

Readings for this Sunday 27 November

8am Holy Communion	Rom. 13. 11-end Matt. 24. 36-44 Lectionary p 2
10am Family Praise	Rom. 13. 11-end Matt. 24. 36-44 Lectionary p 2
6pm BCP Communion	Rom. 13. 11-end Matt. 24. 36-44

Readings for next Sunday 4 December

8am Holy Communion	Rom 15. 4-13 Matt. 3. 1-12 Lectionary pp 3-4
10am Holy Communion	Rom 15. 4-13 Matt. 3. 1-12 Lectionary pp 3-4
4pm Christingle	Special Readings

Parish Register

Baptism

27 November at 11.45am – Evelyn Fay Bridget Armitage

Funerals

6 December – Joan Hughes
St Hildeburgh's at 11am followed by burial at Landican Cemetery at 12.30pm

Weekly Beacon



News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 27 November 2022 The First Sunday of Advent

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility,
that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.



CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

**HOSTED BY ST HILDEBURGH'S CHURCH
STANLEY ROAD, HOYLAKE, CH47 1HL**

**2 December at 6.30pm –
Grand Opening by Father Christmas
3 December – 10am to 4pm
4 December – 11am to 4pm
Admission: £2.50 per adult**

No charge for children or care home residents
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INVITATION TO VOLUNTEER



Revd Paul is asking for volunteers to help with our forthcoming Christmas Tree Festival. We need people to help on the entrance table, children's activities, and with refreshments.

There are sign up lists at the back of church – your help is vital to make this main fundraiser of the year a success. Thank you.

CARD MACHINES

Did you know that you can now donate to St Hildeburgh's using your card? Our card machines are sited at the back of church – by the door leading to the church centre.

Using a card machine to donate is quick and convenient and donations are always appreciated.

Thank you.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL
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PROGRAMME**



Friday 2 December

6.30pm Grand Opening
Rock Choir

Saturday 3 December

10am Doors open
11am Holy Trinity School Choir
12.30-1.30pm Paul Parsons
2pm Anamal Dance
3pm Mockbeggar Morris Dancers
4pm Doors close

Sunday 4 December

1pm Hoylake Choral Society
2pm Concourse Singers
4pm Christingle

Father Christmas will be here every day



IN THE CHURCH HALL



The Christmas Café

Open from 10am to 4pm
Tea, coffee, mince pies, light snacks – homemade
soup and a bread roll served at lunchtime.

Stalls

Crafts. Jewellery. Homemade cakes. Christmas
cakes. Homemade jams, marmalade and preserves.

Raffle and Tombola

Admission: £2.50 per adult

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FLOWER OF THE WEEK: HIPPEASTRUM.

131st in a series.

Text by Peter Surridge.

The hippeastrum is one of the most popular bulbs for the home, easy to grow and bearing huge, trumpet-shaped blooms for long periods to brighten the winter windowsill. Better (but wrongly) known as amaryllis, these flowers from Central and South America come as specially prepared bulbs on sale during autumn. The blooms they produce are in hues of white, pink and red. Clusters of up to four funnel-shaped blooms per stem are common, and strong bulbs of modern hybrids may produce up to three stems per season.

Old favourites include Apple Blossom (pictured), a stunner bearing white flowers etched or striped with pink, and Red Lion, in rich crimson. There are also the sumptuous Picotee, with white satiny petals edged in vivid red, and the flamboyant, scarlet-flowered Vera. Small can also be beautiful, and for a more restrained display there is Green Goddess, which sends up relatively short stems topped with medium-sized pure white blooms stained green at the throat. Baby Star and Naughty Lady are similar-sized varieties, both bearing small red flowers with attractive white-green markings towards the centre of the petals. The variety Christmas Gift, with pure white blooms, has been bred for flowering in good time for the festive season.

Breeders are still striving to obtain a pure, strong yellow, but currently the nearest seem to be creamy-yellow *Hippeastrum parodii* Germa, a medium-sized variety bearing delicate creamy yellow blooms with narrow petals, and *Hippeastrum* Yellow Garden with multiple flowers of lemon yellow with a green centre. There are also double-flowered varieties such as bright scarlet Red Peacock, and pink and white bicolours, such as Nymph and Philadiphia.

When buying a hippeastrum bulb, check that it is firm and undamaged, and that the basal plate bearing the thong-like roots is intact. For planting, choose a pot that allows about 2.5cm (1in) of compost all around the bulb.



Above left: Hippeastrum Apple Blossom. Above right: Hippeastrum Red Lion.

Hippeastrums grow in most well-drained proprietary composts. Keep the pots in a minimum temperature of 13C (55F), in good, indirect light during the flowering period. Apply a general liquid fertiliser every week from the time the flowers fade until growth begins to slow – the older leaves will begin to turn yellow – or add a sprinkling of slow release fertiliser granules to the compost at planting time. Good light is necessary if the bulbs are to build up sufficient reserves for flowering in the following year. This can be achieved by setting the pots outdoors once all risk of frost has passed, or moving them into a greenhouse or bright room.

The plant's name apparently comes from hippos, the Greek for horse, owing to the fancied similarity to a horse's head when two leaves point upwards like horse's ears at an early stage of growth.

St. Hildeburgh's Parish Church

Stanley Road, Hoylake

TUESDAY 13th DECEMBER 2022

commencing 7.30pm

(Doors open 7.00pm)

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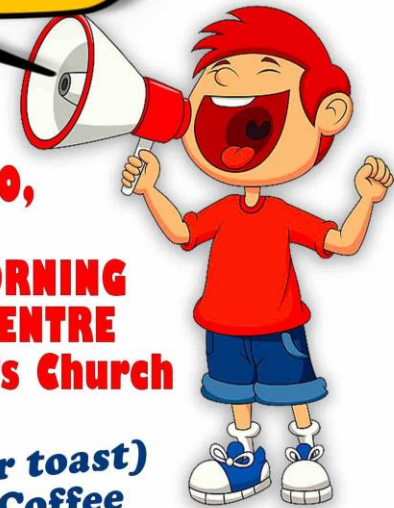
Every TUESDAY
from
10.30am to 12.00,
we have our
BACON BUTTY MORNING
in our **CHURCH CENTRE**
at **St Hildeburgh's Church**
in **HoyLake**

Bacon Butties (or toast)
a cup of Tea or Coffee
& a great chance to chat

ALL are Welcome!

NO CHARGE (but donations welcome)

... see you on Tuesday?



Dominic Degavino

Piano Recital

St Hildeburgh's Church, Hoylake
Monday 28th November 2022, 7:30PM



Mozart, Piano Sonata in F major, K332
Chopin, Ballade No 2 in F major, Op 38
Amy Beach, 5 Improvisations, Op 148
Schubert, Allegretto in C minor, D915
Brahms, Piano Sonata No 3 in F minor, Op 5

Tickets: £16, free to students

Hoylake Chamber Concert Society

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