St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2017

THE SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

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.

SERVICES THIS WEEK	**BIBLE READINGS**
Sunday 26th February	**26th February**
The Sunday before Lent	***9.30am & 11.15am***
9.30am Holy Communion	Proverbs 4:10 - 19 (OT p598)
11.15am All Age Worship	Matthew 7:13 - 29 (NT p7)
SERVICES NEXT WEEEK	**BIBLE READINGS NEXT WEEK – 5th March**
Sunday 5th March	***9.30am & 11.15am***
Lent 1	Acts 2:42-47 (NT p116)
9.30am Holy Communion	Matthew 4:1-11 (NT p3)
11.15am All Age Communion with Sunday Club	

Monday (27th February)	12.00pm	Midday Prayer (*Side Chapel*)
	6.30pm	Vestry Hour
	7.30pm	"lyfe" Group (*Rectory)*
Tuesday (28th February)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (*Side Chapel*)
	9.30am	Bowling Club – All Welcome (*At St Hilary's)*
	2.00pm	Fusion Management Group (*35 The Oval*)
Wednesday (1st March)	12.00 noon	Ash Wednesday Holy Communion (*Side Chapel*)
	1.15pm	"Busy Bees" Toddler Group
	5.00pm	Music Practice
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice *(Learners Welcome)*
Friday (3rd March)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (*Side Chapel*)
Saturday (4th March)	7-9.00pm	Fusion Youth Club
	12.00pm	Lent Lunch

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 lunchtime on the Thursday before publication.*

Prayers

For the World-

- Prayer for the children experiencing hunger and loneliness.
- Pray for those affected by the violence and war.

For the Parish-

- Pray for those helping those helping at the Lent lunches.
- Prayers for the "lyfe" group members in their study.

For all those suffering and in danger in war zones everywhere.

The Collect for the Sunday before Lent

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness
and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

For the bereaved family of Maureen Huntington.

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 and Sheila Prestwich, Catherine and Helen Godfrey, Ken Hodgson, Jason Povey, Pam Phelan, Maureen Mallay, Neil Fraser and Keith Sheridan.

Prayer Cycle- Please pray for the following people and places within our parish this week:

Dioceseof Chester, Home Groups, Aysgarth Rd, Rosclare Dr, The Oval, Arundel Ave, Wharefedale Rd.

Notices

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM - This event planned for 26th is now cancelled.

"lyfe" GROUP - Tomorrow is the final session of the Monday night lyfe group at the Rectory. During Lent new lyfe groups will be formed - please sign up on the sheet to say if you want to join one and when you're available.

LENT LUNCHES- Throughout March we will be holding the usual lent lunches and we would be very grateful for lots of support in running them. There will be a sign-up sheet available all this month on the notice table. Thanks in advance.

"MISSION (IM)POSSIBLE" - DIOCESAN LAY CONFERENCE - Every parish in the diocese is invited to send one or more delegates to this weekend conference - and it's free (donations invited)! 19th to 21st May at Swanwick, Derbyshire. Who will go for us? For more information search the diocesan website or go to www.chester.anglican.org/event.asp?Page=1347#.WKIm-PmLTIU

THE IN SPIRE COFFEE BAR - Need volunteers to help with lunch times during the week. Contact Charlotte on 639 4918.

VISION FOR ST HILARY'S - Next Sunday we will be exploring our church priorities for the next few years. Please pray in preparation.

HYGIENE AT CHURCH - We want to be as caring and loving to each other as possible ... so this is a reminder that if you have an infection of any kind, it's safer for others if you don't drink from the communion cup - you may either dip your bread in the wine, or refrain from the cup altogether. Also, when sharing the Peace, please make sure your hands are as clean as possible (cleansing gel is the easiest way). Thank you.

HELP NEEDED - Would someone be able to help us by coming to clean our church toilets and entrance floor once a week? Or perhaps 2 people alternating? If you think you can help, see Jimmy..

URGENT-If anyone knows the whereabouts of the Church's slow cooker, please speak to Maureen Marlowe. It is needed for Lent Lunches which begin on Saturday. Thank you.

LENT LUNCHES- St. Hilary's Church will be providing Lent Lunches (home-made soups, bread, cheese and biscuits and tea/coffee for a donation of £4) every Saturday during Lent from 12 noon - 1:30pm, beginning on March 4. The proceeds will be divided equally between *The Bible Society* and *The Ark.*

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