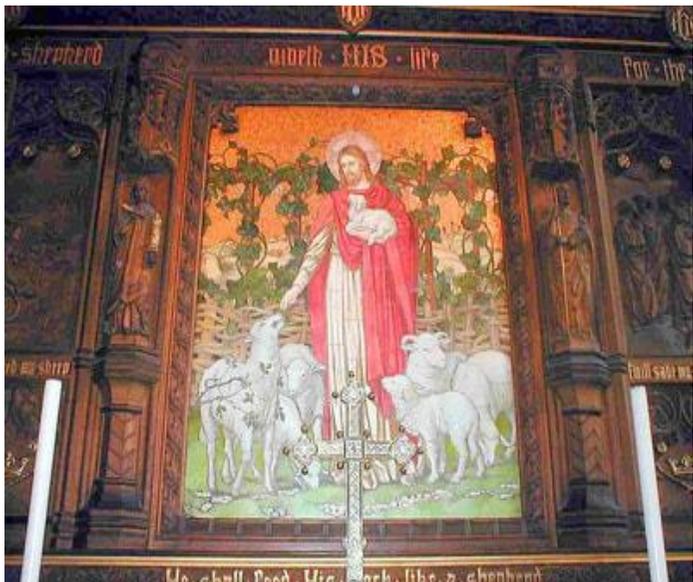


**Readings for this Sunday**  
**5 July 2020 – The Fourth Sunday After Trinity**

Romans 7. 15-25a  
Matthew 11. 16-19. 25-end



**Parish Register**

There are no entries in the Parish Register this week.

**Weekly Beacon**



**News from St Hildeburgh's**  
**The Parish Church of Hoylake**  
**Sunday 5 July 2020**  
**The Fourth Sunday After Trinity**

**THE COLLECT FOR TODAY**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **A Note from Rev'd Paul**

As we reopen the church according to Church of England instructions, it is very important to abide by the regulations for social distancing that have been marked out in church. Please **DO NOT** sit on the chairs marked with an 'X' – the other chairs have been socially distanced in accordance with instructions. This is for everyone's safety in the current pandemic.



*Each Sunday from 5 July 2020 at 10am, Rev'd Paul will conduct a said service of Holy Communion in church. This will be conducted in line with Church of England guidance and may change as things develop. The Church Centre remains closed for the time being.*

### **St Hildeburgh's Church** **Open for Individual Private Prayer**

In line with government advice, St Hildeburgh's church is now open for individual Private Prayer.

The days and times of opening are as follows:

Mondays	9am to 12noon
Tuesdays	9am to 12 noon
Wednesdays	9am to 12 noon
Thursdays	9am to 12 noon
Fridays	9am to 12 noon
<b>NOT OPEN ON SATURDAYS</b>	
Sundays	9am to 12 noon

## **Wirral Foodbank**

Demand for support from the Wirral Foodbank has increased substantially and your donations are needed more than ever.

### **Urgently needed items:**

Tinned meat.  
Tinned vegetables  
Tinned fruit  
Custard

**You can donate non-perishable foodstuffs by leaving them in the porch at:**

**The Vicarage, 1 Stanley Road, Hoylake, Wirral CH47 1HL.**

## **YOUR HELP NEEDED**

Recently, several people from other countries have been staying here in Hoylake. Could you help to provide the following items to make their stay more comfortable please?

**The items are:**

- **men's trainers**
- **men's underpants**
- **men's toiletries**

Please leave your donations in the porch at The Vicarage, 1 Stanley Road, Hoylake, CH47 1HL.

Thank you.

## **A Notice About Giving From The Treasurer**

**A big thank you to all of you who have helped to support church funds at a time when there have been no collections at church services. Your contributions help us to maintain our support for the local community. Please use any of these methods of payment:**

**1. Direct Payment to our Bank**

This is the easiest method for everybody if you have computer access or are able to travel to your branch.

