Readings for Sunday 6 August 2023

8am Holy Communion Rom. 9. 1-5 Matt. 14. 13-21

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10am Holy Communion Rom. 9. 1-5 Matt. 14. 13-21

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No 6pm service today

Readings for Sunday 13 August 2023

8am Holy Communion Rom. 10. 5 – 15 Matt. 14. 22-33

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10am All Age Communion & Blessing Rom. 10. 5 – 15 Matt. 14. 22-33

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SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES RECOMMENCE ON SUNDAY 17 SEPTEMBER 2023

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Baptism

6 August 2023 at 10am Frankie Jude Ashworth

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News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 6 August 2023 The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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.

ST HILDEBURGH'S CHURCH HOLIDAY 2024

Revd Paul is thinking about arranging a Church holiday next year when we can all get together as a church family and enjoy some time away. The dates are **Monday 29 April 2024 to Friday 3 May.**

Various locations are being considered - if possible, a different venue than in previous years. During the stay optional Morning Prayer and Compline would be available but there would be no formal workshop type meetings as in past years. Transport would be sorted out nearer to the date. In the first instance we need to get some idea of numbers, so if you are interested, please contact Jill in the Church Office 0151 632 5339 or sthildeburgh.parish.office@gmail.com, or add your name to the list at the back of church.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED BY MONDAY 14 AUGUST 2023

CARE HOME SERVICE AND 'AFTERNOON TEA'

Last Monday Revd Paul hosted the first Care Home and Carers Thanksgiving Service in church since the Covid lockdowns.

Some 31 people came to share worship and went on to enjoy a delicious 'Afternoon Tea' - homemade fruit scones, cakes and lots of tea and coffee.



LAST SUNDAY AT ST HILDEBURGH'S

We all had a lively and enjoyable service of 'Family Praise' last Sunday. Besides the uplifting worship songs and prayers, it was delightful for us that Christine preached. Towards the end of the service, the silly birthday hats made an appearance! Happy birthday to both Vanessa and Brian.



ST HILDEBURGH'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023 TOMBOLA PRIZES

Although it may seem a bit early to be thinking about our Christmas Tree Festival, we will need prizes for our Tombola stall. If you have small new items which would be suitable for Tombola prizes, please give them to Liz Ardus or Sue Chapman. Please do not leave the items in church or in the church hall. Thank you.

50/50 CLUB DRAW

This month's 50/50 Club draw was won by Anne Kernighan with number 23. Anne wins £52.50. Congratulations!

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: ALSTROEMERIA. 153rd in a series

Text and photograph by Peter Surridge.

ALSTROEMERIAS are among the brightest of summer flowers with a colour range from white through shades of lilac, pink and red to yellow and orange, often with throats and markings of contrasting shades. The blooms are long-lasting and borne on firm stems – up to a metre (3ft) long – making them excellent for cutting.

There are scores of species, all from South America, giving rise to alstroemeria's common name of Peruvian lily, although many of the most popular kinds come from Chile. They are not fully hardy in Britain but are perennials and can generally withstand winters here on the coast if planted in well-drained soil and given a protective mulch in the severest weather. When the plants flourish, the tuberous roots can grow up to 60cm (2ft) across.

Some of the most impressive varieties are Ligtu Hybrids, crosses between *Alstroemeria ligtu* and *Alstroemeria haemantha*. One of the hybrids is pictured. Other fine forms include *Alstroemeria aurea*, with orange or yellow flowers streaked with red; *Alstroemeria* Ballerina, deep pink with purple stripes; Margaret (pictured), well over a metre tall; and Parigo Charm (pictured), 60cm (2ft) tall.

Alstroemerias are named for Clas Alströmer, a Swedish naturalist who travelled in the late 18th century collecting plants for Carl Linnaeus, who is famous for having devised the binomial (two-word) system of plant-naming – first the genus, such as Alstroemeria, then the species, such as ligtu. The adoption of this system worldwide saved endless confusion, enabling botanists and horticulturalists in different countries to understand each other.



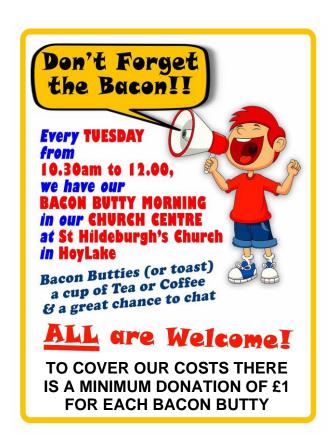
Above: An Alstroemeria ligtu hybrid.

Right: Alstroemeria Margaret.





Left: Alstroemeria Parigo Charm.



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email: safeguarding@sthildeburgh.org

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