



ST GEORGE'S EVERTON

Parish Profile 2024



‘A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY’

The role of Priest in Charge of St George’s Everton and Generation’s Project Co-Leader is an opportunity to lead a £1m investment to grow church especially focused on the ‘missing generation’ of 11-29 year olds. This is a unique opportunity for a leader whose heart beats a bit faster when faced with the challenge of growing the Kingdom of God in one of the poorest areas of England, especially amongst Generation Zs

Is this the sort of challenge that grabs you?

We are a church with welcome at its heart - a family of all ages and backgrounds. We’re informal, friendly - a bit rough around the edges, with Christ at the centre of all we do. There is huge opportunity for our new leader to build on this foundation, valuing all ages and life experiences, challenging us to step out in faith to reach those who are missing and to develop, encourage and build vibrant expressions of faith and hope at the heart of our communities.





Everton has the best views of Liverpool

OUR CONTEXT

EVERTON

People in Everton are rooted in the place they live, with their identities shaped by place and family relationships. Many people spend their whole lives here, with those who move away often keeping very strong ties to the community.

Everton continues to be one of the most disadvantaged wards in Liverpool. The impact of this long-term poverty can be clearly seen by the high levels of poor physical and mental health. Down the decades, many major decisions that negatively impacted Everton were made without the involvement or insight of the local community. Our history and context are important, and strongly influence what we do.

As with many urban estates, church attendance is lower than the national average, this is not due to an aversion to Christianity. Indeed, many residents expect the churches to be heavily involved in the community and welcome strong links.

Everton has a long history as a white working-class community which has become more diverse in the last 10 years. It is a strong community but a community under pressure. New outworking's of church need to be grounded in trust, respect, genuine friendship, and collaboration and anchored in God's spirit of love and justice.

'OUR COMMUNITY'

There is much to celebrate about Everton and our place in it: Everton Park with children's playgrounds, fitness, history trails, a wildflower meadow and - we're proud to say - the best views in Liverpool! We're also lucky to have two Premiership football clubs only a short walk away - with plenty of good-natured rivalry between those of competing loyalties within our congregation. Here are some of the key local organisations /groups:



**The Beacon
Church of England Primary**

The Beacon Church of England Primary School [website](#)

Learning Together, Following Jesus
We are incredibly proud to have a strong involvement with our neighbouring school that reflects Christian values and has been rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted. We have three Foundation Governors and we provide Collective Worship activities. *"moments are enriched through the involvement of the local church. The vicar is actively involved in the life of the school. Worship is led in church weekly."* [SIAMS 2024](#)



North Liverpool Academy [website](#) also neighbours the church teaching Yr7 to Sixth Form with over 1,200 pupils.

EAT

Everton & Anfield Together.

St Georges, working closely with Holy Trinity and Christchurch Anfield, a charity to offer basic requirements to people who live within these communities

The Albion

A well used community building next to St George's hosting a boxing club, gym and sports club

BNENC Breckfield North Everton

Neighbourhood Council (BNENC)

Community based voluntary organisation that provides practical help, advice, support and training with a Centre home to a number of organisations that provide help and support to local residents. [Here](#).



The Parish covers North Everton ward and parts of the Vauxhall wards [here](#).



Friends of Everton Park

A very pro-active community group investing in the park beside St George's.

Their work has seen major improvements within the park and encouraging activities such as the marathon and music festivals

THE LOST TRIBE OF EVERTON & SCOTTIE ROAD

A community linked through Everton life [Here](#)

See the Generation Project Proposal for community listening & research.

OUR CHURCH

“When I walk in, I feel at home”

A BEACON OF FAITH, LIVING AND LOVING LIKE JESUS



WELCOME

We aim to be a church which welcomes everyone who comes in; but, more than that, we want to reach out into the community, extending God's welcome to everyone we meet.



SHARING LOVE

We aim to be a church which has love at its core. Our Christian faith is expressed in our love of God and in our knowledge of his love for us. We want to share God's love with the people around us, and we want to show that love in all of our relationships.



