St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 19th & 26th DECEMBER and SUNDAY 2nd JANUARY 2022

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

Welcome to St. Hilary's, please do join us for our service 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	BIBLE READINGS
COLLECT FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 19.12.21 Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait for his coming in glory; bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	**TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS** **10.30am** Micah 5 : 2 - 5a Luke 1 : 39 - 5
THE COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS EVE 4PM CRIB SERVICE & THE COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS NIGHT 11.15PM - 24.12.21 Almighty God, Eternal God, as we prepare with joy in the stillness of this night to celebrate the gift of the Christ-child, you sent your almighty Word. Embrace the earth with your glory to pierce the world's darkness with the light of salvation: and be for us a living hope give to the earth the peace that we long for and fill our hearts with the joy of heaven through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.	**TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS** Isaiah 62 : 6 - 12 Luke 2 : 8 - 20

THE COLLECT FOR CHRISTMAS DAY 10.30AM & THE COLLECT FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 10.30 AM – 25.12.21 & 26.12.21	**TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS**
Lord Jesus Christ, God in Trinity, your birth at Bethlehem eternal unity of perfect love: draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: gather the nations to be one family, accept our heartfelt praise and draw us into your holy life as we worship you, through the birth of Emmanuel, our Saviour and our eternal God, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.	Isaiah 52 : 7 - 10 1 Samuel 2 : 18 - 20, 26 John 1 : 1 - 14 Luke 2 : 41 - 52
THE COLLECT FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS 10.30 AM – 2.1.22	**TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS**
God our Father, in love you sent your Son that the world may have life. Lead us to seek him among the outcast and to find him in those in need, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen	Jeremiah 31: 7 – 14 John 1: 10 - 18

SUNDAY 19th DECEMBER – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT –		
10.30am – Service of the Word		
Monday (20th Dec)	12.00pm	Midday Prayers
Tuesday (21st Dec)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)
	2.00 & 7.00pm	"Longest Night" service (for those who find Christmas a sad or difficult time)
Wednesday (22nd Dec)	6.30pm	Pilates
Friday (24th Dec)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)
	4.00pm	Crib Service
	11.15pm	Midnight Communion
Saturday (25th Dec)	10.30am	Christmas Day Communion
SUNDAY 26th DECEMBER – FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS –		
10.30am – Service of the Word		
Thursday (30th Dec)	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 2nd JANUARY – SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS –		
10.30am – Service of the Word		
Monday (3rd Jan)	12.00pm	Midday Prayers
Tuesday (4th Jan)	9.15am	Morning Prayers (Online)
Wednesday (5th Jan)	6.30pm	Pilates
Thursday (6th Jan)	10.00am	Holy Communion
Friday (8th Jan)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)

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Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish –
19.12.21 – Lapsed Church Members, Local Shops, Supermarkets & Traders, St Hilary Dr, Church Hill, Pinetree Court, Broadway.
26.12.21 – Diocese of Chester, Home Groups, Aysgarth Rd, Rosclare Dr, The Oval, Arundel Ave, Wharefedale Rd.
2.1.22 – Rainbows, Brownies & Village Churches Together, Burton Av, Somerset Rd, Gainsborough Rd, Aberford Rd.
For the Bereaved Family of: Linda Morse
For those living in Care Homes: Catherine & Helen Godfrey
For the healing, hope and strength of: Dot Vyskocil, Bob Romanoff, Jimmy Houghton, David Hodkinson, Ken Joplin, Jules Khayati, Eric Booton-Parry, David Norris, Josh McIntyre, Jennifer Parr, Joy Boyce, Steph Sarath and Zack (premature newborn)

For the World-

- Pray for those fleeing war-torn countries.
- Pray for those affected by terrorism.
- For all those suffering and in danger in war zones everywhere.

For the Parish-

- Pray for those who have Covid-19 or have loved ones who have Covid 19
- Pray for those suffering from anxiety during these times.

Notices

SUNDAY 19th JANUARY– FIRST SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY– 10.30am Holy Communion

THANK YOU to everyone who has responded to our appeal about giving to church. Some have increased their regular giving, others have taken out standing orders and some have started to add Gift Aid to their donations. Everything helps if we all play our part - THANK YOU! **If you haven't yet responded**, please act now - contact one of the finance team for more information. Be generous in the light of God's generosity to us!

GIFT AID BOXES – Sue Jones will be distributing next year's gift aid boxes shortly. Many have opted to change to be willing, then each one would only need to it every few weeks. Speak to Alan , Richard, Caroline, David or Ruth.

TRAVELLING NATIVITY - Mary, Joseph and the donkey will be moving from home to home in the parish from Advent Sunday (28th Nov) to Christmas Eve. Please sign up on the sheet in church if you would like to host them overnight during this period.

GIVING TO ST HILARY'S - If you want to support our church financially, you are welcome to give through our just giving page on the website, or by using this internet address: https://givealittle.co/campaigns/378fd1a1-384d-4a9a-b71a-ad4deb0b70f6

Standing orders so if you are continuing to use this method, but would also like a gift box, or if you would like to start using gift aid envelopes, can you let Sue know SAP. Thank you, Sue. **HELPING WITH COMMUNION** - As you may know, we are exploring ways of safely sharing in Holy Communion. At the moment this means using small glasses for the wine which involves more "washing up" than previously. Would any of you be willing to help with this following communion services? If two or three folk would	Or scan the code below to be taken to the Giving page: There is also a 'Just Giving' bar code on the church website.



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.*

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