

St Bridget's, West Kirby with Caldy Church

The Last Sunday after Trinity

26th October 2025

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- 8am Holy Communion – St Bridget's
10am Holy Communion – St Bridget's (livestreamed)
10am Holy Communion – Caldy
6.30pm Compline – St Bridget's

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Jeremiah 14.7-10, 19-22 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 Luke 18.9-14

Lectionary readings next Sunday

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18 Ephesians 1.11-23 Luke 6.20-31

FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (26th October – 1st November)

St Bridget: Margaret Ellen (Nell) Basnett, Elizabeth Mary Dodd, Eric Carl Mates, Albert Lilley, Dorothy Johnson, Anne Patricia Eccles, Mark Anthony Mitchell, Vivien Margaret Davies, Harry Preston, Elizabeth Ellen Johnson-Jones, Donald Martin Ferriday, Benjamin Tottey.

Caldy: Evelyn Violet Roberts, Patricia Audrey Bartram.

RIP: Ethel Eva Shakeshaft.

Flowers on the Memorial Table at St Bridget's have been given today by Rosie Griffiths, in memory of a wonderful mother.



WHAT'S ON this week

27th October – 1st November

Monday		Rector's day off
Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldy Church followed by coffee / tea
	6pm	Adult choir practice
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Wednesday	8.30am	Morning Prayer – St Bridget
	9.30 – 11.30am	Link café – Centre
	10am	Knit & Natter, Craft and Chat group – Centre
	11.30am	Holy Communion – St Bridget
	5pm	Prayer and reflection – St Bridget
Thursday	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
Friday	9am	Morning Prayer livestreamed on Facebook
	1.30pm	Bridge Drive in the Centre
Saturday	9.30am	Diocesan Synod – St Michael's Coppenhall

SUNDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

UNITED PARISH SERVICE AT CALDY TO CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS DAY

Please come to Caldy for our service of Holy Communion at 10am. Our combined choirs will be leading the worship. There will be a 10am Service of the Word at St Bridget's.



TIME TO REMEMBER – Sunday 2nd November in St Bridget's at 6.30pm



All are welcome to this special service in St Bridget's church when we remember those we love who have died. The names of any from the parish whose funerals or memorials have taken place this year will be read out. If you attend the service, you will also be able to add names to a list for inclusion. *The service will be livestreamed.*

REAL ADVENT CALENDARS

The Real Advent Calendar is the only one with Fairtrade chocolate, a copy of the Christmas story and which helps projects providing care and support for mums and new babies in African villages. It is a great way to put Christ back into the hearts of those who no longer know the Christmas story so well.



The calendars are not on sale in supermarkets but are available from the Fair Trade stall in St Bridget's Centre on Sunday after the main morning services, and on Wednesday at the Link Café.

HEARING AID RECYCLING

If you have old hearing aids to recycle, there are numerous funeral directors etc. that provide collection points, the nearest being Quinns, West Kirby.

Please follow this link: <https://hearingaidrecycling.co.uk/a-to-z-list/merseyside>



ENGAGEMENT RING? A message from the Foodbank:



We have found an engagement ring inside one of the crates at the foodbank warehouse. We are wondering if anyone may have lost one when packing the crates for us?

ART FOR THE SOUL

Would you be interested in coming to a creative workshop with an Advent theme? Local artist Alice Price is available to lead an afternoon workshop at St Bridget's Centre with a mix of art, creativity and spirituality. We have chosen Sunday 30th November 1 – 4pm at a cost of £12 per person including all materials and refreshments. Please let Paula know asap if you would like to come. We need 15 participants to make this wonderful opportunity viable.



SUPPORTING REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

The men living in Hoylake have just over £9 a week to live on. They cannot afford to pay for public transport and providing them with bikes could be a great help to their health and well being. Hoylake4all is asking for back packs, hats, cycle helmets or locks – and of course bikes. If you can donate any items please bring them to St Bridget's and leave them in the container in one of the porches (not bikes – please let the Rector know if you have a spare one of those) and we will look out for them and collect them. Thank you.

If you have questions about the support of these men, some may be answered by [this article](#).

Thank you to those who responded about forming a group for prayer, reflection and support. Our first gathering will be at **5pm in St Bridget's on Wednesday 29th October** for half an hour.

All welcome.



SOMETHING MORE Saturday 8th November 10am – 12 noon

St. Bridget's Centre This will be an informal session, aimed at those who want to explore the basics of the Christian faith and consider how being a Christian can change lives. Coffee, cake and conversation! Plenty of

opportunity to ask questions, chat in small groups or simply listen. Please do consider inviting friends, family or neighbours. If you would like to come, please give your name to Paula in the office: email office@stbridgets.org.uk or tel. 0151 625 2739.

CAN YOU HELP FRED?

As part of Fred's ordination training MA, he has to complete a research project on his placement parish, which is us! Fred is interested in how much church goers in a modern parish are aware of, understand, and agree with the content of the Nicene Creed and how you see its role in our own faith and in the life and worship of the Church. Fred has designed a questionnaire and hopes to get as many people as possible filling it in.

It's not a test and you really don't need to know anything about the Creed. All responses will be anonymous and whatever the data it will be interesting and useful.

If you're willing to help, please pick up a questionnaire from the back of church (both St. Bridgets and Caldys), complete it along with the consent form, and return it to the labelled boxes by Sunday 23 November. Don't let the size of the bundle put you off: there are only 18 multiple-choice tick-box questions so it should be a quick and painless process.

BRIDGE AFTERNOON Friday 31st October, 1 for 1.30pm St Bridget's Centre

Encourage bridge-playing friends to come ! Refreshments and prizes.

£20 per table, pay on arrival – please phone Audrey Briggs on 07486 918169 to book.



KNIFE SHARPENING

Peter Walker offers to sharpen our knives in time for Christmas, and will have his machine at The Link on Wednesdays 12, 19, 26 November and 3

December. To put it bluntly, this is cutting edge stuff.

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