

# All Saints with St Frideswyde

*A church which welcomes you in Jesus' name, to grow and share in his love*

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**Sunday @ 10.30am** – Holy Communion – Peter Paine is presiding & preaching.

**Wednesday @10am** - Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion – Peter Paine is presiding and preaching.

**Ecumenical Prayer Thursday @ 9.45am** meets at St Helen's Church on 20<sup>th</sup> Jan followed by here at ASSF on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan.

## Latest News

-  **Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion** – This will continue at 10am on Wednesdays for the rest of January. The PCC will be discussing the pattern of services after that at its meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> January.
-  **Donations for Hannah Lewis** – Sadly Hannah Lewis has now come to the end of her time with us. Many of you were able to sign the 'thank you' card that we gave her and the PCC has made a gift. But if you would like to make a donation there will be a collecting box in the Hub for the next 10 days. We will then pass on to her this gift from the congregation.
-  **Thank you** for your lovely leaving gifts and card. The pictures are a great memory and I will thoroughly enjoy spending the gift voucher on my new house and remembering you all when I use whatever I buy - Hannah
-  **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** – There will be a service held on Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Jan at 7pm at St Luke's Church to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
-  **Burns Supper Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January** – Burns songs (with Time Ashore folk band) and poems, ode to the haggis, haggis neeps and tatties and sherry trifle – all for £10. Crosby Lions are going to join us for the occasion but we'll restrict numbers for Covid safety so book your place early to avoid disappointment. Booking list at back of church.
-  **Free Tickets** – Brian Bennett has 2 free tickets available for an RLPO concert on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm at the Philharmonic Hall. Programme includes Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto and Saint-Saens Organ Symphony. Please see Brian if you would like them.



✚ **Planned Giving Envelopes** – Pre-printed envelopes will be available at the back of church hopefully for this coming Sunday but, failing that, early next week. The dating will start from 2<sup>nd</sup> January. If you are not a taxpayer and your giving is not Gift-Aided please try to use these envelopes for cash each week so that we can claim tax back under the Small Donations Scheme (which only covers cash donations). If your giving is Gift-Aided it is very much easier by monthly standing order. Please talk to the Treasurer if you have any queries on all this.

✚ **Used Stamps for Embrace** - Please don't forget to save the stamps from your Christmas cards and deposit them in the collection box in the Narthex. They will be welcomed by Embrace for their partners in the Middle East.



✚ **Priority Food for Sefton Foodbank** – Following Christmas, most food stocks are OK but they are running short of **potatoes (tinned or instant mash) and tinned tomatoes**. Could you make these priority over other items which are always in demand - tinned goods (rice pudding, fruit, fish), instant coffee, UHT milk (1 litre) and long-life fruit juice.



✚ **RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch** - In 2021, more than one million people took part in Big Garden Birdwatch, all coming together to look out for birds. Why not join in and be one in a million for 2022? Big Garden Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you're a complete beginner or a birding expert. Simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 28<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> January. Sign up on their website [www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch](http://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch)

## Collect

Eternal Lord, our beginning and our end: bring us with the whole creation to your glory, hidden through past ages and made known in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Reading - 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to dumb idols. Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, 'Jesus be cursed,' and no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord,' except by the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.

Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

### **Gospel – John 2.1-11**

*Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

***Glory to you, O Lord.***

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.'

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.'

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

***Praise to you, O Christ***

**We continue to pray for**

Dave Rogers	Mark Isherwood	Phyllis Bell
Mark Wilson	Marian Palin	Judith & Frank Kelly
Barbara Maddock	Billy Harding	Dave Bruford
Don Wylie	Ken Rimmer	Donald Gallagher
Vicky Sutton	Ken Lawson	Julie Walker
Keith Spencer	Barbara Thomas	Mary Sutton
Hilary Plaistow	Jane Dunphy	Liz & Alan Lord

Please pray for the family & friends of Bob Jamieson who has recently passed away.

January 18th to 25th is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity so please continue to pray

locally.... give thanks for the churches of Crosby and Waterloo and for their ministry , and for the ways in which they work together in partnership. Please pray for Churches Together in Crosby and for their joint mission. Give thanks for our own church and for the many gifts we bring to the life of the parish and its worship. Pray for our ministry to the sick, the lonely, the bereaved, young families, the elderly and those on the bread line, through our organisations and through the special place our Hub occupies in the life of the local community. AMEN

globally.....as we recall that the Magi returned from Bethlehem to their home by a different way, pray for our churches in this changing world: Lord, help us to recognise and value the diversity of Christian witness across the world and to find new and creative ways to follow you and work for a just and peace loving world. AMEN

For the Middle East.....Give thanks for the courageous witness of the Christian churches and pray especially for the dwindling communities in the Holy Land. Opportunities for young people to make social and economic progress are limited and many leave to find a better life in other countries. With Embrace please pray for the resilience and unity of the region's remaining Christians who work for peace and justice with an impact beyond their small numbers. We pray for the work of Sabeel an ecumenical group of Christians in Jerusalem working to unite the Christian churches and give them courage to speak out for justice. AMEN

*A Prayer at Epiphany for Christian Unity*

*Help us this day O Lord to hear your words,  
to follow Christ's example ,and to live as his disciples.  
So, as we gather at the manger,  
heal our wounds, reconcile our divisions  
and hold us together in your love*