Our Account Name : **Hoylake Parochial Church Council**

Sort Code : **40-25-08**

Account Number : **20445800**

**2. If you would like to set up a new gift aided donation contact George Dafnis on 632-5927. He will supply the necessary form and information.**

**3. If you do not have computer access please enclose your donation in an envelope and post it through the vicarage front door.**

**"Cheques should be made payable to Hoylake PCC"**

If you already subscribe to the envelope system, please use your normal weekly envelope

The postal address is The Vicarage, 1 Stanley Road, Hoylake, CH47 1HL if you are self isolating

**4. If you have any further queries please contact Lytton Goodwin on 632-6923**

### **Gift Aid**

Are you a taxpayer? Did you know that we can claim an additional 20% of your donation back from the Inland Revenue under the Gift Aid Scheme? If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please **include your name and address** in any correspondence. Alternatively, if you are making a direct payment to our bank account please send your name and address to the Church Office for the attention of the Treasurer.

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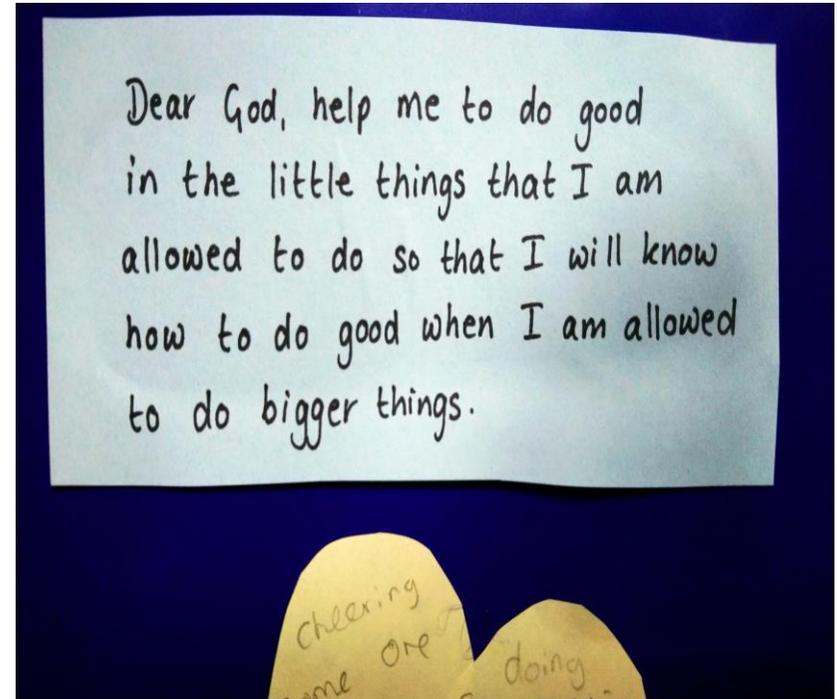
## Voyagers at Home

This week we carried on thinking about following Jesus, based around the theme of "a cup of cold water."



We remembered that when we help and encourage others, however small it might seem, we are serving Jesus.

Vanessa and Lorna made flowers and on each petal we wrote some of the things they have been doing at home and in school to help others.



Love and prayers,  
Christine

## **'Full Steam Ahead'**

*Geoff Burns writes:*

To remain buoyant during the lockdown I have been making some model boats. About eighteen months ago I became interested in the late Victorian steam launches which sailed on Windermere and the Thames.

Last year, Sue and I visited the new Windermere Steam Boat Museum. We had a fifty-minute sail on the newly restored steam launch 'Osprey' built in 1902. She has a five-cylinder steam engine and her woodwork can only be described as 'magnificent'. The launches are not large, intended originally for family use; Osprey sailed at about four miles per hour and made her stately progress round the lake islands.

Low pressure steam engines are almost silent, eerily quiet, no throbbing diesel or oil exhaust and the best Welsh steam coal makes very little smoke. It seems appropriate to say that the sensation of sailing was that of gliding or floating.

