

Readings for this Sunday 8 May

8am Holy Communion	Acts 9. 36-end John 10. 22-30 Lectionary pp 453-455
10am All Age Communion And Blessing	Acts 9. 36-end John 10. 22-30 Lectionary pp 453-455
6pm Open Worship	To be chosen

Readings for next Sunday 15 May

8am Holy Communion	Acts 11. 1-18 John 13. 31-35 Lectionary pp 455-456
10am Healing Eucharist	Acts 11. 1-18 John 13. 31-35 Lectionary pp 455-456
6pm Evensong	Dan. 6. (1-5) 6023 Mark 15. 46-16.8 Psalm 98

Parish Register

Funerals

12 May 2022 – Pauline Burgeland Pass
St Hildeburgh's at 12 noon followed by burial at Grange Cemetery

23 May 2022 – John Crockatt
St Hildeburgh's at 2pm followed by burial at Frankby Cemetery

Baptisms

22 May at 11.45am – Lily Lorraine Rose Hurley
22 May at 11.45am - Sophie Loraine Dommershuizen

Wedding

28 May 2022 at 1pm – James Geoffrey Michael Broadhead and
Rebecca Emma Gibson

Weekly Beacon



News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 8 May 2022

THE COLLECT

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life;
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

COMMUNITY SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCH RETURNS ON MONDAY 9 MAY AT 12 NOON

Our Community Soup and Sandwich Lunch returns after a two- year absence due to Covid lockdowns!

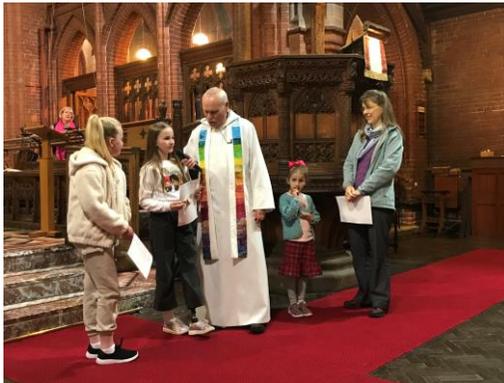
To celebrate our coming together again there will be a short service of thanksgiving in church followed by lunch in the Church Centre.

Come along and enjoy good food and fellowship as we celebrate the return of this much missed event in our church diary.

**Put the date in your diary
Monday 9 May
12noon in church followed by lunch at 12.30pm**

Payment is by donation and all are welcome.

LAST SUNDAY AT ST HILDEBURGH'S



Left: our Voyagers tell Revd Paul about the Gospel story and how they made paper fish to illustrate the fish that were caught in the nets by the disciples.

JUST TWO WEEKS UNTIL ST HILDEBURGH'S FLORAL FUND-RAISER!

With the easing of Covid restrictions, the popular annual coffee morning and sale held by St Hildeburgh's Guild will be staged again, for the first time for three years, in *just two weeks' time*. This is always a really cheerful and friendly occasion with a vibrant array of stalls – cakes, gifts, plants, raffle and many more. Proceeds help to pay for St Hildeburgh's floral displays at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. Please give donations, however large or small (or cash!), for the various stalls...

PLANTS AND GARDENS – plants of any kind: indoor or outdoor flowers, vegetables and herbs; tools, gardening books or equipment. Please notify Peter Surridge on 632-5507 or 07778-517759 if you have any donations and he will call and collect from you in advance. Peter will also be available to answer gardening queries.

Contributions for the following stalls may be brought to the Church Centre between 6pm-7pm on Friday, May 20.

HOMEMADE GOODIES – cakes, pies, jam, pickles and any homemade edibles. *TOILETRIES and UNWANTED GIFTS. ORNAMENTS and COLECTIBLES* – Decorative china and glass, curios, valuables and collectibles of any kind. *RAFFLE* – Consumables such as wine and chocolates as well as any attractive items suitable for prizes.

Admission to the coffee morning will cost £2, to include *unlimited* coffee or tea and biscuits, and the event will be...

...in the Church Centre on Saturday, May 21, from 10.30am-12noon.

PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THE DATE, COME ALONG, ENJOY YOURSELF

AND SPEND SOME MONEY!

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: TULIP **102nd in a series**

Text and photographs by Peter Surridge.

Tulips are among the world's most varied and spectacular flowers. There are more than 100 species and thousands of varieties in numerous shapes and virtually every colour except pure blue. For gardening purposes, they are classified in 15 groups, principally based on flower shape and season, such as 'single early', 'double late' and 'fringed.' Most popular kinds are grown in blocks for impact, either alone or mixed with spring bedding plants such as wallflowers or forget-me-nots. The tulip bulbs are lifted after flowering and replanted each autumn. But they do not like competition, generally demand more attention than other spring bulbs and are not suitable, like daffodils and crocuses, for planting as drifts in lawns or informal clumps between shrubs. Tulips' ideal position is in full sun, sheltered from wind and in fertile, well-drained soil. Species tulips such as the yellow star-like *Tulipa tarda* are smaller and less spectacular but can be naturalised.

It is thought tulips were cultivated in Turkey from around the year 1000, although they did not originate there but came from the steppes of western and central Asia. Certainly it was the Ottoman Turks who gave the flower its name, *tulband*, meaning turban (which was Latinised to *tulipa* in the 16th century). The graceful lily-flowered tulip became an emblem of the Turkish ruling house and was incorporated in the design of carpets, fabrics, tiles, ceramics, fountains and other decorated objects.

In the Netherlands, the financial hysteria called tulipomania reached its peak 100 years later when bulbs changed hands for thousands of pounds each. One record shows the payment for a single bulb as two loads of wheat, four loads of rye, four fat oxen, eight fat swine, 12 equally plump sheep, two hogsheads of wine, four barrels of beer, two barrels of butter, 1,000 pounds of cheese, a complete bed – and a wagon worth 500 guilders to cart it all away.

The Netherlands still leads the world in tulips. The world's most magnificent displays are staged every spring in the Keukenhof Gardens at Lisse, 32 hectares (nearly 80,000 acres) containing no fewer than seven million tulips, hyacinths, brilliant blue grape-hyacinths and other eye-catching blooms (pictured).



Above: Tulips and blue grape-hyacinths in Keukenhof Gardens.



Right: A brilliant blend of tulips at Keukenhof Gardens

Among the many striking modern varieties to grow in Britain – best planted in late October or November – are China Pink, a lily-flowered type with intense pink blooms; World's Favourite, which has huge flowers of brilliant tangerine with golden edging; Carnaval de Nice, with double, peony-like blooms, white flecked with crimson; Spring Green, ivory white with green feathering; Gavota, with pointed, outward-inclined petals of rich maroon, edged in cream; and Blue Parrot, frilly petals of mauve with hints of blue. Most kinds are fairly trouble-free though bulbs will rot in poorly-drained soil.

**Don't Forget
the Bacon!!**

**Every TUESDAY
from
10.30am to 12.00,
we have our
BACON BUTTY MORNING
in our CHURCH CENTRE
at St Hildeburgh's Church
in HoyLake**

**Bacon Butties (or toast)
a cup of Tea or Coffee
& a great chance to chat**

ALL are Welcome!

NO CHARGE (but donations welcome)

... see you on Tuesday?



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