

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

4th – 9th May

Monday	Rector's day off and Parish Office closed (Bank Holiday)
	10am – 4pm Ashton Park May Fair
Tuesday	10am Holy Communion – Caldy Church followed by coffee / tea
	12 noon Enhancements and Buildings Group meets
	2pm Holy Communion at Caldy Manor
	2pm Home Group – 1, Pikes Hey Road
	3.30pm Toasty Tuesday in St Bridget's
	4.45pm Sing Aloud
	6pm Choir practice
	6.30pm School Governors meeting
	7pm Theology Discussion Group at the Ring O' Bells
	7.30pm Bell ringing practice
Wednesday	8am Holy Communion – Sisters of Jesus' Way, Abbey Road
	8.30am Morning Prayer – St Bridget
	8.30-11.30am Link café – Centre
	10am Knit & Natter, Craft and Chat group – Centre
	11.30am Holy Communion – St Bridget
	12 noon Ministry Team meeting
Thursday	9am Morning Prayer on Zoom
	9.30am-3.30pm Deanery Quiet Day at Foxhill
	10am Caldy Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
Friday	9am Morning Prayer livestreamed on Facebook
	10am St Bridget's Baby Group – Centre
Saturday	12 noon Service of Prayers of thanksgiving, blessing and for the needs of our community. Please join us at the back of St Bridget's church for half an hour of prayer.

CHORAL EVENSONG according to the Book of Common Prayer

This **Sunday 3rd May 6.30pm** in St Bridget's. A reflective end to the day and looking to the week ahead.



THEOLOGY DISCUSSION GROUP

We next meet this **Tuesday 5th May, 7pm** in the upper room at the Ring O' Bells, with the theme of Baptism. Anyone new is welcome to join us: if you e-mail David Chester (jg54@liverpool.ac.uk) he can send preliminary materials.



ST BRIDGET'S MOTHERS' UNION

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 12th May at 2 pm** when Rosie Earp who arranges *Away from it all Holidays* for MU Chester Diocese is coming to tell us about her work. Visitors are very welcome to come along. The Mothers' Union **Wave of Prayer** will take place on **Tuesday 19th May 1.30 – 2pm** in the Lady Chapel at St Bridget's.

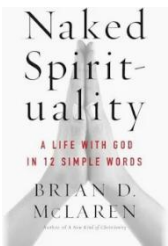


ELECTIONS TO PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Forms are available at the back of our churches for anyone wishing to stand for PCC. If you like to know what is going on and be part of decision-making then this could be the role for you! Please speak to the Rector if you would like to know more.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 17th MAY 11.30am in ST BRIDGET'S CENTRE

A chance for us to celebrate all that we shared and did together in 2025. Please come along and hear about the mission, ministry, strategy and vision of the parish which is the work of us all.



PARISH BOOK CLUB May 24th 5 – 6pm in the Beacon Room, St Bridget's Centre

This year's book! *Naked Spirituality* by Brian McLaren – A Life with God in Twelve Simple Words. The book is widely available both new and second hand, on Kindle and from the West Kirby Bookshop with 10% off.

BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY

The next *Bereavement Journey*®, a 7 session programme which assists bereaved people to process their loss, will be held at Riverway Church, Grange Road, West Kirby from June 17th for seven weeks, every Wednesday evening from 7-9pm. To register or find out more, phone 07718 646863 or 0151 625 2739 or email rectorwestkirby@gmail.com
Further dates are planned starting 17th September, 10am to 12.



THE MOUSE RAN UP THE CLOCK

Well not quite, but the Cumbrian Clock Company have been to take away the striking mechanism for repair. Thank you to everyone who made a donation and we look forward to the return of the hour being struck. In the meantime, the Westminster chimes will continue as a bit of a guide!



The Foodbank have recently created a list of non-food items, in response to a very successful initiative at one of the Wirral churches. The list is as follows: feminine hygiene pads, shampoo, shower gel, deodorant, tampons, nappies. *All* donations for the Foodbank can be left at the back of our churches or in the Parish Office at any time.

SUPPORT FOR REFUGEES IN HOYLAKE **Hoylake 4 All** and **Heart for Refugees** continue to support the men seeking refuge in Hoylake. When they arrive the vast majority come in only the clothes they are wearing, which are inadequate and do not include proper shoes, coats or even a change of underwear. The need for these items is immediate, intense, and arises while they are in Hoylake. You can donate to support them here: <https://aasztle.donorsupport.co/page/donate>

FAIR TRADE

There are some additions to the Fair Trade stall recently. These include a new range of greetings cards for birthdays and other occasions. At £1 each they represent good value and help support the work to make trade fairer for producers. Do have a look at the stall after the 10am Sunday service at St Bridget's or at the Link Café on Wednesdays.



CLAIRE HOUSE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

This is one of the charities we support as a church, and we had a visitor from Claire House at the Link on Wednesday. Her job is to raise awareness about the new hospice they would like to build in Liverpool. They've identified an old monastic building near Alder Hey Children's Hospital, where they'd like to offer the kind of service they have on the Wirral. There are booklets about Claire House on the table in the Centre.

FLORAL TRIBUTES IN CALDY CHURCH

Please contact Jenny Cooper on 625 9587 if you are interested in dedicating flowers at Caldy Church as an anniversary tribute to a loved one.



ASHTON PARK MAY FAIR

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May 10am – 4pm



Children's funfair, bouncy elephant, donkey rides, Viking re-enactment, model boating, stalls, hot and cold food and drinks, junior football, tennis coaching, performing arts. St Bridget's Church and the West Kirby Museum (with a display on 125 Years of Ashton Park) will be open.

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