SHARING WORSHIP

We aim to be a church which engages in meaningful and passionate worship of God through the whole of our lives. We love to meet with God in worship through prayer, the Bible and song. We believe when we encounter God we are changed.

CHURCH RHYTHMS

Traditionally we have Sunday services at 9am and 11am.

Our 9am Sunday service appeals to an adult congregation, being more traditional with time for prayer and quiet reflection.

At 11am things get a more informal and lively, with a mix of All Age Worship services, Morning Worship and Holy Communion, with provisions for our younger members.

Kids Church runs regularly during 11am services for children aged 5yrs & above, where the young people go off-site to the Beacon School for games, action songs, scripture and crafts.

We run Explore Groups during the week and hold standalone courses in the year like Alpha and the Start course. We have connections with New Wine and we hold an annual church Big Day Out each summer.



OUR CHURCH

“Definitely not a ‘high’ church. Love that tots are free to run up and down and no-one minds”

'OUR OUTREACH'

St George's Pantry

Providing local community access to affordable food, the Pantry opens every Friday led our dedicated volunteers.



Youth Group

Youth Group runs on a Sunday evening in partnership with Christchurch, Anfield.

Other current youth activities include: the annual Light Party, a Christmas nativity with community Christmas meal, Easter egg hunts and games nights.



SLAVERY & ST GEORGE'S WHO LIES HERE?

ST GEORGE'S EVERTON, HEYWORTH STREET, L5 3QG

Let's Laugh & Play with Friends

ST GEORGE'S EVERTON GAMES AFTERNOON

WEDNESDAY DEC 28

FAMILY EVENT 1-5PM ON WED 28TH DEC INCLUDES A HOT MEAL

CARD & BOARD GAMES - TABLE TENNIS - POOL - GAMES FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN

*All Children must be accompanied by an adult

@ St Georges Church Everton

Book Club

We are a virtual book club with a wide range of genres so especially there will be something up your street. Don't worry if you don't finish the book, or if you don't like it. Come along anyway for a chat and a cup of tea and make the next book will be your thing.

If interested, please contact 10bradve@gmail.com for what we are currently reading and when the next session will be.



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Outdoor Nativity

Christmas Eve 11am

Come dressed as one of the characters



Followed by - Dinner & Christmas Activities 12-3pm

Book your free place on Eventbrite



ST GEORGES EVERTON

NATTER CLUB



Come along for a cup of tea/coffee/juice and a chance to meet up with friendly people from the local community.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 2nd May 11.30am-1pm

ST GEORGE'S EVERTON

HARVEST FESTIVAL

A TIME TO GIVE THANKS FOR ALL THAT WE HAVE

01 OCT 2023

ALL AGE SERVICE @ 11AM: ALL DONATIONS WILL GO TO BOSTI SUDIPPOO, FOODBANK & SYLUM LERK

TINNED VEGETABLES - TINNED FRUIT - MASHED POTATO - FRUIT JUICE - CORN - GUINNESS & PASTA SAUCE - CLELAND - JAY - SOUPS

TOOT PARTY & TOOTHBRUSHES - SLOWLY WINE & KILMURDOGAN LAMP - TOOTHBRUSH - GUNTE & JAGGITS - BRUCE & BUCKLE - HATS




Start ▶

Got questions about life and the Christian faith?

If you're looking for answers then maybe it's time to make a Start. Normally run in groups of about 6 to 30 people, each session involves video clips, exercises, group discussion and time for reflection. Each session has a cost and our aim is free to attend.

Costs cover you

MONDAYS 7.45pm BEGINS MONDAY 27th MARCH
THURSDAYS 10am BEGINS THURSDAY 27th APRIL
CONTACT: 0151 263 6026 or revadam.maynsed@gmail.com



LIGHT PARTY

St George's Church, Everton, are hosting a LIGHT PARTY for children aged 5-12 years old.

Come along and join us for an evening of fun, food and games!

DATE: Tuesday 31st October 2023

TIME: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

AT: St George's Church, Heyworth Street, Liverpool L5 3QG

THEME Colour

BOOK YOUR FREE TICKETS HERE!

