

**Readings for this Sunday 4 July 2021**  
**The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

2 Cor. 12. 2-10    Mark 6. 1-13



*Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall*

**Parish Register**

**Funeral**

16 July - Edward Radestock  
St Hildeburghs at 12 noon followed by private committal at Landican Crematorium

**Weekly Beacon**



**News from St Hildeburgh's**  
**The Parish Church of Hoylake**  
**Sunday 4 July 2021**  
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**The Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

From August the service for the first Sunday of the month will be available to view on our website [www.sthildeburgh.net](http://www.sthildeburgh.net) on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/sthildeburgh> or you can view the service on a smart TV. **When you are in church, please DO NOT sit on the chairs with tape on the seats - the other chairs have been socially distanced in accordance with instructions. This is for everyone's safety in the current pandemic. Face coverings must be worn in church at all times. Please use the hand gel provided**

The church is open for individual private prayer Mondays to Thursdays 10am to 12 noon and Sundays after the 10am service until 12 noon.

## **Services at St Hildeburgh's**

### **Sundays**

8am Holy Communion (said)  
10am Holy Communion (sung)

### **Wednesdays**

10am Holy Communion (said)

***The situation regarding evening services will be reviewed in September.***

## **VOYAGERS**



Our Voyagers discuss their work with Rev'd Paul.

## **CHURCH CAR PARK**

Due to building work to the boundary wall gateposts, the church car park will be closed all day on Saturday 3 July and Sunday 4 July.

## **'THANK YOU' FROM REV'D RICHARD**

Thank you. Yes, thank you to everyone not only those who took the time to watch the Priesting service on the 19th., those who attended my first Eucharist, but also those who have been praying for me during this time. We had spent from 5 o'clock on the Wednesday as a group in retreat together. We began in the cathedral, moved to Foxhill, the diocesan retreat house near Helsby, for two days and then had been at Bishop's House all Saturday until the service. It was a long service so I must admit I was rather tired as well as elated by the end.



*Right: Rev'd Richard being Ordained.*

*Left: Rev'd Richard and Rev'd Frances after the service outside Chester Cathedral.*



Some of you may be wondering why I did not celebrate on Sunday 20th., but I was at Meols leading the service as my wife Frances celebrated her first Eucharist. I sure you can appreciate we both wanted to be with each other at this momentous time. Anyway, I wanted to be able to sing at my service, but unfortunately that was not to be, however the choir and Rob rose to the occasion and sang or played the hymns that mean a lot to me.

I would also like to thank you all for your gift of the Old English Oil Stocks. They are a necessity to my work as a priest and will also mean I will feel more at one with the service on Maundy Thursday at the Cathedral when the sacred oils are distributed.

Again, thank you all very much for your support this last year, a strange time but hopefully one that is nearing its end.

Blessing to you all.

Richard.

## **FLOWER OF THE WEEK: DIANTHUS**

### **59th in a series**

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

Pinks are not called by that name because of their colour. They may be white, yellow or any shade of red. The name 'pink' refers to the edges of the petals which have little notches around them. The term is derived from the dressmakers' scissors which cut cloth in a notched pattern to stop it from fraying – pinking shears. Their botanical name is *Dianthus* from the Greek for 'flower of Zeus'. There are some 300 species, mainly from Europe and western Asia, including carnations and sweet williams.

Pinks are smaller and more delicate than carnations. Old-fashioned pinks grow slowly to about 1ft (30cm) tall and produce a single flush of flowers in June. The varieties Excelsior, carmine, and Mrs Sinkins (pictured), a white double, are among the all-time greats, while Gran's Favourite, white edged with reddish-purple lace, is a fine, sweetly scented semi-double.



***Left:***

***An all-time great...the white double Mrs Sinkins.***

Modern pinks are quicker growing and flower through much of the summer, with a second flush in autumn. Proven varieties include Doris, light rose with a carmine ring, Show Pearl, white, and Robin, scarlet. All of these, and carnations, will thrive in sunshine in any well-drained soil, provided it is not acid. They can be grown from seeds in April, cuttings or 'pipings' in a cold frame or under a glass jar in shade in July, or from sideshoots layered in August. Pipings are sections of the stiff, round stems which are taken from the plant by being sharply upwards from a leaf-joint.

Sweet williams (pictured) are the poor relations among their prestigious cousins but that does not diminish their charm. They are easy to grow from seed and sturdy stems make them excellent for cutting. The flowers, with a light, clove-like scent, appear in clusters 12cm (5in) wide in many shades of red, mauve and pink, often with bands of colour on white or other pale backgrounds. They can reach 70cm in height and make clumps 30cm wide (28in x 12in). The specific name *barbatus* is Latin for 'beard,' referring to the tufts on the flower buds. Sweet williams are perennials, lasting just a few years, but are best grown as biennials, taking a year or so to reach full flowering from sowing. Sown in a nursery bed in May or June, they are planted out in autumn and over-wintered with protection from severe weather, especially high winds, for flowering next summer. They like well-drained soil, tolerate chalky ground, prefer sun or light shade and are fairly free of problems but occasionally attacked by aphids.



***Right:***

***Bands of colour...sweet williams showing typical markings.***

It is not clear who "sweet william" was. The 'language of flowers' devised in Victorian times lists the plant to represent happiness. William, whoever he may have been, was older because the flower's name crops up in ancient ballads

## 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](mailto:learning@wirralmind.org.uk)

Our phone lines are open Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm



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