Anyway, I fell in love with her and sent for steam launch plans from the Model Boats magazine and various woods from Hobbies.

I have made one Windermere launch c.1890 and one paddle wheel driven launch c.1870.

The Boat Museum is well worth a visit when things are back to normal and all is well - which is my earnest prayer for us all.

## **St Hildeburgh's On Line**

Your **Weekly Beacon** is available on the website, together with the **latest edition of StHildeburgh's Dispatch** newsletter.

Important information from Merseyside Police is also available on <https://www.sthildeburgh.net/news.html>

*Sheila Saunders came across this boat in Parade Gardens:*



## **TIME TO PAY FOR PLANTS**

With the easing of lockdown, Peter Surridge is collecting money from the sale of the plants he raised in aid of St Hildeburgh's Guild flower fund for Easter, Harvest and Christmas displays.

The total due from the sale is £86. He asks purchasers to pay, if possible, by bank transfer to the account PH & JJ Surridge: sort code 40-25-08, account number 81179314. Otherwise, payment may be made in cash, either left in church "For the attention of Peter Surridge" or handed to Peter after the 10am service this Sunday, July 5, the date on which he aims to cash up and transfer the money to the Guild fund.

For late purchasers, there are four plants left for sale: a hot chilli pepper, variety Prairie Fire which makes a lovely medium-sized pot plant and produces numerous fruits (£1.75); two young houseplants of *Crassula ovata*, the jade plant or money tree (reduced to £1.95 each); and one young blackcurrant plant 10in tall (£1.95).

They are available from Peter by phone on 632-5507 or 07778-517759, or email on [peter.surridge@talktalk.net](mailto:peter.surridge@talktalk.net).

*Sent in by Ruth Calcott*

## **A TIMELY WORD**

**Me:** Hey God.

**God:** Hello.....

**Me:** I'm falling apart. Can you put me back together?

**God:** I would rather not.

**Me:** Why?

**God:** Because you aren't a puzzle.

**Me:** What about all of the pieces of my life that are falling down onto the ground?

**God:** Let them stay there for a while. They fell off for a reason. Take some time and decide if you need any of those pieces back.

**Me:** You don't understand! I'm breaking down!

**God:** No - you don't understand. You are breaking through. What you are feeling are just growing pains. You are shedding the things and the people in your life that are holding you back. You aren't falling apart. You are falling into place. Relax. Take some deep breaths and allow those things you don't need anymore to fall off you.

Quit holding onto the pieces that don't fit you anymore. Let them fall off. Let them go.

**Me:** Once I start doing that, what will be left of me?

**God:** Only the very best pieces of you.

**Me:** I'm scared of changing.

**God:** I keep telling you - YOU AREN'T CHANGING!! YOU ARE BECOMING!

**Me:** Becoming who?

**God:** Becoming who I created you to be! A person of light and love and charity and hope and courage and joy and mercy and grace and compassion. I made you for more than the shallow pieces you have decided to adorn yourself with that you cling to with such greed and fear. Let those things fall off of you. I love you! Don't change! ... Become! Become! Become who I made you to be. I'm going to keep telling you this until you remember it.

**Me:** There goes another piece.

**God:** Yep. Let it be.

**Me:** So ... I'm not broken?

**God:** Of course Not! - but you are breaking like the dawn. It's a new day. Become!!!

~Author Unknown

## FLOWER OF THE WEEK: LILY TENTH IN A SERIES

*Text and photographs by Peter Surridge.*

IF I had room for only one flower in a border or patio pot, I'd choose the lily. Curiously, lilies are often seen as exotic and expensive – and therefore difficult to grow – but many of the loveliest are hardy, free-flowering and more or less trouble-free. They range from towering giants to colourful little pot lilies and many are deliciously scented. The tallest is *Lilium giganteum*, which can reach a huge 3.3m (11ft) in ideal conditions and produce 20 or more trumpet-shaped, fragrant white blooms up each stem. At the other end of the scale are two 30cm (12in) delights for the rock garden or raised bed: *Lilium nanum*, with scented, purplish-pink bells, and *Lilium oxypetalum*, bearing bowl-shaped yellow blooms with purple spots in the throat.

