Readings for this Sunday 29 August 2021
The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity
James 1. 17-end   Mark 7. 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Readings for next Sunday 5 September 2021
James 2. 1-10 (11-13) 14-17   Mark 7. 24-end

Services at St Hildeburgh’s

Sundays
8am   Holy Communion
10am   Holy Communion

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.

Parish Register

Baptism
5 September at 11.45am Freya Beatrice Selby-Milic

Funerals
1 September – Diane Veronica Montgomery
10am at Landican Crematorium

7 September – Terence Denby Smith
St Hildeburgh’s at 1.30pm. Frankby Cemetery at 3pm

Weekly Beacon

The Collect

Almighty God,
who called your Church to bear witness
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Tuesday Bacon Butties are Back!

*Nigel Hall writes:*

It was wonderful to welcome a good crowd of folk to our weekly bacon butty morning last Tuesday (pictured). We had several old friends joining us, as well as a number of new faces.

*Why not join us next Tuesday?* Our Bacon Butty Morning takes place every Tuesday, between 10.30am and 12 noon, in our church centre.

All are welcome for tea, coffee, a bacon butty or toast - and good fellowship! There is no charge (but donations are always welcome).

HELP NEEDED!!!

We are delighted to announce that “Messy Church together”, rather than “Messy Church at Home” is back. We will be meeting on Saturday 18th September. Whether or not you have been involved as a member of the team before, we would love to see you there as we welcome families back to this unique and popular form of worship. We would also value your thoughts and ideas AND PRAYERS, as we carefully and safely move to a more open form of meeting at St. Hildeburgh's.

So…please make a note of the date in your diary, keep it free and consider yourself booked! More news to come!

Over the years Messy Church, together with Voyagers, Family Services, Toddler Group, baptisms and confirmations, and school visits, have been important means of reaching our local families, teaching them of God’s love. We are thankful, that throughout the pandemic, Voyagers, under Christine’s inspiring leadership, has continued. Now that COVID restrictions are easing, many of our other forms of family ministry can begin again, together with, who knows, some new ones.

Please contact Jane Langley or Peter Ham through the Church Office or in person, about helping in any capacity.

Thankyou!
**LIFEBOAT SERVICE**

The Lifeboat Service has been cancelled this year, but we are looking forward to next year’s service.

**MUMS AND TOTS**

We are beginning to return to normal after the last 18 months of curtailed activities. We are planning to start up our Mums and Tots mornings again on Wednesday 8 September at 10am.

We meet each Wednesday in the Church Hall at 10am. All Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Carers are welcome to bring their little children up to 3 years old to join in the FUN.

If you know anyone who would be interested in coming along, either your own family, friends or neighbours please pass on the invitation to join us in the Church Hall.

We provide tea, coffee, biscuits, fruit and snacks with a small charge of £1 to cover the cost. It gives a good opportunity for toddlers to socialise and for the adults to chat together - exchanging ideas and information.

Margaret Wright

**COMMON WORSHIP LECTIONARIES**

The number of Common Worship Lectionaries available to borrow from church has reduced over time and we are now down to two copies. It would really be appreciated if you could please take a few minutes to look through your book shelves to see if one is hiding there. Thank you.

**WIRRAL FOODBANK**

The Wirral Foodbank provides a vital service supporting people in the community. Your response to Revd Paul’s appeal for donations has been outstanding but the work of the foodbank continues.

If you would like to donate, please leave your bags of food in the Vicarage porch at 1 Stanley Road, Hoylake CH47 1HL. Thank you.
FERNDALE ROAD PRESENTS

BEACH IN THE STREET

HOYLAKE RNLI FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY 29TH AUGUST
12 - 4 PM
IN FERNDALE ROAD, HOYLAKE

RAFFLE AND AUCTION
ALL PRIZES DONATED BY LOCAL BUSINESSES

SEASIDE THEMED GAMES

CAKES, SWEETS AND ICE CREAM

ADULT AND KIDS TOMBOLA

TOY STALL

PLANTS AND BOTTLE LIGHTS
PLUS MUCH MORE!

Oh! I do like to be beside the seaside...

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Hoyle Road RNLI Fun-draiser

**BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY**

30 AUG 2021 12 - 4PM

As the annual lifeboat open day has been cancelled again this year, the residents of Hoyle Road are coming together to organise another day of FUN-draising in aid of the fantastic RNLI.

- BRIC-A-BRAC stall
- Children’s Toys/Games/Cuddly Toys
- Book Stalls – Adults AND Children
- CAKE stalls!!!
- Plant Sale both indoor and outdoor!!
- Mermaid Trail!!!
- TOMBOLA with AMAZING prizes!

