

Readings for this Sunday 21 March 2021
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Heb. 5. 5-10
John 12. 20-33



Parish Register

Funeral

24 March 2021 – Ann Irene Stephens
Landican Crematorium South Chapel at 2.30pm

Weekly Beacon



News from St Hildeburgh's
The Parish Church of Hoylake
Sunday 21 March 2021
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The Collect

Most merciful God,
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved the world:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory;
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 – CHURCH SERVICES

Unless the situation changes, Revd Paul will be conducting a service of Holy Communion each Sunday at 10am.

If you feel unable to come to church the Sunday service will still be available to view on line on our website www.sthildeburgh.net and on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/sthildeburgh> or you can view the service on a smart TV.

Please DO NOT sit on the chairs marked with an 'X' – the other chairs have been socially distanced in accordance with instructions. This is for everyone's safety in the current pandemic.

The church remains open for individual private prayer Monday to Thursday from 10am to 12 noon and also on Sundays after the 10am service until 12 noon.

**Face coverings must be worn in church at all times
Please use the hand gel provided**

'Daily Hope' National Phone Line

Daily Hope is a free to call national phone line offering music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. Its available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044.

National Day of Reflection – 23 March 2021



To commemorate the first anniversary of lockdown, a National Day of Reflection will take place on 23 March 2021 which will include a minute's silence at noon.

Chester Cathedral will be holding a service on the day at 5.30pm - the service will be available to view on YouTube.

A spiral sculpture will be in place in the nave of Chester Cathedral for four weeks as a focus for prayer and reflection.

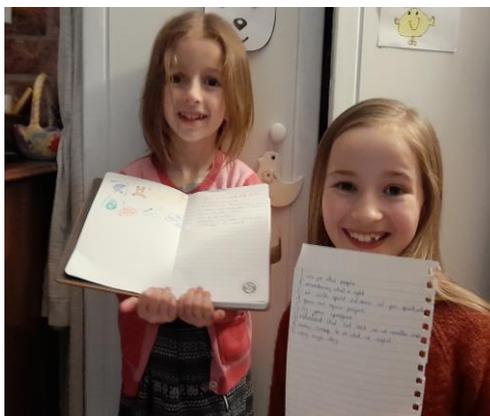
For details go to www.chester.anglican.org or www.chestercathedral.org

VOYAGERS AT HOME

This week in Voyagers we read the parable of the rich fool, who filled his barns with wealth but had no time for God. We talked about the things that truly matter in life, and what it might mean to have treasure in heaven. Vanessa and Lorna wrote some acrostic poems on the theme of treasure.

Vanessa's poem:

Treasure is...
Time for other people
Remembering what is right
Enjoy what you are given and
never let your spirit fall
Again and again forgive
Say your apologies
Understand that God loves us all
no matter what
Ready yourself to do what is right
Every single day.



Lorna's poem:

Treasure is...
Time for God and Jesus
Remember to pray
Everyone is important
Always be happy with what you have
Share with others
Use kind words
Remember to love one another
Every day is special.



Love and prayers,
Christine

23rd March National Day of Reflection Reflect • Support • Hope

Take a minute's silence at 12 noon on 23 March
to show your support for the millions of people who are
bereaved and take a moment to connect with someone.

Scan this QR code to
light a candle online



Church Website



www.sthildeburgh.net

God of Love,

As we think about all that has changed this year,
help us to trust that you are always with us.

As we remember those who have died,
help us to trust they are at peace with you.

As we reach out to others with kindness and care,
may hope shine out in every heart and home.

Amen

National Day of
Reflection
23 March

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ORDER YOUR MESSY CHURCH EASTER SPECIAL GOODY BAGS.

If you know any primary aged children who might like one of our GOODY BAGS for Easter, please contact us on:
messy.church@sthildeburgh.org

We will have time to prepare them before the Easter holidays. They will be COVID safe and with the child's age and gender in mind. No charge.

Each bag will contain crafts, games, activities, and an Easter story, as well as some tasty Easter Edibles!

For more information contact our Messy Church coordinators, Peter Ham or Jane Langley or phone/text 07444884879.

Thank-you to all those who have offered to put the GOODY BAGS together.

