

PRESCOT PARISH NEWSLETTER



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SUNDAY 26 JULY 2020—SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

‘For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.’ Saint Paul

There is a short Eucharist today and each Sunday at 10am in St Mary’s.

Preacher

St Mary’s John Taylor

Reader

St Mary’s Ann Capewell

Intercessions

St Mary’s Val Sugden

Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

Old Testament	Genesis 29.15-28
Psalm	105.1-11,45b
New Testament	Romans 8.26-39
Gospel	Matthew 13.31-33, 44-52

For your prayers:

- ◆ Deaths: Albert Gough,
Eric Orme, Kenneth Dennett

Public Worship at St Mary's

From Sunday 26 July we plan to resume services of Holy Communion in the parish church, at the usual time of 10am. We are still in discussions about how we will ensure that numbers are limited (capping the total at sixty) and there will be strict practices in place, both in terms of current practices of social distancing/handwashing/cleaning, and also in regards to how we receive the Sacrament. There will be no singing and the liturgy will be reduced. Face masks will also be compulsory for all attending, including presiding clergy. Whilst we have taken every precaution and conducted thorough risk assessments, it is impossible to completely remove the risk of Covid-19—as is true of any setting. Therefore, whilst it would be really helpful if you could let those whom you speak to know of these plans and answer questions regarding safe practice, we do ask that you make it clear that it is down to each individual to calculate the risk of attending, and not to encourage them to come, as many will not feel ready/will fall into high risk categories. If you'd told me a year ago that I'd be sending an email which didn't actively encourage people to attend church, I would not have believed you! However, what matters most is the safety of God's children—made in His image and of infinite value to Him. *Kim*

THE SUNDAY EUCHARIST will be broadcast live to people at home, beginning shortly before 10am at [facebook.com/prescotparishchurch](https://www.facebook.com/prescotparishchurch). You will *not* need a Facebook account to watch. Please bear with us in the first few weeks, as the technology is new to us. You can also go to the parish Facebook page each night at 9.30pm for Compline, or Night Prayer.

ST MARY'S will be open for private prayer between 10am and 12 noon each Wednesday (drop in).

THANK YOU to everyone who has purchased garden planters and plants (and marmalade!) from the virtual garden stall and contributed to church funds. You have raised over £150 so far. All the made-up planters have now gone, so last minute orders are on a commission-only basis. You can contact me on 07561170114. PS The Traidcraft Stall is still operating for fairly traded and ethical goods. Build back better after Covid!

KNOWSLEY FOODBANK continues to need your donations of food. All imperishable foods and toiletries are welcome, but items especially needed right now are juice/squash, tinned potatoes, tinned fish, tinned desserts and tinned fruit. You can leave donations in the marked bin inside the

entrance to Tesco Extra Prescot. FoodBank itself is open in Prescot every Wednesday, from 12 noon to 2pm, at the Salvation Army on the corner of Ash Grove and Warrington Road. It is there to help *anyone* who is struggling financially and cannot buy essential groceries at the moment.

SHAREKNOWSLEY continues its excellent work supporting refugees locally. They especially need donations of men's toiletries at the moment. The drop-off point is St Aidan's Parish House, 92 Adswood Road, Huyton L36 7XR. Contact the Revd Kim if you have any queries.

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If you are struggling and need pastoral support or practical help, please contact someone:

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There is also a Knowsley Community Support and Volunteer Line open 9am-5pm Mon-Fri and 10am-2pm Sat-Sun on **0800 730 043**.

IT IS WITH GREAT SORROW
that we need to inform everyone of
the death of Eric Orme, who died
on Sunday 19 July.

Please remember Nora, John and
Elizabeth in your prayers.

