

## **Readings for Sunday 10 December 2023**

8am Holy Communion                      2 Pet. 3. 8-15a Mark 1. 1- 8  
Lectionary pp 235-237

10am All Age Communion  
and Blessing                                2 Pet. 3. 8-15a Mark 1. 1- 8  
Lectionary pp 235-237

6pm Open Worship                        To be chosen

## **Readings for Sunday 17 December 2023**

8am Holy Communion                      1 Thes 5. 16-24  
John 1. 6-8, 19-28  
Lectionary pp 238-239

10am Holy Communion                      1 Thes 5. 16-24  
John 1. 6-8, 19-28  
Lectionary pp 238-239

4pm Nine Lessons and Carols            Special Readings

## **PARISH REGISTER**

There are no entries in the Parish Register this week.

## **Weekly Beacon**



### **News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 10 December 2023 The Second Sunday of Advent**

#### **THE COLLECT**

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power  
and come among us,  
and with great might succour us;  
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness  
we are grievously hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy  
may speedily help and deliver us;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

## **CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S**



*Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall*

<b>17 December</b>	<b>4pm</b>	<b>Nine Lessons &amp; Carols</b>
<b>24 December</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	<b>4pm</b>	<b>Crib Service</b>
	<b>11.30pm</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>25 December</b>	<b>8am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>

***No evening service on Christmas Day***

## **SHERRY AND MINCE PIES**

Revd Paul and Revd Gillian invite you to join them at the Vicarage for sherry and mince pies on Friday 29 December between 10am and 12.30pm. Tea and coffee will also be available.

## **50 / 50 CLUB**

Dear all,

Thank you so much for your support over the last couple of years with the 50/50 draw, over this time it has raised £1000 for church funds. I have decided though that it has run its course and the last draw took place at the end of October.

To round off 2023 I thought it may be nice to have a pre-Christmas draw. Keep the numbers you have or pay for more if you want @ £2 per number with all the money going into the prize pot. I will have my book with me on Sunday, and each week after so come and see me, with your wallets and purses to be in with a chance. Preferably cash for this please as it will make it easier for me to manage.

Good Luck everyone and thanks again for past support.

Regards.

Liz Ardus

## THANK YOU

A big 'Thank You' to the following businesses and groups for taking part in this year's Christmas Tree Festival.

### BUSINESSES

Island Electrical  
The Old Garden  
Hoylake Cottage Hospital  
Red Rocks Nursing Home  
Westhaven Nursing Home  
The Anchorage Nursing Home  
The Mulberry Tree  
Kid's Planet Nursery  
Waxlyrical  
North Villa Apartments  
Hoylake School of Dance  
Morrisons  
Abbeyfield Hoylake & West Kirby  
Caldy Signs  
Peter Edwards Law  
Springview at Clatterbridge Hospital  
Holy Trinity CofE Primary School  
Poppy Willow Crafts  
Popsy's café  
Luna Cole Jewellery

### GROUPS

Rock Choir  
Air Cadets 472 Squadron  
Cameo  
Slimming World  
St Hildeburgh's Choir  
St Hildeburgh's Guild  
St Hildeburgh's Tots  
Voyagers  
4<sup>th</sup> Hoylake Brownies  
West Wirral Scouts  
RNLI  
The Bank Crochet Group  
Connect Northwest  
Knitting Ladies for Charity

## CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

The result of the public vote for individual trees is as follows:

Most fun - Island Electrical  
Most elegant - Red Rocks Nursing Home  
Most original - Red Rocks Nursing Home  
Most overall votes - Red Rocks Nursing Home

## PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER (PSO) PETER HAM

*Peter Ham writes:*

In the event of a safeguarding concern, you can contact him by phone: 07444884879 or by email: [safeguarding@sthildeburgh.org](mailto:safeguarding@sthildeburgh.org)

If you hold a Safeguarding information card or leaflet, please alter the phone number of the PSO accordingly. Other contact phone numbers including those of the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor and the Local Authority Safeguarding numbers for children and adults, remain the same.

Please remember that safeguarding requires all of us to be vigilant.

### SAFEGUARDING - A POCKET GUIDE

Please find at the back of Church, fresh copies of the Church of England's leaflet, "Safeguarding - a pocket guide." They give a brief but very helpful guide to help if you have any safeguarding concerns as well as dos and don'ts. On the back of the leaflets are the revised safeguarding contact numbers within the church, the Diocese and the Council.

Please limit yourself to one leaflet per household and keep it somewhere prominent.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Peter Ham (Parish Safeguarding Officer).

**Don't Forget  
the Bacon!!**

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!**

TO COVER OUR COSTS THERE IS A MINIMUM  
DONATION OF £1 FOR EACH BACON BUTTY



**The last Bacon Butties of 2023 will be served on  
Tuesday 19 December.**

**Bacon Butties will be back on  
Tuesday 9 January 2024.**

## **Christmas Choir!**



Our Musical Director resigned a few weeks ago for personal reasons, but we're still going to have a choir for our Nine Lessons and Carols service this year (4pm on 17th December). We'd love people to come and join us to sing all the well-known carols with the choir.

You don't need to be able to read music, just enjoy singing carols! We're only going to lead the congregational singing, but it would be wonderful to have our choir stalls full of enthusiastic singers.

**Come and join us as we rehearse (11am 10th Dec, 11am 17th Dec), or speak to Alice or Ruth.**

# St. Hildeburgh's Parish Church

Stanley Road, Hoylake

TUESDAY 19th DECEMBER 2023

commencing 7.30pm

(Doors open 7.00pm)

## Caldy Rugby Club Choir Off Pitch



Director of music:  
JAN LYON

Will perform both traditional & contemporary

### Festive Songs

with some sing-a-longs

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