Readings for this Sunday 11 July 2021
The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Eph. 1. 3-14  Mark 6. 14-29

Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall

Parish Register

Wedding Blessing
11 July at 12 noon - Adam John Bowers and Gabriella Louise Bowers

Baptism
11 July at 12 noon – Arabella Georgie Bowers

Wedding
24 July at 1pm – Peter Harry Ball and Janet Elizabeth Griffiths

Weekly Beacon

News from St Hildeburgh's
The Parish Church of Hoylake
Sunday 11 July 2021
The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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From August the service for the first Sunday of the month will be available to view on our website www.sthildeburgh.net on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/sthildeburgh or you can view the service on a smart TV. When you are in church, please DO NOT sit on the chairs with tape on the seats - the other chairs have been socially distanced in accordance with instructions. This is for everyone’s safety in the current pandemic. Face coverings must be worn in church at all times. Please use the hand gel provided.

The church is open for individual private prayer Mondays to Thursdays 10am to 12 noon and Sundays after the 10am service until 12 noon.

Services at St Hildeburgh’s

Sundays

8am Holy Communion (said)
10am Holy Communion (sung)

Wednesdays

10am Holy Communion (said)

The situation regarding evening services will be reviewed in September.

A NOTE FROM THE VICAR – JULY ‘21

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Over the next few months the Parishes have been asked to begin conversations arising from the report ‘Living in Love and Faith’. This report has been on the agenda of the national church for some time, and we have been asked to join in.

The idea is that we ask various questions which discusses those who are marginalised by society and the church. The parishes have been asked to provide a safe place where all opinions are shared without judgement in an atmosphere of respect. The conversations will include thoughts on sexuality and how the church has in the past viewed the LGBTI communities (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender, Intersex).

The conversations will be led with various questions to help us listen to each other and ensure everyone is able to express their thoughts and feelings. The aim of the conversations is to help us stand in each other’s shoes and dispel some of the myths. The conversations are not necessarily to change your position but rather to help us consider how the church should respond. Our responses will be given to the Diocese which in turn will be fed into a much larger conversation at General Synod. To help us we will also look at some scripture and spend some time in prayer. These conversations must be prayerfully considered and hopefully we will approach them with an open heart and mind.

For more information search the Chester diocesan website and look for ‘Living in Love and Faith’.

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VOYAGERS

This Sunday Voyagers were at home because one of our school bubbles had to isolate - we missed seeing everyone!

We thought about what it means to be a disciple, and our footprint pictures encourage us to keep following Jesus, step by step, day by day.

Love and prayers,

Christine

DISCIPLES

Anyone
Learning
Helping
Kindness
Following
Together
Everyone is important

Love us and help us to follow you.
Amen.
FLOWER OF THE WEEK: PETUNIA

60th in a series

Text by and photographs by Peter Surridge.

Petunias are the ideal plants with which to fill any spare containers and extend summer’s colourful display. Modern varieties have justifiably given petunias an impressive reputation for patio performance. They have vigour, long-lasting flowers in a range of rich colours, attractive veining and weather-resistance.

Petunias originated in South America, and modern varieties come from crossing three wild species from Argentina with flowers of only two colours – Petunia nyctaginiflora, which has white blooms, and Petunia integrifolia, and violacea, both of which are purple. From those two original colours, petunias have blossomed into almost every imaginable shade and mixture of red, blue, purple, yellow and white. They’re now so genetically mixed up they are all known as Petunia x hybrida and, more popularly, by the names of their varieties and series. There are large-flowered Grandifloras, multi-headed Multifloras, coloured and frilled-edged Picotees, trailers for pots, boxes and hanging baskets, and even frilly double-flowered forms.

Each of the many series has some special quality. Among them are Daddy series – Sugar Daddy, Blue Daddy, etc – very early-flowering; Ultra types including some with striped petals, giving a star-like appearance; Dream series in shades of red, extra weather-resistant; and Wave petunias which are superb for large pots or ground cover because they spread an amazing metre wide. Grandifloras are supposed to be more tolerant than the Multifloras but I know at least one enthusiast who disagrees – and thinks the double-flowered forms are least resistant of all - so it probably depends more on where you are and how sheltered your garden.

We treat petunias as annuals but they are actually perennials – so, theoretically, you could take cuttings and grow them year after year, although in practice you get better plants from seed, and easier ones from plugs, which are small plants grown singly in special cellular seed trays and are widely available in spring.

However, the Surfinia series, arguably the most outstanding petunia of all, can only be raised from cuttings. For the best results, that means buying new plants from the garden centre in March or April and nurturing them with heat until reliably warm weather arrives. Petunias can also be grown from seeds, which are very tiny – almost dust-like – so it’s easier to sow thinly and evenly mixed with a little dry silver sand. Don’t cover it with compost. Use a very thin layer of moist horticultural vermiculite or just sow on the surface and cover the tray with cling-film or glass and a sheet of newspaper to keep the compost moist until germination starts. Then provide plenty of light. Don’t plant out in the garden until you’re absolutely sure the frosts are over. Pick a sunny spot and dead-head, feed and water them regularly until the frosts come back – because that’s how long they’ll keep going.
Check in & Chat Service

Since the onset of the Covid19 lockdown, Wirral Mind has responded by offering welfare telephone calls to those people who feel isolated, lonely, anxious and afraid due to being unable to access our services and others.

Our Check-in and Chat call operatives are on hand to provide practical and emotional support, for anything from accessing emergency food supplies and medicines to alleviating loneliness and isolation. We endeavour to ensure that people are getting the help they need during lockdown periods and beyond; we are especially concerned about reaching those people who may not be in contact with other services or social networks.

We have tried to target services to those struggling because of loss of employment, bereavement and social isolation derived from the pandemic.

Our ultimate aim is to encourage people to access services in person when it is safe to do so, until that can happen we have developed a range of digital workshops, training and peer support groups that will promote and encourage future social networks, reduce feelings of isolation and equip people with the skills and tools that will build resilience.

To make a referral:
Please contact us on 0151 512 2200 or email learning@ wirralmind.org.uk
Our phone lines are open Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm

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