St Hilary's Church Wallasey

SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER 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 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.

READINGS

Philippians 1 : 3 - 11 (NT p 193)
Luke 3 : 1 - 6 (NT p 57)

Monday (9th Dec)	9.00-10.00am	Church Open for prayer (*Side Chapel*)
	9.30am	Morning Prayer – all welcome
	11.00am	Funeral of Sheila O'Rourke
	2.00pm	Women's Fellowship
Tuesday (10th Dec)	9.00-10.00am	Church Open for Prayer (*Side Chapel*)
	9.30am	Morning Prayer – all welcome
	7.30pm	Music Team
Wednesday (11th Dec)	9.30am	Morning Prayer – Online
	9.30am –12pm	Bowls Group (*Indoors at the Church)*
Thursday (12th Dec)	10.00am	Holy Communion
	10-12pm	Little Movers
Friday (13th Dec)	7-8.00pm	Church Open for Prayer
	7.30pm	Evening Prayer – all welcome

SUNDAY 8th DECEMBER – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 10.30 Holy Communion, 4pm Christingle

Prayers

Prayer Cycle - Please pray for the following people and places within our parish: Women's Fellowship, Wallasey Library Staff & Friends, Belvidere Rd, Broadway Ave, Meadway, Fieldway, Broookway.

For the Bereaved families of: Dorothy Prestwich**,** Catherine Allen & Sheila O'Rourke

For the healing, hope and strength of: Catherine & Helen Godfrey, Betty Cross, Denis Holmes, Nicky Pugh, Hilary Holden, Ben Parkinson, Olga Bridger, Joan Foster, Rachel Foster, Brian Hughes, Alison Richardson, Val Jones, Sean Conway, Lyndsey Kiernan, Dorita Atherton, Ann & Ken Fraser, Peter John Kneebone. *If you wish for a name to be retained, please contact Lisa*

For the World-

- For those in Ukraine and those fleeing Ukraine.
- For the ongoing conflict in the Middle East.
- For all those suffering and in danger in war zones
- Pray from those affected by climate change especially the UK and Spain during the recent floods.

For the Parish-

- Pray for the homeless shelters and foodbanks as the colder weather approaches.

Notices

SUNDAY 15th DECEMBER – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT –
10.30 Holy Communion

MORNING PRAYERS ONLINE - A 30-minute Morning Prayer session will be held on zoom, on Wednesdays at 9.30 a.m. Please contact Paul Jackson on 07546 464493 for him to send you the Zoom details.

PRAYER TIMES DURING THE WEEK - St Hilary's opens for private prayer on Mondays & Tuesdays between 9.00-10.00am; Morning Prayer will be led at 9.30am on these days. It will also be open on Fridays between 7.00-8.00pm with Evening Prayer being led at 7.30pm. Please come and join in these times of prayer and fellowship.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - Our Christmas meeting will be on Monday 9th December, when we will be having a quiz, carols and of course mince pies! Don't forget our Secret Santa, a gift up to £5 wrapped and with a Christmas card please. Hope as many of you can join us as we enter these special times with friends during Advent.

CATHERINE ALLEN – Can parishioners please pray for the friends of family of Catherine Allen who passed away recently.

DOROTHY PRESTWICH – Sadly Dorothy Prestwich passed away on Wednesday. Her funeral will be held at 11am on 17th December at St Hilary's and her burial will be at Frankby.

SHEILA O'ROURKE - Her funeral will be held at 11am on 9th December at St Hilary's.

CHRISTMAS DATES- Please make a note of the following upcoming dates.

- **Christingle Service** – Sunday 8th December at 4.00pm.
- **A Service of Carols & Reading** – Sunday 15th December at 6.30pm.
- **'Pick A Card' Christmas Event –** Sunday 22nd December at 6.30pm
- **Christmas Eve Services** – 4.00pm Crib Service, 11.15pm Midnight Communion
- **Christmas Day Service** – Christmas Communion at 10.30am

DISPLAYS IN THE NARTHAX – Please do look at the new displays which are slowly going up in the Narthax. For the prayer requests board, parishioners and visitors are welcome to add, and display, any prayers that they wish the congregation to take note of and pray for.

ENVELOPE GIVING- This month I will be allocating gift envelopes for next year. If you would like to start contributing by using the envelopes please let me know. If you already use them, they will be allocated as usual unless you advise me otherwise. Thank you all for your kind generosity. Sue Jones.

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.

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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