St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER 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

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.

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS - 10.30am

Philippians 4 : 4 - 7 (NT p 196) John 5 : 31 - 40 (NT p 93)

SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER – THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 10.30am Holy Communion *with children's Sunday Club, 12.30pm Burial of Ashes for Barbara Vile (Churchyard),* 3.00pm A Service of Comfort, Healing & Hope

Monday (12th Dec)	12.45pm	Funeral of Keith Sheridan
Tuesday (13th Dec)	9.00am-3.00pm	St George's Primary rehearsals
	11.00am	Burial of Ashes for Neil McMullen (*Churchyard*)
	7.30pm	Christmas Choir
Wednesday (14th Dec)	9.45am	Bowls Group
	5.30pm & 7.00pm	Slimming World
Thursday (15th Dec)	10am & 2.00pm	St George's Primary performances
Friday (16th Dec)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (*Online*)
	10am & 2pm	St George's Primary performances
	5.00pm	Churches Together Street Nativity (*St Mary's College car park*)

Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish - Pastoral Team, Weatherhead High School, Stourcliffe Rd, Thorncliffe Rd, Marlowe Rd.

For the bereaved families of: Keith Sheridan, Ron Mooney & Beryl Holden.
For the healing, hope and strength of: Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Betty Cross, Dot Vyskocil, Dorothy Richmond, Dorothy Prestwich, Margaret Thompson, Steph Sarath, Bob Romanoff, Olga Bridger, Jimmy Houghton, Ken Joplin, Brian Hughes, Graham Robb, Dorothy Harris & David Bigmore. *(please contact Lisa if you would like a name added here)*

For the World-

- Pray for those affected by terrorism.
- For those in Ukraine and those fleeing Ukraine.
- For all those suffering and in danger in war zones everywhere.
- Pray from those affected by climate change.

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 18th DECEMBER – THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 10.30am Service of the Word, 6.30pm Service of Carols & Readings

"STREET NATIVITY" - A Wallasey Village Churches Together event - in the car park of St Mary's College on Friday 16th at 5.00pm. Come along and invite others to hear the Christmas story in song, word and action! Plus food and drink, of course ...

CHRISTMAS SERVICES - 18th - 6.30pm Carols and Readings; 24th - 4pm Crib Service; 11.15pm Midnight Communion; 25th - 10.30am Christmas Day Communion.

BERYL HOLDEN - Long standing church member passed away, on Sunday 4th December and we await news of her funeral. Pray for her family.

EXPERIENCE CHRISTMAS - Thanks so much to all who took part in this event - it was wonderful once again!

FREE UNIFORMS FOR SCHOOLS (FUSS) HUB - Call in any time between 11am and 2pm. Drinks, biscuits and cake available.

"SERVICE OF COMFORT, HEALING AND HOPE AT CHRISTMAS" - For those who may find Christmas a sad and difficult time this year (also known as "Blue Christmas"). Come and join us on Sunday 11th December 3.00pm.

ROTAS – Please be aware that the new rota for refreshments is on the noticeboard at the back of the church, till December 18th. Also, we are looking for volunteers to join the Welcoming Team. A note was given out on October 9th. Please see Ann Hughes for more details and to volunteer.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - Our next meeting is on the 12 December when we are having a Christmas themed afternoon with Marie and Denni, followed by carols and mince pies.
A reminder for you all to have your money (cash please £25) for our Christmas meal at Wallasey Golf Club on the 9th January.
Wishing you all a Happy Christmas and healthy New Year.

BUSY BEES - Thanks to Lisa Young who has been running the group over the past 6 months. It will be starting up again soon when the new leader has had her baby! We will keep you posted ...

GIVING – INCOME Vs EXPENDITURE – Please read the following information which outlines the growing difference between our income and expenditure, and consider whether you could change your weekly giving. *The shortfalls on our monthly income/expenditure are as follows:-*
-July £2,586.31
-August £2262.28
-September £2505.43

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
There is also a 'Just Giving' bar code on the church website. Or scan the code to go to the Giving page:

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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