

All Saints with **St Frideswyde**

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

Sunday 19th Nov 2023

Sunday 19th Nov – Poppy will be leading & preaching at the 9am BCP service and at our Common Worship communion service at 10.30am.

Ecumenical Prayer Thursday @ 9.45am will meet on 23rd Nov at St Helen's church & on 30th Nov at Moor Lane Methodist.

Sunday 26th Nov (Christ the King) – Alan Brooks will be leading & preaching at our Common Worship communion service at 10.30am.

Latest News

-  **Hot Chocolate after school** – this will take place on Friday 24th Nov 3pm – 4.30pm. If you are able to help, please speak to Poppy.
-  **Singers Required** – we are looking for anyone who would be interested in singing at our events over the Christmas period; Carol Service 17th Dec, singing in the community 18th Dec, outside school 20th Dec & Beer & Carols 22nd Dec. If you can sing at one or all of these events, please speak to Ruth.
-  **Flower Rota 2024** - The new calendar is now available in the Narthex. You are invited to sign up to sponsor church flowers on a date of your choice. Sincere thanks go to all who have sponsored our flowers in the past.
-  **Brownies Christmas Fair** – This will be held on Sunday 10th Dec 11.30am - 1.30pm in the church hall after the Toy Service. Father Christmas will be present, food stalls, face painting, tombola, raffle, Santa's workshop and Christmas arts & crafts.
-  **Christmas Foodbank items** – if you are able, please donate any of the following items. Christmas biscuits, advent calendar, Christmas crackers (those you pull) and any of the usual tinned items, UHT milk, tea, coffee, toiletries.



📍 **Liverpool Cathedral from Darkness to Light - Sunday 26th Nov 5.30pm.**

Join us by 5.20pm on Sunday 26th Nov to enjoy the spectacular service that will mark the start of the Advent season. At the beginning of the service, the entire building is in total darkness. A Procession led by the Cathedral Choir will move through the darkened building, by candlelight, into the light of the coming Christ. When the procession finally reaches the east end and the Altar; the Cathedral will be illuminated. More information [here](#)

📍 **Liverpool Cathedral - The Light Before Christmas 1st - 8th Dec.** This year, award-winning artistic collaboration Luxmuralis are back with 'Light Before Christmas: The Manger', the second of The Light Before Christmas series. This beautiful, immersive experience will take visitors on an incredible journey through the Nativity story celebrating the true magic of Christmas.. Book tickets [here](#)



Collect

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 25.14-30

The parable of the bags of gold

'Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more."

'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"

'The man with two bags of gold also came. "Master," he said, "you entrusted me with two bags of gold: see, I have gained two more."

'His master replied, "Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!"

'Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. "Master," he said, "I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you."

'His master replied, "You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest."

"So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

We continue to pray for

Diana Meighen

Sid Ward

Mark Wilson

Barbara Maddock

Vicky Sutton

Keith Spencer

Sandra Cranny

Fardin

Mark Isherwood

Billy Harding

Barbara Thomas

Beryl Lorimer

Karen Delves-Hay

Liz & Alan Lord

Gordon Iverson

Angela

Phyllis Bell

Dave Bruford

Mary Sutton

Dave Rogers

Hilary Plaistow

Kath Hallowell

Daren Perry

A prayer for peace and justice from the Christians in Occupied Palestine

O God whilst we are overwhelmed by the ongoing suffering, we know that we must be courageous and act so that we may be witnesses to your kingdom. Lord, send your Holy Spirit to help us act for justice, mercy, liberation, and peace. When we are tempted or afraid, encourage us to walk faithfully and carry our own crosses. We hold on to our belief that faith as small as a mustard seed can move mountains. AMEN

Dates for your diary

Warm Space – every Thursday 3-5pm in the Hub

Brownies Christmas Fair – 10th Dec after morning service

Breakfast with Father Christmas – 16th Dec 9am & 10.30am

Folk Carol Evening – 16th Dec 7.30pm

Upcoming Services

Toy Service – 10th December 10.30am

Carol Service – 17th Dec 4pm

Christingle – 24th Dec 3pm

Christmas Communion – 24th Dec 8pm

Christmas Day – Family Communion 10am

Coffee, croissants & carols – Sun 31st Dec 10.30am



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