

St Bridget's, West Kirby with Caldy Church

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

12th July 2026

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- 8am** **Holy Communion – St Bridget's**
10am **All Together Worship – St Bridget's (livestreamed)**
10am **Holy Communion – Caldy**
6.30pm **Evening Prayer – St Bridget's**



THIS SUNDAY – ALL TOGETHER WORSHIP 10am St Bridget's

We are celebrating next steps, new beginnings and new growth. If you know young people who will be starting school, college or work, moving to a new class or school, please invite them along.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 55.10-13 Romans 8.1-11 Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Lectionary readings next Sunday

Isaiah 44.6-8 Romans 8.12-25 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (12th – 18th July)

St Bridget: John Powell, John Leslie Taylor, John Millar, Norah Alice Milligan,
Beryl Meredith Jones, Marjorie Phyllis Smith, Ronald William Fairclough, June Kirkbride.

Caldy: Ellen Young, Jean Kerr, Thomas Howard Hooton, Keith Davidson, Gilly Cutts.

RIP: Marianne Ryan, Anton Wills-Eve.

FLOWERS on the Memorial Table at St Bridget's today have been given by Phil Price remembering his wife Pat.



Marianne Ryan's Requiem Mass – **Monday 13th July at 10.15am at St Agnes'**, with committal at Frankby Cemetery at 11.30am. **Marianne's wish was for people to wear bright colours rather than black.** Marianne played an active part in the ecumenical life of West Kirby and was a long serving member of Churches Together. The wake will be at Tanskey's.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

13th – 18th July

Monday		Rector's day off and Parish Office closed
Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldby Church followed by coffee / tea
	2pm	Mothers' Union – Centre
	2pm	School Y6 Leavers service – St Bridget
	4.45pm	Sing Aloud
	6pm	Choir practice
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Wednesday	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	Men's Shed lunch – Centre
	7pm	<i>Bereavement Journey</i> – Riverway Church, Grange Road
Thursday	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	10am	Caldy Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
Friday	9am	Morning Prayer livestreamed on Facebook
Saturday	9.30am – 12 noon	Churchyard Working Party at St Bridget's

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

There are lots of prayer cards at the back of each church with requests for children moving on from St Bridget's to secondary school. This year we have asked the children to write a little about themselves so it can help you to pray for them. The children will receive a card letting them know they are being prayed for.



CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY **Saturday 18th JULY** **9.30am – 12 noon**

Please bring gloves, secateurs, loppers etc. and help us keep the upper churchyard looking beautiful. A tribute to Bill Smith whose anniversary is the following day.

KEEPING CHURCHYARDS TIDY

A gentle reminder that items left on graves including pots need to be kept tidy and thrown or taken away when no longer needed. Please don't leave them for us to store.

Please note that the **service of prayers of thanksgiving & blessing**, typically held on the second Saturday of the month, will be incorporated into the wedding at St Bridget's on Saturday 11th July.

ST BRIDGET'S MOTHERS' UNION

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 14th July at 2pm** when Rod Tann will be giving an illustrated talk on *Wirral Matters*. Visitors are very welcome.



CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

We next meet on **Thursday 23rd July, 12 noon** at the back of St Bridget's church for an hour of quiet prayer. All welcome.

THANKS!

This is a very simple prayer – but a very important one! It's the next word for our 'Sort of Book Club'. **Don't forget to read chapters 6 & 7 of our book.** (We meet Sunday 26th July at 5pm)

SOCIAL JUSTICE – concern for Palestine and the Holy Land

Please read a pastoral letter from Anglican church leaders after their visit to the Holy Land.

Follow the link below to read the letter as published at the end of a five-day pilgrimage in the Holy Land undertaken by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem to meet and pray with Palestinian Christians across Palestine and Israel.

<https://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/55300>

ETHICAL MONEY MATTERS

A couple of years ago we changed our church banking to a more ethical bank (the Co-Op) and many members of the congregation switched to more ethical banking. West Kirby Methodist Church (Westbourne Road, West Kirby, CH48 4DQ) are hosting *Ethical Finances Exploration* to help us all consider how to act ethically with our finances to alleviate some of the injustice in how wealth is used and distributed in the world (and locally). The event will consist of short presentations, a keynote speaker from the *Just Money* organisation, a choice of short workshops, and a Q & A session. The whole event is scheduled to take 2 hours, starting at 10am on Saturday 1st August. Light refreshments will be served, all complimentary.

To book your place, click on the link below and reserve a space through EventBrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1993008581317?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Alternatively, email Noel at noelsharp@wirralmethodist.org.uk

SUMMER DROP IN CRAFT AND ACTIVITY SESSIONS FOR FAMILIES

Every Wednesday during the Summer Holidays 9.30 – 11am in the Beacon Room – refreshments available from the Link café. All ages welcome, children must be accompanied.

A LOT OF HOT AIR

Surely not a description of what is generated in the Parish Office – but with all the hot weather the parish administrator would really appreciate having an electric fan. If you have one stored away that you don't use, would you drop it into the office? The bigger the better! Thank you in advance.



PRAYER WALK IN LOWER CHURCHYARD

The DAC have approved our application to install a Cosmic prayer walk in the lower churchyard. The work on this began over a year ago and a local glassmaker has been working in conjunction with us and the school to create some beautiful designs. We are delighted that we have this approval and thanks to those who worked on the application.

HELP NEEDED TO DELIVER THE WEST KIRBY MESSENGER

Several roads need to be covered and particularly this month the current Messenger needs to be delivered to houses in Hydro Avenue and Mostyn Avenue. If you can help, please contact Margaret Campbell or leave a message at the Parish Office. Thank you.

ORCHESTRAL CONCERT Saturday 18th July 7.30pm Wallasey Town Hall

Last night at the Movies performed by the Wirral Symphony Orchestra. An exciting programme of well-known film music themes, ending with traditional *Last Night of the Proms* favourites. Tickets £16 (students £6) from West Kirby Bookshop, Rod Tann, the WSO website or 0770 200 5409.

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SAFEGUARDING

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If someone is in immediate danger or harm, call 999 and ask for the police