St Bridget's, West Kirby
with Caldy Church

Sunday 1st November 2026

Caldy Patronal Festival – All Saints' Day



TODAY the whole parish celebrates **ALL SAINTS' DAY** with a **united Parish Communion service at CALDY – The Church of the Resurrection and All Saints – at 10am.** Bishop Mark will be leading our worship at Caldy and we encourage everyone to come along and join our celebrations. There will be a short Service of The Word at 10am at St Bridget's for any unable to attend Caldy.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK Holy God, across the years we hear your saints, we see their faith and hear their words as they proclaim your love; show us how to live like them, with hearts of joy and words of hope, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

8am	**Holy Communion – St Bridget**
10am	**UNITED PARISH COMMUNION at CALDY**
10am	**Service of the Word – St Bridget**
6.30pm	***TIME TO REMEMBER* – St Bridget**



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS THIS SUNDAY

Revelation 7.9-end	1 John 3.1-3	Matthew 5.1-12

Lectionary readings next Sunday

Isaiah 10.33-11.9	Revelation 21.1-7	John 15.9-17

TIME TO REMEMBER – this evening 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. We hope that the service will be livestreamed.

FROM OUR BOOKS OF REMEMBRANCE (1st – 7th November)

St Bridget: Albert Lilley, Benjamin Tottey, Robert Haig Douglas, Harold Exley Shaw, Florence Pritchard, baby Isabelle Lara Mackay, David Christian, John McKeand Couper.

Caldy: Ronald Morford Gravett, Audrey Bland Jones, Robert John Daniel-Jones, William Knox.

RIP: Raymond Jack Moore.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK **2nd – 7th November**

Monday		Rector's day off
Tuesday	10am	Holy Communion – Caldy Church followed by coffee / tea
	2pm	Holy Communion at Caldy Manor
	2pm	Rossinière Home Group – Pikes Hey Road
	3.30pm	Toasty Tuesday in St Bridget's
	4.45pm	Sing Aloud
	6pm	Choir practice
	7.15pm	Theology Discussion Group – upstairs at the Ring O' Bells
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice
Wednesday	8am	Holy Communion – Sisters of Jesus' Way, Abbey Road
	8.30am	Morning Prayer – St Bridget
	8.30-11.30am	Link café – Centre
	10am	Knit & Natter, Craft and Chat group – Centre
	11am	Funeral (Raymond Jack Moore RIP) – Landican
	11.30am	Holy Communion – St Bridget
	12 noon	Ministry Team meeting
Thursday	9am	Morning Prayer on Zoom - for the service **download it here**.
	10am	Caldy Baby & Toddler Group + STiCK
Friday		Parish Office closed
	9am	Morning Prayer livestreamed on Facebook
	10am	St Bridget's Baby Group – Centre

THEOLOGY DISCUSSION GROUP **Tuesday 3rd November 7pm at the Ring O' Bells**

There will be a visitor leading our meeting, Archdeacon Mike Gilbertson. Mike will be leading a discussion on The Book of Revelation: Mike's PhD was focused on Revelation so an interesting evening awaits as we explore what many find to be a challenging book in the New Testament.

PARISH MAGAZINE

The November edition of *The Bridge* is out now – a bumper issue this month. The next edition will be even bigger as it will cover December and January. Please start thinking about any contributions you can make as the editor will be very glad of material!

RAINBOW GOOD NEWS BIBLES

Lots of copies available at the back of St Bridget's church – help yourself.



REAL ADVENT CALENDARS

Now available from the Fair Trade stall in St Bridget's Centre – Advent calendars which are both Fair Trade chocolate and tell the real Christmas story. Each calendar comes with a Christmas story-activity book. The calendars are £4.95 each. As well as ensuring that the cocoa producers are paid fairly, sale of the calendars helps provide care and support for mums and new babies in African villages.

St BRIDGET'S MOTHERS' UNION

There is no meeting in the Centre on Tuesday 10th November as we will be having lunch out at the Gravesberie in Greasby. If you want to go and haven't put your name down please get in touch with Carole Steel or Chris Andrew as soon as possible, as we have to let them know numbers the week before.

WEST KIRBY METHODIST CHURCH FRIDAY 20th NOVEMBER 7.30pm

The Liverpool Harmonic Gospel Choir are performing at the Methodist Church promising a lively and engaging evening – audience participation at appropriate times! Any surplus funds raised will support our chosen charity this year, Wirral Ark. Tickets are £10 each from Sam at the Methodist Church. Phone 0151 625 3224 or email westkirbymc@yahoo.com

"AN EYEWITNESS ACCOUNT OF LIFE IN THE WEST BANK OF PALESTINE"

7pm Saturday 21st November Beacon Room, St Bridget's Centre, West Kirby

Our guest speaker Sue has lived in the West Bank three times, in 2019, 2022 and 2025, with the World Council of Churches and UCPiP – Unarmed Civilian Protection in Palestine. Her role was to monitor human rights violations, accompany those living under military occupation and provide protective presence. Sue will give an eyewitness account of life in the West Bank using her stories and photographs. Do invite friends along too.



FUND RAISING FOR CALDY ORGAN RESTORATION

Drinks and nibbles at 5, Pikes Hey Road on Sunday 22nd November from 11.30am, following our Sunday services. No charge for admittance but donations very welcome.



Christmas Carol Service (Sunday 20th December). If you can't commit regularly to choir but could make rehearsal on a Tuesday and would like to sing at the carol service please let the Rector know.



ADVENT GROUP FRIDAY AFTERNOONS 12:15 –1:45pm in the Centre. PLEASE NOTE THESE SESSIONS ARE NOW ON FRIDAYS, NOT WEDNESDAYS STARTING FRIDAY 27th NOVEMBER.

Who is Jesus? A Journey Through the Old Testament

A four-week journey as we explore how Old Testament stories, promises and prophecies help us understand who Jesus is. Through Scripture, reflection and discussion, we will discover how the ancient faith of Israel points us towards the coming of the one whose birth we celebrate at Christmas. All are welcome, lunch will be provided and no prior Bible knowledge is needed. Please sign up to let us know you'll be joining us – either contact the parish office (0151 625 2739) or sign a form at the back of one of our churches.

Christmas Eve Play 2026

Would you like to play a part in our *Wirral famous* Christmas Eve Play? We will have spoken, sung and silent roles and general helpers needed, too. If you're interested please talk to Carolyn or Andrew. Thanks

Save the Date: ST BRIDGET'S WEEKEND 2027 FRIDAY 29th – SUNDAY 31st JANUARY

St. Bridget's Hotpot Supper and Entertainments – Saturday 30th January 2027

Please make a note of our much-loved evening of food, fellowship, foolery and song. If you'd like to do a 'turn' or help out with practical matters speak to Ruth, Anna or Andrew. Tickets will be available from the parish office from December. Thanks!

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