Many thanks.
Peter and Jane

WEEKLY LENT DEVOTIONALS

Each week, throughout March, Revd Richard Skinner and Peter Ham will be giving a Lent Devotional reflection, as we approach, and prepare for, Easter. These 4 devotions will be available as videos, from Wednesday each week, online, on the Church website, Facebook page, Twitter page and also on YouTube, for those that have these facilities. If you don't have online access, a printed script or email of each Devotion can be obtained by calling or leaving a message for Peter on 07444884879.

As we approach one of the most important festivals in the Christian year, let us remember the death and resurrection of the Son of God: Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus. God so loved the world that He gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have eternal life.
John 3; 16.

St Hildeburgh's Lent Reflection

A Lent Reflection from St Hildeburgh's is available to view on the following platforms:

www.sthildeburgh.net
<https://www.facebook.com/sthildeburgh>
Twitter: [@sthildeburgh](https://twitter.com/sthildeburgh)

A Gentle Lenten Journey for 2021

This Lent the Diocese of Chester, led by the diocesan Environment Forum, is inviting you to join in with a Lenten journey. Leading the way are 40 individuals from around our Diocese who will each reflect on God's word and God's world. They will delve into scripture and share inspiring personal stories about the small ways in which they are moved to cherish the gift of life. To find out more visit

www.chester.anglican./lent

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: PRIMULA **45th in a series.**

Text and photographs by Peter Surridge (Container photo by Suttons Seeds).

FOR a vivid display in late winter and early spring, the many species and varieties of primula have few rivals. They are hardy, smothered in flowers and come in a huge colour range. If your winter pansies have been seared and tattered by winter's gales and frosts, try primulas or polyanthus next time, either in beds or containers.

There are several primula groups, most of which are hardy perennials. *PRIMROSES* include the wild, pale yellow primrose, *Primula vulgaris* (pictured), which has been crossed with another wild native plant, the oxlip, *Primula elatior*, and with *Primula juliae*, a magenta type from the Caucasus Mountains to produce numerous colourful hybrids.



Wild primroses.

The name *POLYANTHUS* means “many flowers” and these clusters of blooms open on sturdy stems up to 30cm (12in) long in a wide range of colours, from dark purple through shades of blue, lilac, pink, red, orange and bronze to yellow and white. Most have a yellow or golden eye and many are bicoloured. Heritage polyanthus include the classic variety Gold Lace, 15cm-22cm (6in-9in) tall, maroon with a gold centre and edging.

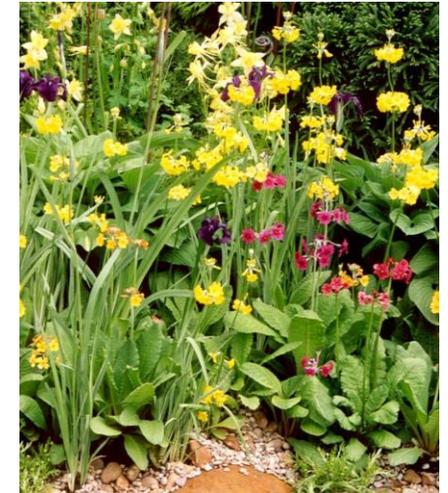
For waterside or bog-garden situations, choose the *CANDELABRA* group with tiers of flowers surrounding the long stems (up to 60cm (2ft)). There are species in several colours, including *Primula beesiana* (deep pink), *Primula bulleyana* (orange), *Primula Inverewe* (bright red) and *Primula japonica* Postford White. They are at their most impressive when grown in mixed colours by water. They are sometimes grown with the unusually-shaped *DRUMSTICK PRIMULA*, *Primula denticulata*, which has a globe of white or purple blooms on top of a 30cm-45cm (12-18in) stem.

The elegant *AURICULAS*, many bearing bright petals in contrast to the white or golden centres, are often grown in alpine houses by enthusiasts for exhibition, but there are also hardy “cottage garden” kinds, some of which are sweetly scented.



Above: *Primula Rambo Red Flame* with *daffodil Jetfire* in a container

Below: *Candelabra primulas.*



The name primula comes from *primus*, Latin for first, indicating early flowering. Another wild flower, the cowslip, has the delightful name *Primula veris* – “first of spring.”

St Hildeburgh's Electoral Roll

If you would like your name added to the Electoral Roll please contact Jill in the Church Office:

0151 632 5339 or email on www.sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

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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