

Readings for Sunday 9 July 2023

8am Holy Communion Rom. 7. 15-25a
 Matt. 11. 16-19, 25-30
 Lectionary pp161-162

10am All Age Communion Rom. 7. 15-25a
 And Blessing Matt. 11. 16-19, 25-30
 Lectionary pp161-162

NO EVENING SERVICE

Readings for Sunday 16 July 2023

8am Holy Communion Rom. 8. 1-11 Matt 13. 1-9, 18-23
 Lectionary pp165-166

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 Lectionary pp165-166

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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 9 July 2023
The Fifth Sunday after Trinity**

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.

SERVICES AT ST HILDEBURGH'S



Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall

In line with other churches, with immediate effect there will be no Sunday evening services during the holiday season. The changes only apply to Sunday Evening Services.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES CONTINUE AS USUAL:

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

WEDNESDAY MORNING SERVICES CONTINUE AS USUAL:

Holy Communion will still take place as usual in the Lady Chapel at 10am on Wednesdays.

Sunday Evening Services

Sunday Evening services will recommence with Evensong at 6pm on Sunday 17 September 2023.

LAST SUNDAY AT ST HILDEBURGH'S

Our youngsters at St Hildeburgh's had been busy last Sunday! They had been thinking about welcoming people and, at the end of our 10am service, they were keen to tell Rev Paul about this and show him the welcome poster they had made.



Photo courtesy of Nigel Hall

ST HILDEBURGH'S TOTS SUMMER PICNIC



St Hildeburgh's Tots group ended their meetings for the summer with a picnic in the Vicarage garden.

The sun shone and lots of cakes were enjoyed by all.

Photos courtesy of Peter Ham

BACON BUTTIES



The Bacon Butties frying pan is taking a well earned break over the summer. Bacon Butties will recommence on Tuesday 1 August

The Children's Society

Jane Langley would like to thank everyone who has a collection box for The Children's Society. St.Hildeburgh's have raised a fantastic £256.32 this year. These much needed funds have now been sent off and the empty boxes are at the back of church for collection ready for next year. If anybody would like to join us in our endeavours, please contact Jane on 07743090210 to be allocated a box.

Thank you all.
Jane

FLOWER OF THE WEEK: ESCALLONIA.

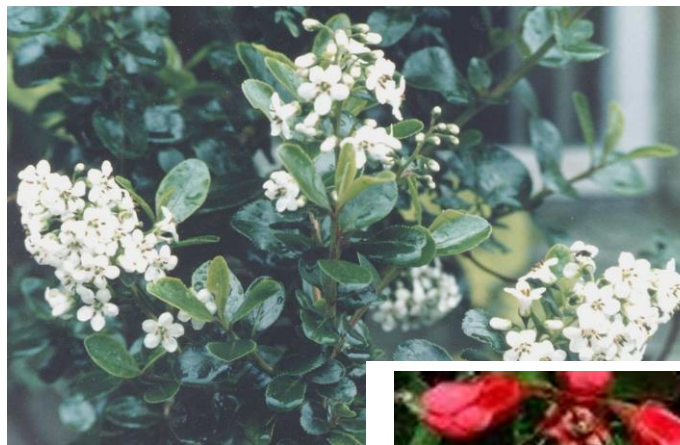
150th in a series.

Text and photographs by Peter Surridge.

Most *Weekly Beacon* readers live near the sea which can be a mixed blessing. The views may be fine but salt-laden gales do not suit all plants. However, the sturdy shrub *escallonia* endures salty breezes and poor or sandy soil, is untroubled by pests and diseases, and tolerates some shade. All of those qualities enable *escallonias* to serve as tough, dense, specimen shrubs or a quick-growing hedge for wind-protection, privacy or security. They have rich green, glossy foliage and then, in summer, prolific clusters of red, pink or white flowers, which are pleasant in themselves and attractive to bees and other pollinating insects. Most reach about 2.5m (8ft) in height and width but can be pruned lightly for shape and size after flowering. They will also grow back after hard pruning in late autumn.

There are many species of *escallonia*, all from South America, although the most popular garden varieties have been produced by plant breeders. Among the best are *Escallonia* C.F. Ball, which has bright red flowers; Donard Seedling (pictured), with white blooms showing pink tints; Red Elf, dark crimson flowers; and Red Hedger (pictured), which can be lightly trimmed two or three times a year to be maintained as a semi-formal hedge. Forms of *Escallonia rubra* are excellent, among them Crimson Spire.

Smaller types of *escallonia* include *Escallonia* Red Dream, 60cm (24in) tall, spreading 1m (3ft.3in), with deep pink flowers, and the crimson-flowered *Escallonia rubra* Woodside, 75cm (30in) tall and 1.5m (5ft) wide, but Woodside can try to revert to the species *rubra* from which it was developed so vigorous shoots emerging from the general shape of the shrub should be cut out. *Escallonia* Apple Blossom – with blooms of apple-blossom pink – is a beautiful variety but needs shelter from a south-facing wall as it is not fully hardy.



***Left: Escallonia
Donard Seedling.***

***Below:
Escallonia Red
Hedger.***



Escallonias are named after the Spanish-born plantsman and collector Antonio José Escallón y Flórez (1739-1819).

'Thank You Peter'

This week we celebrate the 150th Flower of the Week! A big 'Thank you' to Peter Surridge for this.

Golf is **O**pen To You!

in association with
Christians in Sport

You are invited to join in with a meeting to
explore:

***Making Faith & Sport
inclusive – Sharing the
lessons***

Date: Tuesday July 18th

Time: 10.45 am for 11am start

Venue: St Andrew's Church, West Kirby

Open To All and FREE!

For more information and to register your
interest, please contact Kate:
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