# **Readings for Sunday 8 October 2023**

8am Holy Communion Philippians 3. 4b-14 Mt. 21. 33-46

Lectionary pp204-205

10am Holy Communion Philippians 3. 4b-14 Mt. 21. 33-46

Lectionary pp204-205

6pm Open Worship Readings to be chosen

# **Readings for Sunday 15 October 2023**

8am Holy Communion Philippians 4. 1-9 Mt. 22. 1-14

Lectionary pp 208-209

10am Holy Communion Philippians 4. 1-9 Mt. 22. 1-14

Lectionary pp 208-209

6pm Evensong 1 John 3. 1-15 Mark 10. 17-31

Psalm 139 (1-18)

## **PARISH REGISTER**

### **Baptisms**

15 October 2023 at 10am – Matilda May Evans and Ruby Elizabeth Verdin

# **Weekly Beacon**



News from St Hildeburgh's The Parish Church of Hoylake Sunday 8 October 2023 The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

# THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

### **NEWS ABOUT SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S**



### **MORNING PRAYER**

Revd Paul is reintroducing Morning Prayer each Tuesday and Thursday at 9.15am in the Lady Chapel starting on **Tuesday 10 October**.

### **PRAYER VIGIL AT ST HILDEBURGH'S**

Our Prayer Vigils continue on **Tuesday evenings from 6pm to 6.30pm**. Reflective music and prayer in an atmosphere of calm – an opportunity to take some time out of the busyness of the day.

# OPEN WORSHIP 8 OCTOBER AND EVERY SECOND SUNDAY AT 6PM IN THE CHURCH HALL

Music, singing, readings, discussions as well as tea and coffee all happen in our Church Hall **every second Sunday at 6pm**. If you haven't been to Open Worship why not give it a try - bring along a friend or neighbour. **There is a different topic to discuss each month** 

The music is provided by Rob and the evenings are led by our Ministry Team.

Come and join us – everyone is welcome.

### **CARE HOME SERVICE IN CHURCH**

On Monday 16 October at 2.15pm Revd Paul will conduct a short Service of Thanksgiving for care hone residents, their families and friends. The service will be followed by refreshments in the Church Hall.

All are welcome.

#### PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER (PSO) - PETER HAM

Peter Ham writes:

In the event of a safeguarding concern, you can contact him by phone: 07444884879 or by

email: safeguarding@sthildeburgh.org

If you hold a Safeguarding information card or leaflet, please alter the phone number of the PSO accordingly. Other contact phone numbers including those of the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor and the Local Authority Safeguarding numbers for children and adults, remain the same.

Please remember that safeguarding requires all of us to be vigilant.

# CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL ST HILDEBURGH'S STALLS



Jane Langley writes:

Could people please consider donating to both St Hildeburgh's Stalls. One stall will be homemade food products, cakes, biscuits, marmalade, chutney etc. The other will be gifts.

Please speak to either Kate Rice or Carron Jones before making/buying anything so that they can advise you beforehand.

Thank you.

Jane

## ST HILDEBURGH'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2023 TOMBOLA PRIZES

We also 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 items in church or the church hall.



Thank you.



# **FLOWER OF THE WEEK: HEBE.**

### 160th in a series.

### Text by Peter Surridge.

HEBES come in different sizes making them valuable for a range of situations in the garden such as the mixed border, the shrubbery and the rock garden. All are evergreen but the flowers of different species – there are nearly 100 species and many varieties – vary in colour with white, pink and various shades of blue and purple. Flowering can be in summer or autumn, depending on species.

Most come from the South Island of New Zealand, where I have been fortunate enough to see them growing in the wild below the snowline in the mountainous Hooker Valley (named for the botanist and explorer Joseph Hooker). Hebes like well-drained soil which is not too rich and most are fairly hardy as long as they are not grown in wet conditions.

Many, such as pink-flowered variety Great Orme (pictured) and purple-flowered Amy, grow to over a metre in height and breadth, while the smallest, including *Hebe pinguifolia* Pagei, with blue-green foliage and white flowers, reach only 30cm (12in) and spread to make good ground cover.

The flowers of many kinds are borne in spikes which may be semi-erect or pendulous. Gauntlettii (aka Eveline) is one of the most impressive of these with trailing pale purple racemes up to 15cm (6in) long. Other types have looser, longish clusters of blooms. *Hebe rakaiensis* (pictured) is one of these and is notable for being fully hardy. *Hebe macrantha* is unusual in producing groups of three large, white flowers, several groups to a stem.

Most species tend to have shapely long-oval leaves although some, known as "whipcord hebes," (one is pictured) have shorter, rounder leaves which, in many cases, lie flat against the stems. They are good for growing in rock gardens.



Left: Hebe Great Orme.

Below left: Hebe rakaiensis.

Below right: A whipcord hebe.





Generally hebes tolerate pollution and are good pot plants as long as the container is large enough for the type grown.

The name hebe is taken from the Greek *Hebe*, daughter of Zeus and "goddess of youth," but I prefer the Maori name *Titirangi* – "Hill reaching up to the sky" – which no doubt relates to the New Zealand mountains.

# Maxim Calver, cello &

Kumi Matsuo, piano

St Hildeburgh's Church 23 October 2023, 7:30PM





Beethoven, 12 Variations on the theme of 'Ein Mädchen oder Weibchen' from The Magic Flute, Op 66
Beethoven, Cello Sonata No 3 in A major, Op 69
Schumann, Fantasiestücke, Op 73
Mendelssohn, Cello Sonata No 2 in D major, Op 58

Tickets: £18, students £5, free for under 15

Hoylake Chamber Concert Society https://chamberconcert.co.uk/

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