Between those extremes are other wonderful choices including these easy growers...

- *Lilium regale*, the regal lily, a tall species reaching 1.5m (5ft) in fertile ground and bearing classical trumpet blooms with turned-back tips to the petals and a heavy fragrance. Some are smoky-red outside and all are white inside with golden anthers.
- *Lilium tigrum splendens*, the tiger lily, which has pale bronze flowers with darker speckles on 1.2m (4ft) stems.
- *Lilium auratum*, the golden-rayed lily, 1.7m-2.7m (5ft-8ft) tall with numerous sweetly-scented flowers 15cm (6in) or more wide, white with crimson or yellow spots. Some varieties are almost pure white while others are heavily spotted. These are lime-haters so, even on neutral soils plenty of leafmould is needed.
- *Lilium martagon*, the turk's cap lily, on which blooms vary from mauve to maroon on stems up to 1.9m (6ft). There is also a white form, *album*.
- *Lilium candidum*, the Madonna lily, which grows 90cm-1.5m (3ft-5ft) tall with white flowers. It should be planted in August, which oddly is its only dormant time.
- *Lilium* 'Cinnabar', a superb, long-lived, deep scarlet hybrid reaching 1m (over 3ft).



**Left:**  
**Dwarf pot lilies in red and gold.**



**Right:**  
***Lilium regale* – the regal lily**

The easiest way to grow lilies is from bulbs, best obtained from a specialist supplier. Make sure they are plump, firm and fungus-free when they arrive and be sure to plant at the depth recommended for the species or variety. The only real threat to successful cultivation is bad drainage. They like well-drained soil and full sun or light shade. For the best results with most varieties, plant as the soil starts to warm up in March. The bulbs will flower the same year and tolerate future winters in the ground, all the better if protected with a thick mulch. Lilies are also said to dislike being irrigated with cold water so purists fill their cans a day before watering.

## **'ANGUISHED YOUTH WHO BECAME A WISE LEADER' St Hildeburgh's windows: Thirteen in a series**

*Text by Peter Surridge; photograph by Nigel Hall.*

ST ANSELM of Canterbury, born into a wealthy family in what is now Italy in 1033, was attracted to a life of monastic study and, at the age of 15, wished to enter a monastery but was prevented from doing so by his father, causing him much anguish. He is thought to have suffered a psychosomatic illness as a result. On his recovery, he spent a carefree three years travelling in Europe with a single attendant. After his father's death he renounced his inheritance and entered Bec Abbey at the age of 27 as a novice Benedictine monk, becoming a prominent theologian and eventually being appointed abbot. Under his wise leadership, Bec became the foremost seat of learning in Europe. There he wrote his *Monologian* which set out proofs of the existence and nature of God and the origin of evil. In 1092, Anselm visited England, where he spent several months advising the Earl of Chester on the establishment of the new monastery of St Werburgh, now Chester Cathedral. (This link with Chester Diocese might be the reason he was chosen as a subject for a window at St Hildeburgh's.) At the time he was in England, the archdiocese of Canterbury had been kept vacant by King William Rufus for the sake of its revenues.



*St Anselm*

The king suddenly became ill, promised that in future he would govern according to the law, and appointed Anselm as Archbishop of Canterbury. However, the king soon reverted to his corrupt ways, so Anselm exiled himself to Rome for three years. He returned to Canterbury on William's death.

Anselm died in 1109 and, although he had been much loved and revered – and was one of the first to oppose the slave trade – he was never formally canonised. His feast day is April 21. The painted window of St Anselm at St Hildeburgh's is the farthest back on the right of the nave. It was given "in memory of Isabella Higgins" and installed around 1908.

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