

PRESCOT PARISH NEWSLETTER



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. SHARING THE LOVE & LIGHT OF CHRIST IN PRESCOT, THROUGH WORD & ACTION .

Sunday 6 August 2023—Ninth Sunday after Trinity

The 10am Sung Eucharist takes place at St Paul's, as St Mary's is closed for electrical works.



Preacher

Revd Karen Beck

Hymns

- 354 Jesus lives, thy terrors now
565 Praise, my soul, the King of
heaven
408 Lord, enthroned in heav'nly
splendour
252 Guide me, O Thou, great
Redeemer

Readings

- Old Testament Isaiah 55.1-5
New Testament Romans 9.1-5
Gospel Matthew 14.13-
21

Readers

Cliff Berry
Alan Williams

Intercessions

Ian Cooney

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:

- ♦ Departed: Keith Thomas

PSALM: Please join in with the sung response. It is sung three times at the beginning of the Psalm: The organist will play the response once, the choir will sing it for you to hear, and then everyone joins in the third time, then at the end of each verse.

Psalm 145

RESPONSE: I will bless you and praise you for ever, my God and King.

I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name for ever and ever. Every day I will bless you, and praise your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable. **R**

One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts. On the glorious

splendour of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate. **R**

The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness. They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness, and shall sing aloud of your righteousness. **R**

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made. **R**

NOTICES

THE SUNG EUCHARIST TODAY (6 AUGUST) takes place at St Paul's, while St Mary's is closed for the final stage of electrical work. There will be no Holy Communion this Wednesday, but our Sung Eucharist is back at St Mary's next Sunday (13 August) at 10am.

THE SERIOUS NONSENSE FESTIVAL takes place from Friday 11 to Sunday 13 August, during which time St Mary's will be open to visitors. As traffic management will be in place, and Church Street will be closed, *only Blue Badge holders* will be able to access parking directly outside the church entrance next week. It may be worth speaking to friends in advance about car-sharing.

ON SUNDAY 27 AUGUST an all-age service takes place in church at 10am, followed by an all-age teddy bears picnic in the walled garden. Please bring along a teddy bear/stuffed toy to this service, as well as a picnic-style lunch. There will be activities for children during the picnic afterwards, and chairs will be available for anyone who needs one.

WE CELEBRATE OUR PATRONAL FESTIVAL on Sunday 3 September with a Sung Eucharist for the Feast of St Mary the Blessed Virgin at 10am, followed by the usual celebratory lunch.

NOTICES YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

A MESSAGE FROM KIM: Huge congratulations to our own Dave Kernick who, it was announced on Sunday, has been recommended to train for ordination in the Church of England. We are so proud of, and delighted for, Dave as he follows with obedience this path which God has called him down.

THE CATHEDRAL JUNIOR CHOIR KNOWSLEY will take place every Tuesday, 4.30pm—6pm during term-time, beginning in September, and will join our Parish Choir for some key services throughout the year. While the children rehearse in church, we would love to be able to offer refreshments to parents as we did this Tuesday (thank you to those who served!) If you think you could commit to being on a rota one Tuesday per month to help to offer this form of hospitality, there is a sign-up sheet in the resource area of church.

MOTHERS' UNION has now broken up for the summer and will resume in September.

MAKE YOUR SUMMER EVEN BRIGHTER! There won't be a plant stall this year, but Ann Capewell does have some black bucket planters at £8 and can also fill your own pots with compost and plants. All proceeds go to parish funds. Please see Ann or give her a call on 07561170114.

GEOFF ALMOND has a Church Pass for Westminster Abbey in London. It allows free admission for up to four adults and children. Please ask Geoff if you wish to borrow it.

FOODBANK DONATIONS can be left in Prescot Tesco Extra, at the Big Help charity shop in the Prescot Centre, or at the Salvation Army on the corner of Warrington Road and Ash Grove.

THE PRAYER LIST for those who are sick is updated at the beginning of each month. See Norine if you'd like your name or that of a loved one to go on the next month's list, but please only add names to the list with the person's express permission.

YOU CAN GIVE REGULARLY TO THE PARISH OF PRESCOT by

joining the Parish Giving Scheme. Please see Keith, Norine or any of the churchwardens for more information, or visit prescotparish.org.uk and click 'Giving.' Your continued generosity is hugely appreciated, as your donations ensure the parish can meet the needs of the community in Prescott both now and in generations to come.

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DEDICATION

Remembering our special Georgina on her Heavenly Birthday.

All our love always—Jimmy, Ian, Elizabeth, James & Charlie