St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 16th DECEMBER 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.

TODAY'S SERVICES			TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS	
Sunday 16th December			Sunday 16th December	
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT			THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
9.30am Holy Communion			9.30am & 11.15am	
11.15am All Age Worship			Zephaniah 3 : 14 - 20 (OT p 891)	
6.30pm Carols and Readings			Luke 1 : 57 - 80 (NT p 55)	
SERVICES NEXT WEEK			BIBLE READINGS NEXT WEEK	
Sunday 23 rd December			Sunday 23 rd December	
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT			FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
9.30am Holy Communion			9.30am & 11.15am	
11.15am All Age Worship			Micah 5 : 2 – 5a (OT p 880)	
			Luke 1 : 39 - 56 (NT p 54)	
Monday (17 TH December)	9.15-11am	St Ge	George's Primary Rehearsal	
	12.00pm	Midday Prayers (<i>Side Chapel</i>)		
	12.30pm	Lunch Club Christmas Dinner		
	7.30pm	Lyfe Group Social (27 Radley Rd)		
Tuesday (18 th December)	9.15am	Mori	Morning Prayers	
	9.15-11am	St George's Primary Rehearsal		
	5.15pm	St Ge	eorge's Primary years 3 & 4 Christmas	
		prese	esentation	
	7.00pm	Musi	isic Team	
	8.00pm		tival Choir	
Wednesday (19 th December)	9.30am	Bowl	Bowling Club – All Welcome (<i>In Church</i>)	
	1.45pm	St Ge	eorge's Primary years 3 & 4 Christmas	
		prese	esentation	
Thursday (20 th December)	10.00am	Holy	lly Communion (<i>Side Chapel</i>) T Carol Service (<i>Outside ASDA</i>)	
	4.00pm	VCT		
		sht Watchers		
Friday (21 ST December)	9.15am		Iorning Prayer (Side Chapel)	
	7.00pm	Fusic	on Youth Club	
Saturday (22 ND December)	9.30am	Church Flower Decorating		
Prayers				

<u>Prayer Cycle</u>-Please pray for the following people and places within our parish this week: Women's Fellowship, Wallasey Library Staff & Friends, Belvidere Rd, Broadway Ave, Meadway, Fieldway, Broookway.

For those living in Care Homes: Barbara Davies and Edith Gamwell.

For the healing, hope and strength of: Don Smith, Dot Vyskocil, Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Dorothy and Sheila Prestwich, Andrew & Nicholas Coombes, Peter Veste, Jimmy Houghton, Mike and Jenny Puttick, Keith Harris, Sid Early, Ben Field-Davies and Joe Speakman.

For the World-

Pray for those fleeing war torn countries. Pray for those affected by terrorism.

For the Parish-

For the children at St George's Primary who are performing at St Hilary's.

For the VCT Carol Singers.

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

The Collect for the Third Sunday of Advent

God for whom we watch and wait, you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:

> give us courage to speak the truth, to hunger for justice, and to suffer for the cause of right, with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Notices

FOODBANK - Thank you to everyone who so generously continue to donate to the foodbank. It is sad that it is still needed so much but it is, probably more so than ever. The items they are urgently needing at the moment are: tinned meat, tinned fish, packet soup, fruit squash, tinned fruit, pasta sauce, sponge puddings, jam, shampoo, soap powder tabs, deodorants, coffee. They have plenty of beans and cereal. Thank you. Caroline Ward.

WHO IS JESUS? - This is a passion play to be prepared and performed by local people in Wallasey Village next Easter. The director, Frank Nance, is looking for a core group to consist of musical director, production manager and one representative of each Village church. Interested? Contact Frank at fnance@btinternet.com CHRISTMAS SERVICES - Christmas Eve 4pm Crib Service; 11.15pm Midnight Communion. Christmas Day 10.30am Christmas Communion. Sunday 30th 10.30am Holy Communion.

REV'D CALUM PIPER - has been appointed as permanent vicar of St Michael & All Angels Bramhall in Stockport, where he has been serving as interim minister since leaving St Hilary's in 2017. His induction is likely to be sometime in January. Calum & Jess send their Christmas greetings to all.

<u>CAROLS ON THE KOP</u> - At Tranmere Rovers' ground Sunday 23rd December, 5.30pm for 6pm start. Christmas Carols singing and live music. A great opportunity to take along anyone who would not enter a church building to hear the Christmas message.

<u>BUSY BEES</u> - This group for pre-school children and their parents/grandparents/carers has ceased to operate due to lack of leadership. If anyone is interested in helping to get the group going again, please speak to Alan or the wardens

VCT CHRISTMAS DAY INVITE – If you know of anyone who may be on their own on Christmas Day, the VCT would like to invite them to a dinner and entertainment. Please pass any names to Ann Hughes as soon as possible.

MATT BENTLEY – Matt and his wife, Zoe, are pleased to announce the birth of their son Josiah Theo Bentley, born on Thursday 29th

swap shop – For the last few years, the swap shop has asked churches to provide new jumpers, ages 3-16yrs, which will be given to any family at the swap shop. Can anyone help this year with a donation? Please pass to Alan.

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<u>VCT CAROL SERVICE</u> - There will be a VCT Carol singing outside Asda in Liscard at 4pm on Thursday, December 20. Collection for Charles Thompson Mission. Any new singers and acoustic musicians would be welcome.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS - We will be decorating the church with Christmas flowers on Saturday 22 December starting at 9.30am. I would invite anyone who would like to help with arranging flowers, tidying up etc to come along even if it's just for an hour. Your help will be so very much appreciated and rewarded with coffee and mince pies. Thank you, Ann

Our prayer lists will be updated at the end of each month. Please contact Lisa Sheridan at <u>lisa.sheridan25@outlook.com</u> 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>.

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