

Readings for this Sunday 21 November 2021

8am Holy Communion
Rev. 1. 46-48
John 18. 33-37
Lectionary pp 387-388

and 10am Holy Communion

6pm Evensong
Daniel ch. 5
John 6. 1-15
Psalm 72

Readings for next Sunday 28 November 2021

8am Holy Communion and
10am Family Praise
1 Thess. 3. 9-end
Luke 21. 25-36

6pm BCP Communion

Monthly Video Reflection

We have launched a new video resource at St Hildeburgh's. Each month, we will be releasing a short video reflection online.

The video is available on both our website and Facebook page. The links are:

Website: <https://www.sthildeburgh.net/reflection.html>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/sthildeburgh>

Parish Register

Funeral

29 November – Anthony George Coburn
St Hildeburgh's at 11am Landican Crematorium at 12 noon

Weekly Beacon



News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake The Sunday Next before Advent Christ the King 21 November 2021

The Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY AT ST HILDEBURGH'S



Photo above courtesy of Rob Shannon



CAKE SALES

As many of you are aware, St Hildeburgh's needs to recommence fundraising. With that in mind it has been decided to have regular cake sales. These will not take place as they have previously. Due to restrictions, we will be asking for your cake orders to be selected from a list – these cakes can be anything from 4 inch to 8 inch whole cakes – cupcakes can be ordered as well. These cakes can be purchased with a donation towards church funds. **The varieties available are: Victoria sponge, Lemon, Chocolate, Coffee and Walnut, Millionaire's shortbread.** A small number of cupcakes will be available after the Sunday service for purchase to enjoy with your cuppa.

Wirral String Orchestra

Wirral String Orchestra have another concert on Wednesday 15th December. The concert starts at 7.30pm at St Hildeburgh's and will last about an hour. Repertoire will include Mozart, Bach, Handel, Ravel and Elgar and the Christmas concert will include some seasonal pieces.

We will be social distancing and ask you to wear masks as you walk round the building. There will be no refreshments and toilets will only be available for emergencies. We are limiting numbers so it is worth booking early as you will need a booked place to attend. Tickets are not on sale but you will need to book places to attend either by emailing nejvla@hotmail.com or calling 07981 152 344 and saying your name, telephone number if calling, which concert or concerts you want places at and how many places you require.

You will be able to make donations at the concerts and money raised is going to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity. So far this year we have raised £2600. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Neill Jackson

50/50 CLUB

Liz Ardus writes:

Hello everyone

I am proposing to start a 50/50 club at church, as I did at Holy Trinity School many years ago. This will be a small monthly fundraiser for church. The object is to sell 100 numbers @ £1 per month, payable in one go for the year (£12) preferably in cash but cheques accepted made out to Hoylake PCC. Each month a draw will take place, probably after family service, and the winning person will get £50 and St Hildeburgh's £50. If we can't sell all 100 numbers then it will just be ½ of whatever amount we have reached ie £30 & £30 if only 60 sold. Anyone can join and have more than one number for an additional £12. You will keep the same number/s for the whole year. I do hope you will support this.

I am available on 632 3544 if anyone wishes me to call me about collecting subscriptions / discuss the scheme. You will need to speak your name on the phone as I have Sky Shield which blocks cold calls. After that I will either answer or you can leave a message and I will get back to you.

If possible, I would like the first draw to be end of November so please contact me as soon as you can or catch me at 10am service on Sundays.

Thanks for reading

Liz Ardus

Come along to ...
St Hildeburgh's



Toys

A play group for pre-school children, their mums, dads, grandparents & carers

Every Wednesday during school terms

10.00am to 11.30am

**St Hildeburgh's Church Centre
Stanley Road
Hoylake**

www.sthildeburgh.net

BEACON BITES

[Matthew 6:25-34](#)

“Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ...”

Peter Ham writes....

This extract from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount teaches us to be less anxious. Jesus knows how worried we can get by the cares of the world. That's why he uses nature and His creation to help us. So, let's look at the birds and plants (the natural world) to remind ourselves of the God who made it. And let's do all we can to look after it and each other.

