

Readings for this Sunday 24 October 2021

8am and 10am service: 2 Tim. 3. 14-4.5
 John 5. 36b-end

6pm Evensong: Col. 3. 12-17
 Luke 4. 14-30
 Psalm 191 (1-16)

Readings for next Sunday 31 October 2021

8am and 10am service Rev. 21. 1-6a
 John 11. 32-44

4pm Service for the Departed - Special Readings

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 first, for October and featuring Rev Paul, is now available. 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

Funerals

27 October - Kenneth Hughes
St Hildeburgh's at 1.30pm Landican at 2.30pm

29 October – Ursula Wynne
Landican Crematorium at 12.30pm

Weekly Beacon



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The Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
 help us so to hear them,
 to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
 we may embrace and for ever hold fast
 the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S

Sunday 24 October

8am Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion
6pm Evensong

Wednesdays

10am Holy Communion

The church is open for individual private prayer Mondays to Thursdays 10am to 12 noon and Sundays after the 10am service until 12 noon. Please wear a face mask in church. Thank you

VOYAGERS



*Last Sunday
our Voyagers
made book
marks to
remind them
to walk in the
way of Jesus.*

ALL SOULS SERVICE AT ST HILDEBURGH'S



The All Souls Service will take place on Sunday 31 October at 4pm.

The service will be followed by refreshments in the Church Centre.

If you would like the name of a departed loved one read out during the service, please add their name to the list at the back of church or contact Jill in the Church Office on 0151 632 5339 sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

CREAM TEA FUNDRAISER



Come along to our Church Centre on Thursday 4 November at 2pm and enjoy a selection of delicious homemade cakes and a cuppa. All this together with entertainment and a raffle!

As this is a fundraising event payment is by donation

Please note that the sign-up list will close on Sunday 31 October so its important that you let us know if you want to come before then.

If you would like to come, please add your name to the list at the back of church or contact Jane on 07743090210 or the Church Office on 0151 632 5339 sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

Please also indicate any dietary requirements

FISH AND CHIP FUNDRAISING SUPPER

You are invited to a
2 Course Fish and Chip Fundraising Supper
On
Friday 12 November at 7pm
in the Church Centre

Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring your own drinks

There will be entertainment and a raffle

As this is a fundraising event payment is by donation

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St Hildeburgh's Tots

It was great to welcome a good crowd of adults and pre-school youngsters to this week's "St Hildeburgh's Tots" in our Church Centre (pictured). Everyone had lots of fun, with refreshments served afterwards.



Numbers at "Tots" are gradually growing. "Tots" takes a break on Wednesday 27 October because it is school half term. It will resume - with all the usual fun and games - on Wednesday 3 November.

If you have not been along with your youngsters before, you would be very welcome!

**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?



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.

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR CHRISTMAS CAKE!

To raise more funds for St Hildeburgh's, Jane is now taking orders for Christmas Cakes. There are two sizes – a small 4 inch cake or an 8 inch family size cake. **For all cake orders please contact Jane on 07743090210.**

CHRISTMAS MEAL

We will be holding a three course Christmas Meal in the Church Centre on Friday 10 December at 7pm with entertainment and a raffle. Tea/coffee will be provided but please bring your own drinks. Tickets are £20 per person.

To book your place please add your name to the list at the back of church **or** contact the Church office on 632 5339 sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

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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

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: CARYOPTERIS

75th in a series

Text and photograph by Peter Surridge.

Any shrub that carries on blooming in autumn, when most ornamental trees and bushes have shrugged off their finery, is welcome but one with blue flowers so late in the season warrants an even more fulsome greeting. The plant in question is caryopteris, a mound-forming shrub from the Himalayas, which waits until the days shorten before coming into bloom. Its name is not particularly memorable – it is derived from the Greek for the plant's winged fruit – but the soft blue flowers and aromatic silvery foliage are. Varieties of *Caryopteris x clandonensis* are the best kinds.

The variety Arthur Simmonds is an upright, compact, small shrub, growing to about 1m (3ft) with masses of bright blue flowers along its branches. It also has scented leaves and, all in all, is a fitting tribute to its raiser, after whom it is named and who served the Royal Horticultural Society as secretary for many years. Another variety, Ferndown (pictured), appeared as a seedling of Arthur Simmonds and is very much like its parent except that the flowers are a darker blue with a hint of violet. Even deeper blue is Dark Knight. Other excellent varieties are Heavenly Blue, with scented blue-grey leaves and rich, mid-blue flowers; Kew Blue, with grey-green leaves and clear blue blooms; and Worcester Gold, which has warm yellow-green foliage and lavender-blue flowers. The species *Caryopteris incana* grows a little larger and has violet-blue or occasionally white flowers.

Caryopteris like reasonably fertile soil but will not mind whether it is acid or alkaline. To see them at their bluest best, plant them where they can bask in the sun all day. They are hardy but will need protection if the temperature drops below minus 15C (minus 5F). If branches are killed back, they can be pruned in spring because they flower on the current season's growth – in fact, they are best cut back to a woody framework every spring.



Left: Short-day shrub – the blue flowers of *Caryopteris x clandonensis* Ferndown

HELP US RESTORE CHURCH WOODLAND

It is 40 years since we started our programme of care for St Hildeburgh's church grounds which has included the creation of our woodland walks. However, no significant work has taken place in the past 18 months, owing to Covid-19 and atrocious weather on the dates we had hoped to work. As a result we will need two or three sessions to restore the grounds and the walks to anything approaching their 2019 condition.

Our first session will take place **this Saturday, October 30**, from 10am to 2pm. The second will take place all day on **Saturday, November 13**, with the main sessions from 10am-1pm and 2pm-4pm.

If you can, please bring sturdy gloves, secateurs, saws, rakes, forks, spades and wheelbarrows. For the second session also bring brooms – we will tidy up the car park later in the day provided we have enough volunteers. More details are available from Peter Surridge on 07778-517759 or 632-5507.

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



www.wirralmind.org.uk
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Weekly Beacon

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If you wish to contribute an article or place a notice in the Weekly Beacon please e-mail sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

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