St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2024

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 grew 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.

TODAYS BIBLE READINGS

Luke 15 : 11 - 32 NT p 75)

SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - 10.30am Holy Communion *with children's Sunday Club*

Monday (19th Feb)	9-10.00am	Church Open for Prayer
	12.00pm	Midday Prayer
	12.30pm	Lunch Club
	7.30pm	Home Group (*Rectory*)
Tuesday (20th Feb)	9-10.00am	Church Open for Prayer
	9.15am	Morning Prayer (*Online*)
	10.30am	Bereavement Journey
	7.30pm	PCC Standing Committee (*Rectory*)
Wednesday (21st Feb)	9.45am	Bowls Group
	7.30pm	PCC Meeting
Thursday (22nd Feb)	10.00am	Holy Communion (*Side Chapel*) *followed by Bible exploration group*
Friday (23rd Feb)	9.15am	Morning Prayers (*Online*)
	10am – 12pm	"Little Movers"
	7-8.00pm	Church Open for Prayer

Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish – Aynsley Nursing Home, Westwood Grove, Newlands Dr, Winchester Dr.

The bereaved family of: Malcom Richardson.

For the healing, hope and strength of: Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Betty Cross, Dot Vyskocil, Joyce Hill, John Sayle, Dorothy Prestwich, Caroline Houghton, Dorothy Harris, Denis Holmes, Patricia McGrogan, Dave Holden, Geoffrey Prince, Graham Robb, Martin Pin, Fr Phil Moor, Jess Richards, Neil Jones and Joan Foster.

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
- For the ongoing conflict in Gaza
- 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 25th FEBRUARY – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT - 10.30am Holy Communion *with children's Sunday Club.*

UKRAINIAN EVENING - Saturday 2nd March 6.00-9.00pm. Come and discover about the land, the history and the current situation and enjoy a traditional meal! There are no tickets and entry by donation only - but please tell us you're coming, for catering purposes. (Recipes for "borscht" are available on request if you can help with that too.) Sign up in church or email admin@sthilarywallasey.org.uk or phone 07890 734952.

VISION RESPONSE CARDS - Now is the time to return your response cards to the basket in church and get involved in our vision priorities. If you want to know more about any of the aims on the cards, speak to the wardens or ministry team. More cards are available if you have left yours at home.

APCM REPORTS – Please can all those who normally submit reports for the APCM send them to Marie by Friday 1st March 2024 please. The date for the APCM has been set for Sunday 28th April at 1.30pm 2024.

SHARNG THE COMMUNION CUP - We are now using the shared cup at communion. If you are not well enough to receive the wine this way, please take the bread only and do not dip the bread in the wine. This will be our practice from now on and will be reviewed by the PCC in due course.

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.

TODDLER GROUP – If anyone would like to start the Toddler Group up again, or knows of anyone that would be able to, please contact Alan or Ann F.

OPENING FOR PRIVATE PRAYER – St Hilary's Church will be open three times each week to allow anyone to use the church for their own Private Prayer. It will be open every Monday and Tuesday for an hour from 9.00am to 10.00am and every Friday evening from 7.00pm to 8.00pm.

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, *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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