Readings for Sunday 3 December 2023

8am Holy Communion

1 Cor. 1. 3-9 Mark 13. 24-37 Lectionary pp 233.234

10am Holy Communion1 Cor. 1. 3-9 Mark 13. 24-37Lectionary pp 233.234

4pm Christingle

Special Readings

Readings for Sunday 10 December 2023

8am Holy Communion

1 Thes. 5. 16-24 John 1. 6-8. 19-28 Lectionary pp 238-239

1 Thes. 5, 16-24

To be chosen

John 1. 6-8. 19-28 Lectionary pp 238-239

10am Holy Communion

6pm Open Worship

PARISH REGISTER

Funeral

8 December 2023 – Gloria Owen Landican Crematorium South Chapel at 1.30pm

Weekly Beacon



News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 3 December 2023 The First Sunday of Advent

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023 HOSTED BY ST HILDEBURGH'S CHURCH STANLEY ROAD, HOYLAKE CH47 1HL



PROGRAMME

Friday 1st December

6.30pm. Grand opening - ROCK CHOIR

Saturday 2nd December

- 11 am HOLY TRINITY School Choir
- 11.45 am PAUL PARSONS
- 1-2.30pm KYLEMORE COLLECTIVE
- 2.45pm MOCKBEGGAR MORRIS DANCERS

Sunday 3rd December

- 2pm CONCOURSE SINGERS
- 3pm HOYLAKE CHORAL SOCIETY



4pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Father Christmas will be visiting each day – times vary.

IN THE CHURCH HALL

The Christmas Café

Open from 10am to 4pm Tea, coffee, mince pies, light snacks. Homemade soup and a bread roll served at lunchtime.

Stalls

Crafts. Jewellery. Homemade cakes and preserves. Gifts

Raffle and Tombola

Admission: £3 per adult

(CASH OR CARD)

No charge for children or care home residents

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THANK YOU

A big 'Thank You' to the following businesses and groups for taking part in this year's Christmas Tree Festival.

BUSINESSES

Island Electrical The Old Garden Hoylake Cottage Hospital **Red Rocks Nursing Home** Westhaven Nursing Home The Anchorage Nursing Home The Mulberry Tree Kid's Planet Nursery Waxlyrical North Villa Apartments Hoylake School of Dance Morrisons Abbeyfield Hoylake & West Kirby Caldy Signs Peter Edwards Law Springview at Clatterbridge Hospital Holy Trinity CofE Primary School Poppy Willow Crafts Popsy's café Luna Cole Jewellery

GROUPS

Rock Choir Air Cadets 472 Squadron Cameo Slimming World St Hildeburgh's Choir St Hildeburgh's Guild St Hildeburgh's Tots Voyagers 4th Hoylake Brownies West Wirral Scouts RNLI The Bank Crochet Group Connect Northwest Knitting Ladies for Charity



PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER (PSO) PETER HAM

Peter Ham writes:

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Please find at the back of Church, fresh copies of the Church of England's leaflet, "Safeguarding - a pocket guide." They give a brief but very helpful guide to help if you have any safeguarding concerns as well as dos and don'ts. On the back of the leaflets are the revised safeguarding contact numbers within the church, the Diocese and the Council. Please limit yourself to one leaflet per household and keep it somewhere prominent.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Peter Ham (Parish Safeguarding Officer).

FLOWERS

The altar flowers this week have been given by Pat Coates in memory of Don Gillespie who was a longtime member of our church.

<u>50 / 50 CLUB</u>

Dear all,

Thank you so much for your support over the last couple of years with the 50/50 draw, over this time it has raised £1000 for church funds. I have decided though that it has run its course and the last draw took place at the end of October.

To round off 2023 I thought it may be nice to have a pre-Christmas draw. Keep the numbers you have or pay for more if you want @ £2 per number with all the money going into the prize pot. I will have my book with me on Sunday, and each week after so come and see me, with your wallets and purses to be in with a chance. Preferably cash for this please as it will make it easier for me to manage.

Good Luck everyone and thanks again for past support.

Regards. Liz Ardus

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



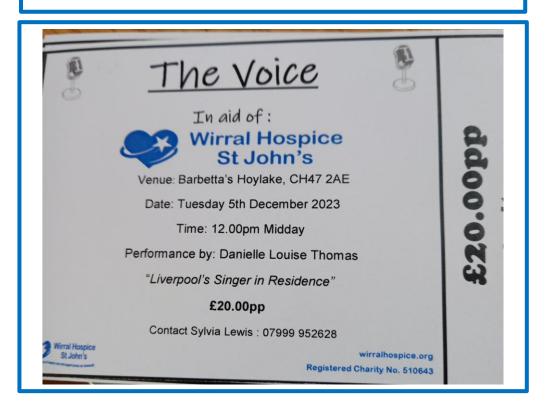
Pictured during last Sunday's Family Praise service, Ruth Calcott celebrates her November birthday.

'THANK YOU'

Revd Paul would like to thank everyone for their emails and cards whilst he was unwell. These were really appreciated and he is now back at work as normal.

SHERRY AND MINCE PIES

Revd Paul and Revd Gillian invite you to join them at the Vicarage for sherry and mince pies on Friday 29 December between 10am and 12.30pm. Tea and coffee will also be available.





Christmas Choir!



Our Musical Director resigned a few weeks ago for personal reasons, but we're still going to have a choir for our Nine Lessons and Carols service this year (4pm on 17th December). We'd love people to come and join us to sing all the well-known carols with the choir.

You don't need to be able to read music, just enjoy singing carols! We're only going to lead the congregational singing, but it would be wonderful to have our choir stalls full of enthusiastic singers.

Come and join us as we rehearse (9.30am 3rd Dec, 11am 10th Dec, 11am 17th Dec), or speak to Alice or Ruth.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S



Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall

3 December at 4pm	Christingle
17 December at 4pm	Nine Lessons & Carols
24 December at 4pm	Crib Service
24 December at 11.30pm	Holy Communion
25 December at 8am	Holy Communion
25 December at 10am	Holy Communion

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