St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 10th DECEMBER 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 OF ADVENT

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as
judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God.

Amen.

TODAYS BIBLE READINGS

Isaiah 40:1-11 (OT p677) Mark 1:1-8 (NT p33)

<u>SUNDAY 10th DECEMBER – THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</u> 10.30am Holy Communion with children's Sunday Club

Monday (11 th Dec)	12.00pm	Midday Prayers (Side Chapel)
	2.00pm	Women's Fellowship
	7.30pm	Home Group Social (Rectory)
	7.30pm	Parent Support Group (Side Chapel)
Tuesday (12 th Dec)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)
	7.00pm	PCC Standing Committee (Rectory)
	8.00pm	PCC Christmas Social (Rectory)
Wednesday (13 th Dec)	9.45am	Bowls
Thursday (14 th Dec)	10.00am	Holy Communion (Side Chapel)
Friday (15 th Dec)	9.15am	Morning Prayer (Online)
	10.00 & 11.00am	"Little Movers"

Prayers

<u>Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish – Church Hospitality, St.Mary's College, Station Rd, Cliff Rd, Burford Ave, Brackley Cl.</u>

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 & 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.
- Pray from those affected by climate change.

• For all those suffering and in danger in war zones

Notices

SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER - THE THIRD SUNDAY OF

ADVENT 10.30am Service of the Word, 6.30pm **Christmas Carols and Readings**

SHARING THE CUP AT COMMUNION - From January onwards, we will resume the practice of sharing the cup of wine at all communion services, which we haven't done since before the pandemic. This decision has been taken by the PCC after consultation with the congregation. More information and guidance on this will be distributed soon.

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

CHARLES THOMPSON MISSION - Charles Thompson Mission are in need of hats, scarves and gloves for the homeless. If you have any of these items that you can donate to the Mission, can you please put them in the box in church and I will take them to the mission. Louise.

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.

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

OPEN-AIR NATIVITY - Friday 15th December from 4.30pm at St Mary's College car park. Flyers and posters are available in church - please spread the news. If you can help in any way, speak to Ann Hughes, Alan or email Frank Nance (fnance@btinternet.com).

WOMEN's FELLOWSHIP - Our January Lunch is at Wallasey Golf Club on Wednesday 10th January and will talk about details at the December meeting. Any

problems please get in touch with one of our committee members, the numbers are on your programme. We wish you all our members a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful. New Year.

Pray for those who have Covid-19 or have loved ones who have Covid 19

Pray for those suffering from anxiety

For the Parish-

during these times.

TRAVELLING NATIVITY - Mary, Joseph and the donkey will be moving from home to home in the parish from Advent Sunday to Christmas Eve. There are still spaces on the visiting list, so please sign up on the sheet in church if you would like to host them overnight during this period.

CAROLS AT ASDA - Wallasey Churches Together is gathering a group of singers - 2 or 3 from each church - to sing Christmas carols at Asda, Liscard on Tuesday 19th December 4pm for an hour. We will also collect for Wirral Food Bank. Just come along!

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 - £1119.04

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-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, <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</u> on the Thursday before publication.

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