

St Bridget's, West Kirby with Caldy Church

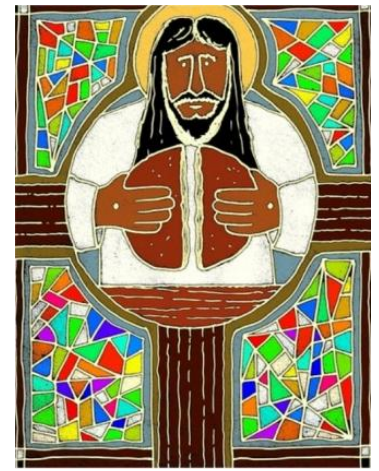


19th April 2026

The Third Sunday of Easter

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.



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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Acts 2.14a, 36-41

1 Peter 1.17-23

Luke 24.13-35

Lectionary readings next Sunday

Acts 2.42-end

1 Peter 2.19-end

John 10.1-10

FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (19th – 25th April)

St Bridget: Ella Kathleen Barker, Annie Hewitson Sanders, Allan (Micky) Broderick, William Denis Heenan, Leslie Harold Jenkins, Doris Emerson, Richard Paul Ivey, Muriel Taylor, John Arthur Ellis.

Caldy: Nancy Mary Corlett, Arthur Forwood Bower, Mildred Eileen Roberts, George Weston, Suzanne Nora Bailes, Richard Paul Ivey, Helen McPherson Schofield.

RIP: Joyce Chaderton.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK **20th – 25th April**

The Rector is away from the parish on retreat at St Beuno's for a week from Tuesday

The Parish Office is closed on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week

Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldly Church followed by coffee / tea
	2pm	Home Group – 1 Pikes Hey Road
	3.30pm	Toasty Tuesday in St Bridget's
	4.45pm	Sing Aloud
	6pm	Choir practice
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Wednesday	<i>Parish Office closed</i>	
	8.30am	Morning Prayer – St Bridget
	8.30 – 11.30am	Link café – Centre
	10am	Knit & Natter, Craft and Chat group – Centre
Thursday	11.30am	Holy Communion – St Bridget
	<i>Parish Office closed</i>	
	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
	10am	Caldly Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
	12 noon	Burial of ashes (Robert Edwin Jones RIP) – Grange cemetery
Friday	<i>Parish Office closed</i>	
	10am	St Bridget's Baby Group – Centre



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

Please bring secateurs, hand forks, a kneeler and loppers if you have them. Amongst other jobs we will continue to clear brambles and ivy from graves and wild leek which has self-seeded.

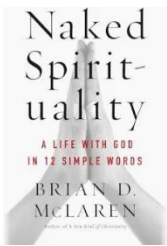


TICK TOCK Thank you to everyone who has contributed: we almost have enough funds for the necessary repairs. If you would be willing to help us reach the target then please use this link <https://givealittle.co/c/StBClock> or make a donation in the usual way including putting your donation in an envelope marked *church clock* and popping it into the office. Thank you.

ELECTORAL ROLL Pick up a form or download one here (Form 1) :

<https://parishresources.org.uk/the-pcc-as-a-charity/apcms-and-electoral-roll/>

New entries can be made up to 2nd May when the Roll will close, before the APCM on 17th May.

**PARISH BOOK CLUB May 24th 5 – 6pm the Beacon Room, St Bridget's Centre**

This year's book! *Naked Spirituality* by Brian McLaren – A Life with God in Twelve Simple Words. We know how busy life can be and how for some the thought of reading a book in a month is overwhelming! So we invite you to read one chapter a month. Each chapter has a word – and even if all you read is that word you can come along and listen or share your thoughts. First word... **'Here'** The book is widely available both new and second hand, on Kindle and from the West Kirby Bookshop with 10% off.

VOLUNTEERS AND SAFEGUARDING

Thank you to everyone who has returned forms and completed training. It is very important that we safely recruit and support all our volunteers. Thank you for your help with this.

HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT AND YOUR OWN HEALTHwww.theseepcompany.com

SEEP kitchen sponges are durable, fully compostable environmentally friendly sponges which can be washed in your dishwasher. They are not only good for the environment but also for your own health. The familiar green and yellow scourers are breeding grounds for bacteria, shed microplastics, and are environmentally unsustainable. Despite their popularity, these synthetic sponges can apparently harbour more bacteria than a toilet seat and contribute to both water pollution and landfill waste. Give SEEP sponges a try and care for the planet and yourself.

**ELECTIONS TO PCC**

Would you be willing to be part of our Parish Church Council? Each year we elect people to serve on the PCC for 3 years. If you would be interested in standing please speak to the Rector or one of the churchwardens. At its most recent meeting the PCC discussed funding of significant projects and how we prioritise where our energy and money are focussed to further the mission and ministry of the parish.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 17th MAY 11.30am in ST BRIDGET'S CENTRE

A chance for us to celebrate all that we shared and did together in 2025. Please come along and hear about the mission, ministry, strategy and vision of the parish which is the work of us all.

FIRST OF THE MONTH SERVICES

Our pattern of doing something slightly different on the first Sunday evening of the month brings us Choral Evensong according to the Book of Common Prayer at St Bridget's on May 3rd at 6.30pm.

CONCERT

The Wirral Symphony Orchestra (formerly St Bridget's Orchestra) with EVR Choir from Le Havre and the St Peter's Singers will perform Verdi's *Requiem* at the **Liverpool Philharmonic Hall** on the afternoon of **Sunday 3rd May**, starting at **2pm**.



Rod Tann writes – we would be especially grateful if you could support us in what is a very exciting (and very expensive!) venture for us. The French choir members have come over especially for this one performance, so we are particularly keen to see they have a good audience. Tickets (£22) are available only from the Phil Box Office 0151 709 3789 or via its website. Many thanks.

ASHTON PARK MAY FAIR

Monday 4th May 10am – 4pm



Children's funfair, bouncy elephant, donkey rides, Viking re-enactment, model boating, stalls, hot and cold food and drinks, junior football, tennis coaching, performing arts. St Bridget's Church and the West Kirby Museum (with a display on 125 Years of Ashton Park) will be open.



ARE YOU READY FOR SUMMER? the Summer Fair is on Saturday 4th July

If you would be willing to help with the planning and organisation of the Summer Fair please tell Andrew Gibb or Paula in the office.

Please continue to leave donations for the Foodbank, at the back of our churches or in the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.



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