

Meeting on the *3rd Tuesday of the month*, *8pm* in our Community Hall. We aim to read a book each month, and meet to discuss over refreshments (wine and non-alcoholic drinks).

Look out on our noticeboards and social media for other seasonal social and charity activities including "Sundae Sunday" (summer), Christmas Fair, and Christian Aid "Big Brekkie".

# Safeguarding

We aim to create safe environments, where children and young people are nurtured and protected; and where all people, and especially those who may be vulnerable for any reason, are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety. We follow the national legal and procedural framework for safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, and Church of England policy and practice.

If you have a concern and need to make contact about a safeguarding issue, please contact one of the Safeguarding Officers: Judy Fletcher (07795 217 637) or Leslie Bell

## Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals

Our Rector Mark is always happy to discuss how we can enable you to mark or celebrate these important life events. You can email or phone to arrange to discuss and plan your service.

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# St Chad's Ladybarn



Welcome to St Chad's Church, Ladybarn in South Manchester, part of the Church of England Diocese of Manchester. We're an inclusive, diverse liberal catholic parish gathering to worship and encounter God, & endeavouring to serve our neighbourhood.



Our church serves a parish with a diverse make-up of retired adults, young families, students and many others. We're close to the university campus, in the heart of Ladybarn, and near Withington High Street.

We are members of Inclusive Church and fully welcome all people whatever their sex, gender identity, ethnicity, sexuality, age, economic status or ability / disability.





## Who We Are

Our worship and ministry is enabled by many people who live our parish and beyond. We believe everyone has something to offer as well as to receive. Our ministry and leadership includes:

**Rector (priest):** Mark Hewerdine

Reader: Helen Reid

**Authorised** 

Lay Minister: Opal Walsh

Churchwarden: Robert Mataka

**Deputy Wardens:** Opal Walsh

Abhi Masih Leslie Fletcher

Sacristan: Kunle Ogunmoroti

Treasurer: Leslie Bell

Choir Director: Rachel Gilmore



## Worship & Prayer

#### Sundays

Our main service is a **10am Eucharist** using the contemporary language liturgy from "Common Worship". It includes receiving Holy Communion, sung hymns, and incense on major festivals. There is a 10-15 sermon; the service lasts just over an hour.

Our children's corner provides space and activities for children to explore our readings and their faith creatively.

We enjoy refreshments after our morning service in our Community Hall.



#### Evensong

A sung service using the traditional language Book of Common Prayer.

1st of the month, 6.30pm

#### Still

A space for stillness & Christian Meditation, meeting for 1 hour including silence.

#### Midweek

**Holy Communion:** a short said service every Tuesday 10am in church.

**Online Morning Prayer:** every Thursday 9.30am on our Facebook page.

**Evening Prayer:** 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm in Community Hall.

# Learning & Growing

We provide opportunities to explore the Christian faith and discipleship outside of services. This often includes Bible study or exploring a particular person's writing.

We hold groups weekly during **Advent** (December) and **Lent** (February-March).

Our other study groups tend to meet weekly during May-July and September-October.

Subjects have included books by Rowan Williams & James Alison, exploring the life and letters of St Paul, and a Lent Course based on the musical "Hamilton"

Details are posted on notice sheets & social media.

## **Creation Care**

Our community wildlife garden was created from an unused section of the rectory garden.

Together with our community orchard, our grounds are a



flourishing environment for wildlife, fruit and herbs.

Two or three times a year a group of University of Manchester Student Volunteers assist us with maintenance and development and to learn about caring for managed wildlife gardens.

Our Green Group work on the garden and orchard most Wednesday afternoons and are happy to welcome newcomers to help.