

SUNDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2023

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 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

TODAYS BIBLE READINGS

Psalm 57 (OT p 535) Revelation 5 : 6 - 14 (NT p 245)

SUNDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2023 -2nd Sunday Before Advent – 10.30am Service of the Word

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| Monday (20 th Nov) | 10.30am | Group Bible Exploration (Side Chapel) |
| | 12.00pm | Midday Prayers (Side Chapel) |
| | 12.30pm | Lunch Club |
| | 7.30pm | Home Group (Rectory) |
| | 7.30pm | Parent Support Group (Side Chapel) |
| Tuesday (21st Nov) | 9.15am | Morning Prayers (Online) |
| | 10.15am | "Experience Christmas" Preparation Session |
| | 7.30pm | PCC Meeting |
| Wednesday (22 nd Nov) | 9.45am | Bowls Group (Indoors at the church) |
| | 1-2.30pm | Busy Bees Toddler Group |
| Thursday (23 rd Nov) | 10.00am | Holy Communion (Side Chapel) followed by Group Bible |
| | | Exploration |
| Friday (24 th Nov) | 9.15am | Morning Prayer (Online) |
| | 10.15 & 11.15am | "Little Movers" |
| Saturday (25 th Nov) | 11am – 1pm | "Winter Wonderland" Christmas fair |

Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish – PCC Members, Local Councillors, Harrow Rd, Harrow Close, Loretto Rd, Rugby Rd, Thorne Lane.

Prayers for the bereaved family of: Evelyn Lewis

For the healing, hope and strength of: Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Betty Cross, Dot Vyskocil, Joyce Hill, Bob Romanoff, John Sayle, Dorothy Prestwich, Caroline Houghton, Dorothy Harris, Denis Holmes, Patricia McGrogan, Dave Holden, Geoffrey Prince, Judy Boyd & Graham Robb.

If you wish for a name to be retained, please contact Lisa.

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
- 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 26TH NOVEMBER – SUNDAY BEFORE

ADVENT - 10.30am Holy Communion with prayers for healing and children's Sunday Club

CALLING ALL LESSON READERS - Could all Bible lesson readers please let me know asap if they will be unavailable to read at services over the Christmas and New Year period. Thank you. Valerie

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - On Monday

13th November we will be welcoming Mark Latham from Street Pastors to talk about how they keep people safe during the evenings in our towns and cities. We hope you will join us to support this venture and also welcome friends and members of the congregation

EXPERIENCE CHRISTMAS - 5th & 6th December with St George's Primary - see the display in church. If you'd like to help, please speak to one of the Ministry Team. We have a preparation session at 10.15am on Tuesday (21st).

PRAYERS FOR HEALING - On Sunday 26th November, there will be anointing and prayers for healing available during the distribution of communion.

CHRISTMAS FAIR - Saturday 25th November 11.00am-1.00pm. Sign-up list now in church and posters/flyers available from today. We will need help to run stalls on the day, as well as donations to the tombolas, especially bottles and sweets. We will be doing the food hamper again. Ruth Stevenson.

DEANERY SECRETARY - Could this be you? You don't have to be elected to the Deanery Synod - it can be anyone with a bit of admin experience who will work alongside the Lay Chair and Rural Dean. The main tasks are to take minutes of meetings three times per year, circulate agendas and other documents and keep an up to date list of members and their contact details. Interested? Have a chat with Alan Ward, Linda Booton Parry or Jimmy or Caroline Houghton.

THE SHARED COMMUNION CUP - If you haven't yet returned your reply slip about this, please do so as soon as possible, as we will review responses at the PCC meeting on 21st November.

AYNSLEY CARE HOME - We will be going to sing hymns with the residents on Thursday 23rd, if anyone would like to join us. The usual regular time is the second Thursday in the month.

BOWLING CLUB – Will take place throughout November, but will not take place on 6th or 20th December as the church is in use. Bowling will resume on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

OUR THEMES FOR OCTOBER TO DECEMBER -

"Worshipping" is our theme for Sundays as we explore a greater understanding of the content of our Sunday services. The small group meetings will resume from 16th October, and each session will be based on a Psalm of David, again on the theme "Worshipping". You are encouraged to join a group and engage with this theme. AN EVENING WITH ROB PARSONS - Rob is a renowned speaker with "Care for the Family" - this should be an excellent event for all ages. At King's Church, 1 Victoria Fields, Birkenhead CH42 OPF on Wednesday 29th November 7.30-10.00pm (early bird ticket £6 up to 25th Oct).

STREET NATIVITY - Once again the Village Churches Together are planning an open-air nativity in the car park of St Mary's College on Friday 15th December, 4.30pm. If anyone would be willing to help with the practical arrangements or the publicity, please contact Alan, Ann Hughes or Frank Nance (fnance@btinternet.com).

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:-

September – £1379.04

October - £119.04

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-4a9ab71a-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, <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</u> before publication.

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