

St. Mary's, Waterloo Park

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6th September

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday and Weekday Service

Welcome!

The Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymns

714 The king is among us.

681 Such love

198 For the healing of the nations

152 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

First Reading, *Ezekiel 33.7-11*

So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, 'O wicked ones, you shall surely die', and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life. Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: 'Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?' Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God,

I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Second Reading, *Romans 13.8-end*

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gospel, *Matthew 18.15-20*

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Post 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.

Intercessions

The World: For peace in all areas of conflict in the world. For those affected by fires, floods and earthquakes. For emergency workers working in disaster areas. For refugees, asylum seekers and agencies that help them. For good stewardship of the earth and its resources.

The Church: The unity of all Christians everywhere. Archbishops Stephen and Sarah, Bishop Ruth, Bishop Simon, Archdeacon Pete. Churches in the South Sefton Deanery, and local ecumenical partners.

The Diocese: St Catharine Wigan, St Andrew Wigan, Christ Church Ince-in-Makerfield, Schools: St Catharine CE Primary, Ince Primary, Wigan St. Andrew, Castle Hill St Philip CE Primary, All Saints Hindley, St Peter Hindley, St John the Evangelist Hindley Green, St Nathaniel Platt Bridge, St John the Evangelist Abram & St James and St Elizabeth Bickershaw, Schools: Bickershaw CE Primary, Bryn St Peter CE Primary, St Mary CE Primary, St. Philip, Hindley All Saints Primary, St. John CE Primary, St David Haigh and Aspull, St John the Baptist New Springs, St Stephen Whelley, St Elizabeth Aspull, Schools: Canon Sharples, Aspull Church Anglican/Methodist, St David Haigh & Aspull CE Primary, St Luke Orrell & St Francis of Assisi Kitt Green, St Barnabas Marsh Green, St John Pemberton, Hindley Green St John CE Primary School, St Peter Bryn, St Aidan Billinge, Holy Trinity Ashton-in-Makerfield and St Thomas Ashton-in-Makerfield, Schools: St Thomas Ashton, St. Peter CE Primary, Rectory CE Primary, St Aidan CE Primary, All Saints Wigan, St George Wigan, Good Shepherd Bamfurlong, St Mark Newtown & St Michael and All Angels Wigan, Schools: The Deanery High School & Sixth Form College, St Mark CE Primary.

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit: Hewie, Graham Forrest, Olga Gregor, Jess Farrell, Edith Keeton, Joy Billington, Revd. Gregor Cuff.

The recently departed: Ron Kynaston.

For the departed remembered at this time: Amy Coakes, Gordon Shearer, Jessie Shearer, Irene Taylor, Harold Cox, James Leach, Joseph Rogan.

Notices

- **Tuesday Club:** Tuesday 8th September 2026 at 2:30pm, St. Mary's Meeting Room - Opening Meeting.
- **Cultivate:** We warmly welcome you to one of the following six-week Cultivate courses:-
 - Mondays 7pm -9pm, starting on 5th October at St Nicholas, Blundellsands
 - Thursdays 1pm – 3pm, starting on 8th October at St John & St James, Bootle

Services at St Mary’s	
This Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	Janet Bissex
Monday-Thursday, 4.30pm Evening Prayer	
Wednesday, 10:30am Eucharist	Peter Walker
Next Sunday 10:00am, Eucharist Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	Louis Johnson Iona Morphet

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