

Readings for Sunday 17 December 2023

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| 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 |

No 6pm evening service

Readings for Sunday 24 December 2023

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| 10am Holy Communion | Acts 13. 16-26 Luke 1. 67-79 Lectionary pp 10-11 |
| 4pm Crib Service | Special Readings |
| 11.30pm Holy Communion | Titus 3. 4-7 Luke 2 (1-7) 8-20 Lectionary pp14-15 |

No 8am service on Christmas Eve

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 17 December 2023 The Third Sunday of Advent

THE COLLECT

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at your first coming sent your messenger
to prepare your way before you:
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
that at your second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S

17 December - 8am Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion
4pm Nine Lessons & Carols

24 December – 10am Holy Communion
4pm Crib Service
11.30pm Holy Communion

No 8am service on Christmas Eve

25 December – 8am Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

No evening service on Christmas Day

WEEKDAY SERVICES:

**No Morning Prayer on Tuesday 26 December
Thursday 28 December or Tuesday 2 January 2024**

**No Prayer Vigil on Tuesday 19 December
or Tuesday 26 December**

**No 10am Service of Holy Communion on
Wednesday 27 December
Next service Wednesday 3 January 2024**

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.

BACON BUTTIES

The last Bacon Butties of 2023 will be served on Tuesday 19 December. Bacon Butties will be back again on Tuesday 9 January 2024.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Flowers have been donated by Sue and Chris Ellis in memory of their parents, grandparents and infant grandson, Boe.

Flowers have also been donated by Kathy Bowden in memory of her husband Alec.

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
4th Hoylake Brownies
West Wirral Scouts
RNLI
The Bank Crochet Group
Connect Northwest
Knitting Ladies for Charity



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

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).

Wirral Hospice St John's
**CHARITY CHRISTMAS
TREE COLLECTION**

Leave the effort of recycling
your real Christmas tree to us!

We welcome donations* in return for
collecting Christmas trees.

| Suggested donation* per Christmas tree: | Wirral postcodes we collect from: |
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| £8.71 under 5 foot | CH41 CH42 CH43 |
| £9.42 5-6 foot | CH44 CH45 CH46 |
| £15.38 6-7 foot | CH47 CH48 CH49 |
| £21.53 7-8 foot | CH60 CH61 CH62 |
| £24.84 8+ foot | CH63 CH64 |



To register your tree
please scan the QR code
or visit:



wirralhospice.org/treecollection

Tree registration will close at
23:59 on Sun 7 Jan 2024

Our van volunteers will be out daily from
Fri 12 Jan until all the trees are collected in!



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Registered Charity No. 510643

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