Lifeboats

Save the date

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Image of RNLI lifeboat

Lifeboats
Wirral Orchestra has two more 'Outdoor Garden' concerts at the church on Saturday 4th and Saturday 11th both starting at 11am and will last about an hour. You will need to bring a chair or you can sit on the grass. Feel free to bring drinks along. If you specifically need a chair to attend do ask as it can be arranged. The concerts will include a wide range of music from Mozart and Haydn to Boyce, Purcell and Elgar as well as some folk music, ragtimes and other lollipops and it shall be two different programmes of music. There are no tickets but you must book a place - you can email nejvla@hotmail.com or call 07981152344 and leave your name and number if phoning, which concert (or concerts) you wish to attend and how many people are coming. Donations will go to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity.

Charity walk

Some of you may remember that because we were able to do no concerts last year we held a sponsored walk. We are doing another at the end of September from our rehearsal venue in Bebington to St Hildeburgh's. If anybody wishes to join in please get in touch - nejvla@hotmail.com. You do not have to walk the whole 10 miles and I can suggest some shorter stretches or circular walks along the route.

Donations

If you want to make a donation to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity you can send a cheque made out to Clatterbridge Cancer Charity to Charity Office, Clatterbridge Cancer Centre, Clatterbridge Road, Wirral. CH63 4JY. Please write Wirral Orchestra on the back. You can use Bacs: Natwest Port Sunlight, Sort code 010702, Account number 48424641. Or you can visit the Orchestra's just giving page which is on the Orchestra's facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/WirralOrchestra

So far we have raised over £1000 for the Cancer Centre.

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FLOWER OF THE WEEK: LAVENDER

67th in a series

Text and photographs by Peter Surridge

Lavender never goes out of fashion. The old cottage garden shrub remains a favourite with its scent, evergreen foliage, soft colours, ease of propagation and reliability in most soils. Plant a single bush for a border feature, one each side of a gate or arch as scented sentinels, or several to make a superb low hedge. The flowers appear from June to September, depending on variety, in spikes at the tops of erect stems held above the foliage. They are generally in shades of blue but there are also pink and white types. Bees and hoverflies love the blooms, which last for weeks.

Lavender takes its name from the Latin lavare, to wash, which refers to the plant’s former use. Most species of lavender originated in the western Mediterranean area but two kinds have been a favourite in Britain for so many centuries that they are sold as ‘English’ or ‘old English.’ The kind known as Old English is Lavandula spica, also sold as Lavandula angustifolia, which has pale blue or mauve flowers on a fairly large bush up to 90cm (3ft) in height and spread. Three smaller shrubs, 60cm tall and 75cm across (2ft x 2ft 6in), all with richly coloured, darker flowers are the shapely Imperial Gem (pictured), Hidcote, and very free-flowering Twickel Purple. The form sometimes known as English lavender, Lavandula x intermedia, is a cross between Lavandula spica and Lavandula latifolia. One of the most spectacular because of its “butterfly” bracts is Lavandula stoechas (pictured), which is called French lavender but in fact comes from Spain and Portugal. Lavandula dentata has a lax habit, foliage with delicate zig-zag edges and pale blue flowers.

Most lavenders are extremely hardy as long as they are grown in well-drained soil. They can be cultivated in large pots but will not normally live there for more than two or three years. Keeping a lavender bush tidy takes only five minutes a year. Prune young bushes to develop a rounded shape in early autumn and mature shrubs when they have finished flowering. Cut off the stems and seed heads and hang them to dry for pot-pourri. Then trim the bush firmly and evenly all over with a sharp pair of garden shears, cutting off the old flower stems and into the young shoots produced this year, to make a neat dome shape. Don’t cut into old wood of a well-shaped bush.

Propagation is easy. Take 15cm (6in) cuttings in August from stems that have not flowered. Trim them below a leaf-joint, strip off all leaves except four to six at the top. Make a V-trench in a semi-shaded border and insert the cuttings to two-thirds of their length. If the soil is at all heavy, fill the trench first with a gritty mixture such as cuttings compost. Make sure the compost does not dry out. The cuttings should root within a couple of months. Cuttings can also be rooted in pots or in a cold frame.
Coffee After Sunday Service

Don’t forget you can now enjoy a cup of tea or coffee in the Church Centre after the 10am Sunday Service.

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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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Hope Together

A well-produced, accessible booklet, ‘Hope in Uncertain Times’ has been written as a resource for churches. Free copies are available at the back of church. If there are no copies left, please contact Jill in the Church Office (0151 632 5339 or email on www.sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com

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