

St Bridget's, West Kirby with Caldy Church

Trinity Sunday

31st May 2026

Trinity Sunday is a Christian feast day that celebrates the core doctrine of the Trinity: one God who exists in three distinct persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Observed on the first Sunday after Pentecost, it is a major Christian festival.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever.

LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end 2 Corinthians 13.11-end Matthew 28.16-20

Lectionary readings next Sunday

Hosea 5.15-6.6 Romans 4.13-end Matthew 9.9-13, 18-26

FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (31st May – 6th June)

St Bridget: Kenneth Ravenscroft, William (Will) John Roberts, Doreen Littler, Dorothy Wall, Marina Steele, Hazel Joy Taylor, Maud Carr, William Edwards, Peter Crispin Howarth.

Caldy: Joan Tremearne Arthur, Hany Roshdy Kalil, Bunty Bertenshaw, Robert Jackson McGown, James Goodwin McCulloch, John Herbert Thomas, Anna Fabienne Frichot, Robert Charles Town, Frank Thomas Herbert Fletcher, Dorothy Elizabeth Pickering, Joan Lilian Alice Williams.



FLOWERS ON THE MEMORIAL TABLE at St Bridget's today have been given by Sue Shaw in memory of her parents Harold and Kay Shaw.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

1st – 6th June

The Rector is on annual leave from Friday 29th May until Friday 12th June. Thank you to all those who are doing extra duties during her time away.

Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldy Church followed by coffee / tea
	2pm	Holy Communion at Caldy Manor
	2pm	Home Group – 1, Pikes Hey Road
	4.45pm	Sing Aloud
	7pm	Theology Discussion Group 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
	10am	Caldy Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
Friday	10am	St Bridget's Baby Group – Centre

THEOLOGY DISCUSSION GROUP

We next meet this **Tuesday 2nd June at 7pm** when we will be discussing the Psalms. The meeting as usual will take place in the 'upper room' at the Ring O' Bells **and all are welcome**. If you e-mail David Chester (jg54@liverpool.ac.uk) he can send preliminary materials.



Worship for 'First Sunday' evening: **Sunday 7 June at 6.30pm**

You are warmly invited to join us for this peaceful, meditative service of Evening Prayer using liturgy from the Iona Community. During our worship John and Margaret Smith will share their thoughts on what membership of the Iona Community means to them. We look forward to welcoming you. Mary & Graham

ST. BRIDGET'S MOTHERS' UNION

We meet on **Tuesday 9th June** for our BRING AND SHARE LUNCH. **Please note the start time of 1pm**. Drinks will be provided. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings.



CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

The first of these sessions was held on Wednesday last week and we were guided in a time of prayer. It was a wonderful oasis in the midst of a warm and busy week. Thanks to Deborah Huthwaite for initiating something which will be a blessing to us as a parish.

ARCHDEACON'S INSPECTION

On Friday 15th May the Archdeacon of Chester, the Ven. Dr. Michael Gilbertson, came to inspect the parish (a bit like an Ofsted for churches). He was looked after by our churchwardens Ann Holden and Anna Gibson and we passed with flying colours. Here is an excerpt from his comments: 'The list of activities is amazing ... attendances are rising and the congregation is growing in diversity. Connections with the school are great ...the parish is clearly thriving and it was good to hear about it all.'

Well done to all of you and thanks for all you do to make the above true.

THROUGHOUT JUNE the **rainbow flag** will again fly proudly from the church tower to emphasise welcome and inclusivity to all, and following Jesus' command to 'love one another as I have loved you.' No one is excluded from the love of God. To further explore the significance of the flag, follow the link below, which was also shared last June.



<https://media.acny.uk/media/venues/page/attachment/2025/06/0e599f16-06d0-4cab-949a-44ce2b3e7fb8.pdf>



ECO CHURCH

Love your churchyard week is from June 7th to June 14th. Part of this is the Churches Count on Nature, an annual scheme where people visit churchyards and record the plant and animal species they encounter.

This year, we will meet on Monday 8th June, at 2pm in the Lower Churchyard, to see what we can find! If you can, please bring a Mobile phone with camera. All are welcome!

To find out more about what churches can do, or have been doing, follow this link to the A Rocha website <https://arocha.org.uk/>

RUTH'S ORDINATION – YOU ARE INVITED

Everyone is invited to attend Ruth's ordination on **Saturday 20th June at 4pm in St Bridget's**. Please come and support Ruth and hold her in your prayers during the next few weeks.

On **Sunday 21st June** Ruth will preside at Holy Communion in St Bridget's for the first time. We will mark this occasion with a joint parish service, followed by a Bring and Share lunch. Please come along, bring and share!

The next **BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY®** will be held at Riverway Church, Grange Road, West Kirby from June 17th for seven weeks, every Wednesday evening from 7-9pm. To register or find out more, phone 07718 646863 or 0151 625 2739 or email rectorwestkirby@gmail.com

We need 2 or 3 volunteers to welcome people and make a cup of tea at the beginning and half way through a session: please tell Ray Samuels, the Rector or Paula in the office if you can help.



ST BRIDGET'S SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 4th July

We will be asking for pairs of hands on the day but before then we could REALLY do with people to sell Raffle Tickets. There is a sign-up list at the back of St. Bridget's for anyone to put their name down to help with selling tickets – thank you. No White Elephant stall this year, but we welcome donations of pre-loved designer/high-end clothes and accessories (for both children and adults), and paperback books. Thank you in advance.

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Are you interested in being baptised or confirmed? We have the opportunity to invite one of our Bishops to a service for confirmation (and baptism). If interested, please speak to the Rector.

FAIRTRADE



We are a Fairtrade parish and have items available to buy from Margaret Smith's stall on a Wednesday and Sunday morning. Please try and buy Fairtrade goods whenever you can. If you host activities in St Bridget's Centre please also use Fairtrade tea, coffee etc. whenever possible.

ART FOR THE CHURCHYARD We are hoping to complete planning soon for a meditative prayer walk in the lower churchyard, with some artistic fixtures depicting the story of creation. Craftsmanship by the Lazy Woodpeckers' outdoor glass art, inspired by designs created by children of St Bridget's School. We have one example 'practice' fixture in St Bridget's Church.

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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