



***The United Benefice of Slyne with Hest St Luke  
and Halton St Wilfrid with Aughton St Saviour***  
**9<sup>th</sup> August 2026**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**



**Collect**

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us patience and courage never to lose hope, but always to bring our prayers before you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**1 Kings 19.9–18**

At that place he came to a cave and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, what are you doing here, Elijah? He answered, I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away. He said, go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by. Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, what are you doing here, Elijah? He answered, I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away. Then the Lord said to him, Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also, you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.

**Romans 10.5–15**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that the person who does these things will live by them. But the righteousness that comes from faith says, Do not say in your heart, Who will ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down) or Who will descend into the abyss? (that is, to bring Christ

up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, No one who believes in him will be put to shame. For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!

This is the word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

### **Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All:** Glory to you, O Lord.

### **Matthew 14.22–33**

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, It is a ghost! And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid. Peter answered him, Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water. He said, Come. So, Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, Lord, save me! Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, You of little faith, why did you doubt? When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, Truly you are the Son of God.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All:** Praise to you, O Christ.

### **Post Communion**

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **Please remember in your prayers:**

**St Luke's:** Pat, Julia, William, Michael, Moya, June, Karen, Chris, Hazel, Revd John Gordon (URC) Simon, Kate. R.I.P James Gwyn Davies.

**St Wilfrid's:** Katie Victoria, Marjorie, Margaret, George and Daphne, Ruby, Christine, Eileen, John, Mary. **St Saviour's:** Margaret (Karen's Mum). May they and all those unable to be with us, feel the healing power of Jesus.

**Village prayers.** This week we pray for those who live and work on Sunningdale Avenue; Sunningdale Crescent in Slyne with Hest, and High Road in Halton and the people of Aughton.

## **Notices**

### **Dates for your Diary:**

#### **• 23<sup>rd</sup> August – Revd. Susan's last Sunday – Pilgrimage and Party!**

Provisional outline of the day (Timings to be confirmed):

9 am - Breakfast and Morning Prayer at St Saviour's Aughton

Pilgrimage walk to Halton through the field paths

Noon - Picnic Lunch

Pilgrimage walk along the cycle path to St Wilfrid's for prayers.

Pilgrimage walk to Slyne with Hest along the river and canal.

5 pm – Family Service of Holy Communion at St Luke's

6 pm Revd. Susan's Goodbye party at the Church Hall Slyne

You are welcome to join in with as much of the day as you are able, but I hope you can all join me for the service and party at the end of the day to celebrate my 8 years as your Rector. More details on timings to follow.

#### **11-13<sup>th</sup> September – Parish Mission Weekends**

**St. Wilfrid's** - Heritage Weekend with tours up the tower, stalls, children's activities and refreshments.

##### **St. Luke's -**

- Friday night Chocolate bingo
- Saturday afternoon Youth Games
- Sunday Communion with a guest speaker
- 4pm a Pet Service with a buffet tea

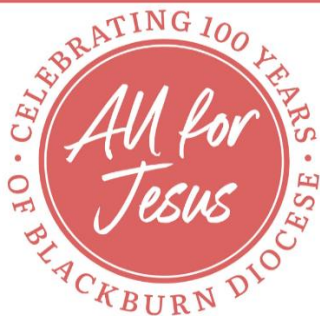
**St. Saviour's** Pilgrim Place. Further details to follow.

Please pray for the Mission weekends.

**Summer of Prayer** – Over the summer there are daily guides to prayer available on the Fruitful app.



| Calendar of services and events                                                        |          |                             |                   |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>9<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b><br><b>after Trinity</b>  | 8 am     | Holy Communion              | St Wilfrid's      |
|                                                                                        | 9.30 am  | Family Communion            | St Luke's         |
|                                                                                        | 10 am    | Family Worship              | St Wilfrid's      |
|                                                                                        | 11.30 am | Morning Prayer              | St Saviour's      |
|                                                                                        | 11.45 am | Baptism of Charlotte        | St Wilfrid's      |
|                                                                                        | 12.45 am | Wedding of John and Bethany | St Wilfrid's      |
| <b>Mon</b>                                                                             | 2 pm     | Knit and Natter             | Church Hall Slyne |
| <b>Tues</b>                                                                            | 9 am     | Morning Prayer              | St Wilfrid's      |
| <b>Weds</b>                                                                            | 9 am     | Morning Prayer              | St Luke's         |
| <b>Thur</b>                                                                            | 10.45 am | Community Coffee morning    | Church Hall Slyne |
|                                                                                        | 2 pm     | Body and Soul               | Church hall Slyne |
| <b>Sat</b>                                                                             | 11 am    | Baptism of Lwsi and Noa     | St Luke's         |
| <b>16<sup>th</sup> August</b><br><b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b><br><b>after Trinity</b> | 8 am     | Holy Communion              | St Luke's         |
|                                                                                        | 9.30 am  | Family Worship              | St Luke's         |
|                                                                                        | 10 am    | Family Communion            | St Wilfrid's      |
|                                                                                        | 1 pm     | Baptism of Willow           | St Luke's         |
|                                                                                        | 2.30 pm  | Baptism of Iyla             | St Luke's         |



Heavenly Father,  
in our Centenary year  
we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you.  
Send the Holy Spirit to give us  
confidence in our witness,  
generosity in our service,  
and love for our neighbours,  
that your Church may be renewed  
and many come home to you,  
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

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