

SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY 2017

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

A Community United by Faith in Christ, living out Worship, Welcome & Witness

Welcome to St. Hilary's today, please do join us for refreshments following our services today. If it is your first visit here, we would love to get to know you more – so please make yourself known to one of the welcome team.

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SERVICES THIS WEEK Sunday 8 TH January First Sunday of Epiphany 9.30am Holy Communion 11.15am All Age Worship			BIBLE READINGS — 8 th January 9.30am & 11.15am Isaiah 40:1-11 (OT p677) Matthew 3:1–12 (NT p2)
SERVICES NEXT WEEK Sunday 15 th January Second Sunday of Epiphany 9.30am Holy Communion 11.15am All Age Holy Communion			BIBLE READINGS – 18 th December 9.30am &11.15am Isaiah 42:1–9 (OT p680) Matthew 3:13–17 (NT p3)
Monday (9 th January)	12.00pm 6.30pm 7.30pm	Vestry Hou	ayer (<i>Side Chapel</i>) ur Church Council Meeting (<i>Side</i>
Tuesday (10 th January)	9.15am 2.00pm	Morning Prayer Clergy & Readers Meeting (Side Chapel)	
Wednesday (11 th January)	9.15am 9.30am 1.15pm 5.00pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion Bowling Club – All Welcome (At St Hilary's) "Busy Bees" Toddler Group (Side Chapel) Music Practice Bell Ringing Practice (Learners Welcome)	
Thursday (12 th January) Friday (13 th January) Saturday (14 th January)	7.30pm 9.15am 10.00am	Fusion Management Group (35 The Oval) Morning Prayer (Side Chapel) Messy Church Briefing (Side Chapel)	

Prayers

For the World

Lord, You make all things new. You bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our Spirits to be born again. Thank you for this new year for all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live forever to praise Your glorious name. Amen.

For the Parish

Loving God, inspire us with courage and hope as we embark on this New Year. May our lives throughout the coming year be an example of your love in our relationships with family, with friends, with those we meet in our work and those we meet at St Hilary's. Bless us with fruitful opportunities this year, grant us the wisdom to grasp them and the resources to realise them. Amen For all those suffering and in danger in war zones everywhere.

For the bereaved family of Audrey Leyland, Beryl Walker and John Wiltshire For those living in Care Homes:

Marion Hedley, Marjorie Homan, Barbara Davies, Keith Farrelly and Edith Gamwell.

For the healing, hope and strength of:

Dorothy Prestwich, Catherine and Helen Godfrey, Ken Hodgson, Jason Povey and Pam Phelan.

Our prayer lists will be updated at the end of each month. Please contact Lisa Sheridan at lisa.sheridan25@outlook.com to add anyone to our prayer lists or for any other notices. The cut off time for any additions to the newsletter is <u>lunchtime on the Thursday before publication</u>.

Notices

FOOD BANK - Items particularly needed at the moment: Instant mash, sponge pudding, washing-up liquid, nappies (size 4, 5, 6), squash, sugar (no beans or tea please).

<u>CHURCH TREASURER</u> - We are seeking to appoint a new treasurer for St Hilary's from January onwards. We have written a role description, which makes it easier to see what is involved. We hope some of the tasks might be shared in a small team. Please pray that the right person is found, and any suggestions of potential volunteers would be gratefully received - speak to one of the clergy or wardens. "Iyfe" COURSE - 4 Monday evenings starting 16th January, 7.30pm. A small group experience including Bible reading, discussion and prayer, aimed at allowing our faith to connect with everyday life. Speak to Alan or Calum if you're interested in giving it a try.

<u>WALLASEY CHURCHES TOGETHER</u> – Will be holding a Songs of Praise event at St Chad's Church in Leasowe on Wednesday 18th January 2017. Be there for 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. The theme is 'Breaking down Barriers' and the Guest Speaker is Jeff Hughes from Wallasey URC. Friends and neighbours are welcome to attend.

Rector: Alan Ward 638 4771 Curate: Calum Piper 721 4258 Churchwardens: Geoffrey Prince 639 7416

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