

PRESCOT PARISH NEWSLETTER



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SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2020—NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Preacher

St Mary's Revd Kim Mannings

Reader

St Mary's Geoffrey Appleton

Intercessions

St Mary's Dyane Basinger

Readings

Old Testament Genesis 37.1-4,
12-28

Psalms 105.1-6,16-22,45b*

New Testament Romans 10.5-15

Gospel Matthew 14.22-33

Collect

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy

and peace; 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

Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For your prayers:

- ◆ Deaths: Albert Gough,
Eric Orme, Ian Love,
Warren Glover

THE FUNERAL OF ERIC ORME is at 12 noon on Tuesday 11 August. Because of restrictions on numbers, it will be by invitation only. We will, however, be broadcasting live at [facebook.com/prescotparishchurch](https://www.facebook.com/prescotparishchurch), beginning shortly before 12 noon. You do not need a Facebook account to be able to view it.

THE FUNERAL OF WARREN GLOVER is at 12.30pm on Friday 14 August in St Mary's.

THE PARISH MAGAZINE is ready for collection. If you normally pick one up from church, please see Norine Jones.

AS NUMBERS AT THE SUNDAY EUCHARIST ARE LIMITED, from now on please phone Brenda Fay on 0151 428 3541 to book your place ahead of time. If on any Sunday all 60 places are taken, you will be given priority the next week.

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 11am each Wednesday (drop in).

A FREE PICNIC LUNCH takes place at Bryer Road Community Centre on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 10.30am to 12.30pm. It is organised by the Friends of Eaton Street Park.

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 Prescott. FoodBank itself is open in Prescott 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.

Public Worship at St Mary's

From Sunday 26 July we have resumed 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*

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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**.