Put up a bird feeder and you'll be amazed at what turns up! Siskins, Bullfinches and Goldfinches gave us quite a surprise when they turned up last February and early Spring. Look out for them this Winter as they seek nutrients in the coldest part of the year. And don't forget water too!

While you are watching them, know that you are loved by God too.



Photos courtesy of Peter Ham

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: CYCLAMEN

79th in a series.

Text and photographs by Peter Surridge.

Cyclamen have been being sold as elegant pot plants in their tens of thousands this month and it is easy to see their appeal. They have colourful, unusual flowers which bloom for long periods and often marbled leaves which last even longer. There are many species of cyclamen, some hardy and suitable for outdoor cultivation, but the houseplants have been bred from *Cyclamen persicum*, a sweet-scented species 15cm (6in) tall that came to Britain from Turkey and Greece, though, to judge by its species name, it presumably originated in Persia. The generic name cyclamen comes from the Greek *kylos*, a circle, referring to the rounded tubers. The plant has a nickname, sowbread, because the tubers are regarded as a favourite food for pigs in the south of France and Italy.

The most popular houseplants are *Cyclamen persicum* hybrids (pictured), which grow 30cm (12in) tall in shades of magenta, scarlet, pink, lilac and white, often with frills or streaks. Many have been bred in what are called series with a range of colours in each series but similar, height, flowering time and other characteristics. Some of the best series in order of flowering are: Halios, 30cm (1ft) tall with silver marbling on the foliage, late summer to autumn; Mirabelle, 15cm (6in), autumn to early winter; Miracle, 15cm, late autumn to winter; Sierra, 23cm (9in) with marbled leaves, winter. The variety Sierra White has pure white flowers; the eye-catching Victoria (30cm) has ruffled white flowers with bright red edges and mouths; and Gold Medal (25cm – 10in) has very large blooms in a full colour range. A winter-flowering variety, Scentsation, produces strongly scented blooms in many colours on 15cm stems.

When buying cyclamen for the house, select a plant with healthy, uniform foliage, several open flowers on firm, erect stems and 10-15 buds. Most of the buds will be on short stems close to the corm. Display the plant in steady light but not strong, direct sunlight, in a cool but not draughty position, ideally at a steady 16C (61F). Very hot, dry situations should be avoided, like the top of the television set or above a radiator. The higher the temperature, the shorter the flowering period. Keep the compost moist but not wet. Water into the saucer, never from above because moisture on the corm can cause rot. As flowers and leaves start to die, pull them away from the corm with a sharp tug.

Next May, even if the plant is still flowering, reduce watering so the compost is barely moist then, in June, stop watering and lay the pot on its side in a warm, dry, shaded position – under the staging of a greenhouse is suitable. In September, or earlier if the corm starts to produce new shoots, remove the old, dried compost and replot the corm using fresh compost. Place in a cool, lightly-shaded place and increase watering gradually, giving a half-strength feed at increasing intervals.



Above: Elegant pot plant – a deep pink cyclamen at its best.



Right: Elegant outdoor plant – a bank of cyclamen at Hodsock Priory.

Hodsock Priory, near Worksop, Nottinghamshire, is worth visiting for its displays of many winter flowers including cyclamen (pictured).

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

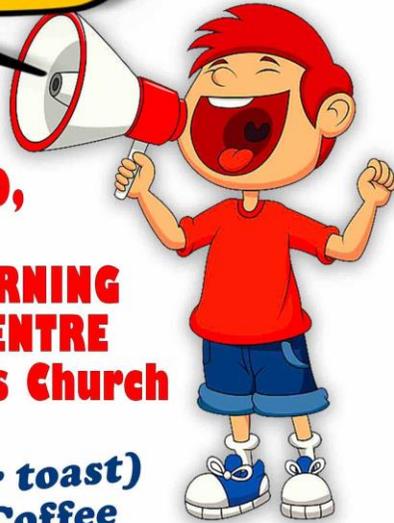
**Every TUESDAY
from
10.30am to 12.00,
we have our
BACON BUTTY MORNING
in our CHURCH CENTRE
at St Hildeburgh's Church
in HoyLake**

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

ALL are Welcome!

NO CHARGE (but donations welcome)

... see you on Tuesday?



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