

## **Readings for this Sunday 28 August**

8am Holy Communion      Heb. 13. 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14. 1, 7-14  
Lectionary pp 514-515  
10am Family Praise      Heb. 13. 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14. 1, 7-14  
Lectionary pp 514-515

*No evening service*

## **Readings for next Sunday 4 September**

8am Holy Communion      Philemon 1-21 Luke 14. 25-33  
Lectionary pp 517-518  
10am Healing Eucharist      Philemon 1-21 Luke 14. 25-33  
Lectionary pp 517-518  
6pm Evensong      Isa. 43.14 – 44.5 John 5. 3-end  
Psalm 121

## **Parish Register**

### **Funerals**

7 September - Michael John Page  
St Hildeburgh's at 1.30pm Landican Crematorium South Chapel at 2.30pm

12 September – Alan Meaker  
Landican Crematorium South Chapel at 12.30pm

14 September – Richard Lucas  
St Hildeburgh's at 12 noon. Landican Crematorium at 1.30pm

### **Baptism**

28 August at 10am – Lennon-James Leo King

## **Weekly Beacon**



## **News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 28 August 2022**

### **THE COLLECT**

O God, you declare your almighty power  
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity.  
Mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your commandments,  
may receive your gracious promises  
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;  
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.

## **WE NEED JAM JARS!**

One of the stalls at our Christmas Tree Festival this year will be selling homemade preserves – an exciting variety of jams, marmalades and chutney - but we are short of jars! Could you help please?

Used jam jars should be washed and dried and, if possible, still have their lids.

**Please leave your jam jars at the back of church in the plastic box marked 'Jam Jars'.**

*Thank you.*

## **ST HILDEBURGH'S TOTS**

We welcome all mums, dads, grans, granddads and carers with their tots when we open on 14 September at 10am. You will enjoy fun and games along with refreshments; tea, coffee, biscuits and snacks for the children.

We are open in the church hall every Wednesday in school term time and hope to see you all very soon.

***Margaret Wright***

## **ST HILDEBURGH'S VOYAGERS**

Last Sunday our Voyagers discussed what happens when Jesus heals us.

Pictured - Revd John asks the Voyagers about the people Jesus healed – including the Samaritan woman at the well, blind Bartimaeus and the ten lepers.



## **FLOWER OF THE WEEK: HIBISCUS**

### **117th in a series**

***Text and photographs by Peter Surridge.***

HIBISCUS tend to be associated with more equable climates than ours, even the globally-warmed version. However, some hibiscus are tough enough to be grown outdoors in Britain. *Hibiscus syriacus* (pictured), which will tolerate several degrees of frost, is the most reliable. It grows into an erect shrub up to 3m tall and 2m wide (10ft x 6.6ft) in ideal conditions and produces trumpet-shaped flowers 6cm (2.5in) wide, dark pink with a red centre, yellow anthers and white stamens. Some 30 varieties have been bred from this species, often with larger flowers. Some of the best are Blue Bird (pictured), which has bright blue blossoms with red centres; Diana, with huge white flowers up to 12cm (5in) across; Lady Stanley, double white blooms flushed with pink; Red Heart, white with a red centre; and Woodbridge, rich pink with a dark pink centre. *Hibiscus rosa-sinensis* (Rose of China) is a spectacular large shrub but needs protection for much of the year. There are many varieties including Scarlet Giant (pictured).

Where there is inadequate space for such large plants, the overlooked 'flower of an hour', the species *Hibiscus trionum*, can be grown. Treated as half-hardy annual, it develops quickly from a spring sowing with protection to a 60cm (2ft) plant which can be planted out in May. In sheltered situations seeds can be sown in April where they are to flower and thinned to 30cm (1ft) apart. The plants produce numerous short-lived flowers from mid-summer to early autumn, 8cm (3in) across, cream with a chocolate centre and purple stamens. They are followed by unusual bladder-shaped seed pods. It is an excellent and unusual plant for the border or containers. Good varieties include Simply Love. Both species of hibiscus mentioned thrive in well-drained soil, in sun or light shade. They are fairly free of pests and diseases though greenfly and powdery mildew can be a problem.



***Above left: Hibiscus syriacus  
Blue Bird***

***Above right: Mixed flowers of  
Hibiscus syriacus***

***Left: Hibiscus rosa-sinensis  
Scarlet Giant.***



Seeds are not easy to find but Chiltern Seeds in Oxfordshire have a good selection including red and white-flowered forms of *Hibiscus syriacus*, *Hibiscus trionum* and *Hibiscus moscheutos* Galaxy, an outstanding hybrid, a 1.2m (4ft) shrub with huge blooms in mixed colours. It is said to tolerate minus 20C (minus 4F) when mature.

Hibiscus is a member of the mallow family – indeed, its name is Greek for mallow. *Hibiscus syriacus* originates not from Syria but from China and India.

## Hoylake & West Kirby Lifeboats

### Hoylake Lifeboat Station

### “Meet and Greet Day”

**Saturday 3rd September 10am - 4pm**

**Come along and meet the Lifeboat crews and see some of the amazing equipment used in rescues.**

**Chat with other members of Emergency Services that keep us all safe.**

- ◆ Christmas cards on sale
  - ◆ Tombola
- ◆ Souvenir Shop Open

***\*Please remember to park sensibly ...  
Traffic Wardens usually on duty!***

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