

*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 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and drew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS –

10.30am

Romans 5:12-19 (NT p151)
&
Matthew 4:1-11 (NT p3)

SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY – LENT 1 - 10.30am Holy Communion *with Children's Sunday Club*
12.00-2.30pm Bring and Share lunch *with Review of "Jesus Shaped People" and the way forward*

Monday (27 th Feb)	12.00pm	Midday Prayers (Side Chapel)
	2.00pm	Ministry Team (Rectory)
Tuesday (28 th Feb)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)
	11-2.00pm	Free Uniforms for Schools Hub
	4-5.30pm	Welcome to the Lord's Table (Side Chapel)
Wednesday (1 st Mar)	9.45am	Bowls
	5.30pm & 7.00pm	Slimming World
Thursday (2 nd Mar)	10.00am	Holy Communion (Side Chapel)
	10.30am	Vision Café (at Harrison Hall)
Friday (3 rd Mar)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (<i>Online</i>)

Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish - Diocese of Chester, Home Groups, Aysgarth Road, Rosclare Drive, The Oval, Arundel Avenue, Wharefedale Road.

For the bereaved families of: Dennis Downie and Duncan Gibb

For the healing, hope and strength of: Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Betty Cross, Dot Vyskocil, Dorothy Prestwich, Margaret Thompson, Steph Sarath, Bob Romanoff, Olga Bridger, Jimmy Houghton, Ken Joplin, Brian Hughes, Graham Robb, Dorothy Harris, David Bigmore, Cynthia Croft & Joyce Hill. *(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.
- Pray for those affected by the Turkish & Syrian earthquake.

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 5th MARCH 2023 – THE SECOND

SUNDAY OF LENT – 10.30am Service of the Word

JESUS SHAPED PEOPLE REVIEW WEEKEND This continues on Sunday with a bring & share lunch, over which we will be sharing our thoughts, prayers and ideas that have emerged from the programme. Don't worry if you've not brought food - there's usually enough to share!

CHURCH QUESTIONNAIRE - Everyone was sent one of these before Christmas. If you haven't returned yours, please do so as soon possible by bringing it to church or sending it postally. It will help us in planning for the future.

VISION CAFE - Want to have a say in the future vision of Chester Diocese? Call in to the one of the Vision Cafe events on either at Harrison Hall (St Nicholas') on 2nd March 10.30-12.00 midday or Thursday 9th March 7.00-9.00pm at St Mary's, Liscard.

FAIR TRADE & CLIMATE CRISIS QUIZ – On Friday 10th March 2023 at 7.00pm. Come along and have some fun. Learn more about fairtrade products and what you can do to help the climate crisis. At Wirral Multicultural Centre, 111 Conway St Birkenhead, CH41 4AF. Refreshments and Fair Trade Goods Climate Crisis displays. Teams of 4 (£5) all welcome or come as an individual to make up a team (£1.50). To book your place text 07511869659 or go to <https://bit.ly/CWFairTradeQuiz>

THE LENT ENCOUNTER 2023 - Wallasey Village Churches Together Bible study 'The Lent

Encounter'. 1.00p.m.at the United Reform Church starting Thursday 23rd February .

Registration <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/the-lent-encounter-sign-up>

COLLECTION FOR TURKEY & SYRIA – There is a collection in church for the victims and families of the terrible tragedy in Turkey and Syria.

BUSY BEES - The re-start of this toddler group has been delayed due to the personal circumstances of those taking it over. We will let everyone know as soon as we have further news.

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:-*

October: £2545.96

November: £3147.80

December: £2790.14

January: £3223.32

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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