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-georges-light-party-tickets-7303900075672?aff=oddtdtoresize

ST GEORGE'S EVERTON

END OF SUMMER FAIR

SUNDAY 3rd September 12.30-3pm



BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS

Arts & Crafts - Ice Cream - Bouncy Castle - Food & Drink - Fun Games - School Uniform Exchange

www.stgeorgeseverton.com

GENERATIONS PROJECT

The SDF4 Missing Generations project in Everton aims to see a step change in the number of new disciples in the 11-29 year-old age range and by doing so become a 'resource' (people, money, ideas, training, learning from mistakes etc.) to the wider church. The project has £995k of funding, over the next two years, to help jump start this change.

The three churches in Everton (St Georges, St Peters with St John Chrysostom) working together engaged in an extensive process of discernment, seeking the guidance of God, the wisdom 'on the ground' in our community and through wider research. These highlighted new spaces are needed beyond the traditional 'spaces' of the Sunday morning services and the congregations that form around them, that are diverse, flexible and contextually appropriate. Rather than new 'one size fits all' worshipping community, multiple, smaller, worshipping communities led by small teams of leaders - supported, trained and mentored by the clergy and a support team, is right for this context. Full details are available in The Generations Project Proposition, available as a separate document.

OUR PROJECT

WHO YOU ARE

Above all, you will be someone who is clearly called to the people in Everton, who delights to see people become disciples of Jesus that raise up other disciples, for the church to flourish.

You will be someone relatable, approachable and a listener, attuned to peoples needs with a pastor heart. Because you pray often and seek to walk humbly in the Holy Spirit, you will be known for bringing wisdom and insight as well as being courageous, creative and innovative in mission.

You will be able to shepherd the existing church members and lead through the uncertainty of change, reassuring people with your resilient, non-anxious presence yet stirring them with your a prophetic voice. Your own heart will crave the culture shift so that Jesus, his mission and diverse authentic expressions of his community become the focus.

You will rejoice at being part of team - a collaborator in work, prayer and fellowship. You will be a spiritual investor, discerning the potential in others and delighting to see fruit grow on their trees.

OUR LEADER

'Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.'

Matthew 28.19 MSG

THE ROLE

RESPONSIBILITIES

Working as part of a clergy and lay team:

- A key part of the leadership team of the existing St George's worshipping community.
- Being fundamental to identifying and bringing to life new worshipping communities through local leadership teams.
- Making sure the worshipping community leadership teams have the appropriate training, development, resources and support they need to grow their communities, with their well being prioritised.
- Gathering the worship community leaders for their personal spiritual growth and community.
- Lead the Mission & Vision team - responsible for the unity of the church through shared vision, values and culture. And bringing together all of the diverse the worshipping communities in a contextual act of worship and communion 'unity gatherings'.
- Have a visible presence in the community through involvement in Community Outreach and Social Action and ecumenical activities.

'FAMILY FEEL, WITH PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND STAGES OF LIFE'



'A DIVERSE CHURCH'

Diversity of age, experience, and background

THE CAST IRON CHURCH

St George's Church is in the centre of the parish. Built on the Everton plateau, the highest point in Liverpool, the site affords spectacular views even to Blackpool on a clear day.

The church building, completed in 1814, is a Grade I listed building, said to be the world's first cast iron church. The use of thin cast iron columns instead of heavy stone pillars gives the interior an exceptionally light and airy appearance, giving the congregation unobstructed views of the altar and front of church from anywhere in the nave of the building.

<https://www.iron-church.com>

Being a Grade I listed building has the advantage of attracting generous grants from Heritage England for major repairs including rewiring and the replacement of the main roof.

Seating is available for up to 150 worshippers and there are two galleries upstairs, currently not used. A smaller meeting room, kitchen, toilets and office were skilfully incorporated within the existing building about 30 years ago.

OUR
BUILDING





North Liverpool Academy

Everton Park

Beacon C of E
Primary School

St George's Church

Vicarage

Everton Park

**WANT TO
KNOW
MORE?**

CONTACTS

Key members of the Church, who are happy to be contacted to talk about any aspect of our church community:

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Discuss accommodation options with the Archdeacon's office



View from Everton over Liverpool Bay