

St Bridget's, West Kirby with Caldy Church

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

6th September 2026

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Merciful God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.



"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

8am	Holy Communion – St Bridget's
10am	Holy Communion – St Bridget's (livestreamed)
10am	Holy Communion – Caldy
6.30pm	<i>A Quiet Space</i> Prayers for Healing and Wholeness – St Bridget's

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

6.30 pm Sunday 6th September **A Quiet Space** when we offer prayers for healing and wholeness – for ourselves, for others or for situations in the world. All of us need healing in some way and this time of prayer can be one of the ways we let God's love into our lives. This reflective service is an opportunity to think, pray and receive and all are welcome.



LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Ezekiel 33.7-11	Romans 13.8-end	Matthew 18.15-20
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Lectionary readings next Sunday

Genesis 50.15-21	Romans 14.1-12	Matthew 18.21-35
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FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (6th – 12th September)

St Bridget: George Taylor, Margaret Carnie Tottey, William Andrew Hastings, Dorothy Grant, Barbara Mary Shepherd.

Caldy: Margaret Colman Harrison, Harold Anthony Wainwright, Kathleen Cass Chesham, John Sharpe Kennaugh, Olive May Crawford, Marguerita Elaine Ross.

RIP: William James Frederick Gollins.



Please join us after the 10am services today in St Bridget's Centre to celebrate **Robin and Jim's** 90th birthdays with cake and wine. Congratulations Robin and Jim!



WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

7th – 12th September

Monday		The Rector is on annual leave all this week
Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldy Church followed by coffee / tea
	2pm	Mothers' Union – Centre
	3.30pm	Toasty Tuesday in St Bridget's
	4.45pm	Sing Aloud
	7pm	Theology Discussion Group upstairs at the Ring O' Bells
	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
Thursday	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom - for the service download it here .
	10am	Caldy Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
Friday	10am	St Bridget's Baby Group – Centre
Saturday	10am-4pm	Wirral Heritage Open Day
		St Bridget's Church and Caldy Church both open
	12 noon	Prayers for the needs of the world, thanksgiving and blessing – St Bridget's in the Lady Chapel

WIRRAL HERITAGE OPEN DAY

Saturday 12th September



St Bridget's Church and Caldy Church will both be open 10am – 4pm. There will be examples of creative arts associated with the Church – calligraphy, flower arranging, and vestment embroidery. You may have the chance to go up the Tower. Tea, coffee and cake will be available in the Centre, and the Museum will be open too.

ST BRIDGET'S MOTHERS' UNION



This coming Tuesday, 8th September at 2pm Ruth Abbott, our curate, is coming to tell us about her *Life as a Curate*. This is an open meeting and members of the congregation are very welcome to join us.

MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Here's a hymn which some of you may not know and which we will be singing soon! [Freely freely](#)
Have a listen so that you will be able to join in joyfully – even some harmonies you could learn !

THE SEPTEMBER THEOLOGY GROUP – TUESDAY 8th SEPTEMBER

This meeting will have as its theme *End of Life and Assisted Dying*. If you are not a regular attender but would like to come to this session please could you let Dave Chester know as we may need to find a larger space.

SEASON OF CREATION

Each year from September 1 to October 4 the Christian family unites for a worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. This year, the theme is **Living Water**.

Look online at <https://anglicancommunion.org/campaign/season-of-creation> and <https://seasonofcreation.org/events> for details of events, or see our own September edition of *The Bridge* out now. St Bridget's Church will be flying a new Planet Earth flag.



PRAYER RETREAT

a message from Deborah Huthwaite

The Fellowship of Contemplative Prayer holds an annual retreat at the Community of the Resurrection, Mirfield, Yorkshire. The date this year is 14th to 17th September 2026.

Cost with full board £240. There is a place still available. I will be going (travelling by train) and wonder if anyone would like to come too. Speak to me at church or ring me for further details. My number is 07425138681.

NEXT CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

Saturday 19th September 9.30am – 12 noon. Save the date !



NEXT BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY



The next course will start on Thursday 17th September 10am - 12 noon at St Michael's Church, Frankby Road, Newton. To book a place please contact Paula in the office (0151 625 2739)

Our local Foodbank are planning their Harvest Appeal and ask us particularly for tinned meat, tinned potatoes, tinned fruit, toothpaste, shower gel, deodorant, coffee, pasta sauce, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, tinned veg (peas/carrots)



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

We would like to encourage every member of our church community to consider completing **Basic Awareness Training**. We all have a responsibility to listen carefully to one another, notice those who may be at risk of all kinds of harm and know what support is available. Please consider doing this online training accessed here and let Paula know when you have completed it. You will also receive a certificate. <https://www.chesterdiocese.org/content/book-safeguarding-training>

ANDY WARHOL INSPIRES HARVEST – BUT DON'T PANIC!

We will be celebrating Harvest and creation at St Bridget's on September 20th and at Caldy on September 27th. We will be asking for donations for the Foodbank but also invite you to add to decorating church by saving an empty food tin, keeping its label on, and creating an arrangement of flowers or putting in a plant or other creation-themed item.



Yamaha table top electronic keyboard going free to a good home. Phone 0151 625 2404 if you are interested.

Two free stalls tickets to The Archers Live at 75 at Liverpool Philharmonic Hall on September 28th available: contact Priscilla: pbenchcapon@gmail.com



PRESERVING OUR HERITAGE AND KEEPING MUSIC LIVE

Work will soon begin in St Bridget's to reinstall the refurbished organ. The first phase will be the cleaning of the wonderful pipes. There may be some disruption and at some point we will be without an organ. Huge thanks to everyone who has helped with fundraising and the reinstallation project, especially Ann Holden, Lynne Saunders and Stephen Claus and to all who donated.



We also need to have work done on Caldy organ and would like to form a small fundraising team. If you would be willing to be part of this, please speak to Joy 0151 625 8676.

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SAFEGUARDING

If you are concerned about someone's safety or wellbeing contact:

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