

## Anglican Worship

### Leadership Team member



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#### Responsible for:

Developing our worship in St Mary's and St James', including identification of new preachers and worship leaders.

#### Highlights from 2017

<b>Parish Statistics</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
No of parishioners on Electoral Roll at AGM	205	201	195	198	207	205
Average church attendances:						
St James' 9am	36	38	37	37	36	37
St James' 6pm	17	16	14	15	16	17
St Mary's 8am BCP communion (suspended during vacancy)	0	8	10	11	12	12
St Mary's 10.30am - total	83	80	95	84	84	100
of whom, under 16	22	22	27	30	24	27
St Mary's Monthly Family Service - total	110	112	108	102	110	105
of whom, under 16	34	33	32	27	34	32
Monthly Midweek Communion (Church Centre)	14	15	16	19	21	23
Christmas attendances:						
Nine Lessons & Carols (St James')	96	89	92			
Midnight Communion (St James')	76	73	56			
Christmas Morning Communion (St James')	26	29	42			
Crib Service (St Mary's)	545	368	506	464		
of whom, under 16	231	154	217	202		
Carols for All (St Mary's)	281	315	265	303		
of whom, under 16	51	45	45	67		
Christmas Morning Communion (St Mary's)	103	111	127	115		
of whom, under 16	28	30	38	21		
No of Occasional Offices conducted by the Ministry Team during the year						

Weddings	5	13	9	11	8	13
Wedding Blessings	2	0	0	1		
Funerals (not including Memorial Services & interment of ashes)	28	29	30	43	36	38
Child Baptisms	22	25	24	28	31	27
Service of Naming & Blessing	0	0	2	0	3	1
Confirmations	0	0	3	0	4	0
Communion before Confirmation	0	3	0	5	2	6

- We continue to enjoy a wide variety of services and service leaders and preachers. Our 5 licensed preachers continue to deliver thoughtful and highly valued sermons at many of our services. Our 2 Worship leaders continued to lead occasional services or Morning and Evening Prayer at St James', while Discipleship groups led several services at St Mary's. We had speakers from the missionary organisations we support and continued to hold regular services with Prayers for Healing. St Mary's continued the pattern of united services with the URC, mainly during school holiday periods. Once again, these included 'cafe' style worship in the URC Hall. We have continued to hold a number of united Benefice/LEP services during the course of the year.
- Once again this year, all the midweek festival services were Benefice & LEP services. This will continue to be the pattern.
- The topic for Lent Course in 2017 was "Church and Kingdom". This was based upon Pilgrim Course material. Once again, following the introductory evening, the course was held in our regular Discipleship Groups.