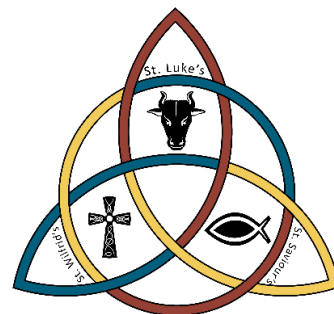




# Monthly Newsletter

## December 2023



### Action for the Month

Make sure you wrap your gifts in recycled wrapping paper or alternatives like textile materials. Avoid glitter and non-recyclable paper.



### An Advent Prayer

*God of Hope*

*Be with us on our Advent journey*

*As we eagerly await*

*Jesus drawing near to us again.*

*Be with us in our gathering  
and in our travelling together.*

*Be with us in our worship  
and in our praying together,*

*In a world that can feel overcome  
by the sins of violence, poverty and injustice,  
we pray that we can be instruments  
of peace and hope in Your name.*

*Amen*

Slyne with Hest Church Hall,  
Shady Lane, LA2 6JG

The churches invite you to

## families@4

First Sunday of every month.

4 - 5pm

3rd December

Welcome to all -  
the young, families  
& young at heart!

Informal  
worship

Fun  
activities

Pizza or  
Pasta teal

### Children and Young People

- **Shining Stars Pre-school group** meets on Tuesday mornings at Slyne with Hest Church Hall.  
**Special Christmas service on Tuesday 19th Dec at 9.15 am**  
Contact Val Gill on 824089 or [robertgill145@btinternet.com](mailto:robertgill145@btinternet.com) for details.
- **St Wilfrid's Junior Church** meets on the first, third and fifth Sundays of the month in term time at 10 am at St Wilfrid's. Please email Sandra ([s.dawson135@btinternet.com](mailto:s.dawson135@btinternet.com)) to find out more details.
- **St Luke's Sunday School** - 9.30 am, Church Hall every Sunday in term time except the first in a month.



### Food Collections in the Church Porches

**St Luke's** – The Foodbank. Items needed: Nappies- size 3&4, tinned potatoes, pasta sauce, hot chocolate, Cup-a-soup. NOT beans or pasta

**St Wilfrid's** – Donations go to the Homeless action Centre – Any non-perishable food

### Slyne with Hest

**Reflection and Prayer** – Thursday mornings at 10.30 am for 15 mins in the Church

**Church Coffee Mornings** -Thursday mornings from 10.45 am -12 in the Church Hall.

**Body and Soul Exercise group** – Thursdays afternoons at 2 pm in the Church Hall.











**St Luke's Gift and Tree Service.** The following items are requested:

Christmas gifts for residents of our local care homes. Wrapped and labelled with gender  
Christmas gifts for children: labelled with age.



# Advent & Christmas Services and Events



Date	St Luke's	St Wilfrid's	St Saviour's
December 5 <sup>th</sup> , 12 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Advent Lunches</b> 12 -1 pm in the Church Hall 		
December 6 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> , 20 <sup>th</sup>	 <b>Advent Hot Chocolates</b> 3- 5 pm in the Church Hall		
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December		<b>Carols &amp; Mince Pies</b> 10 am -12 noon at Halton Park House.  Raffle, Tombola and stalls and Father Christmas!	<b>7.30 pm Christmas Bingo</b> at Aughton Village Hall. In aid of Church funds. Good prizes, raffle and refreshments. 
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December <i>Advent Sunday</i>	8 am – Holy Communion 9.30 am Family Worship 4 pm Families@4	10 am – Holy Communion and Junior Church	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> December <i>Advent 2</i>	 9.30 am Christmas tree and Gift service	8 am – Holy Communion 10 am Christmas Tree service 	11.30 am Holy Communion
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> December <i>Advent 3</i>	8am – Holy Communion 9.30 am  Christingle service URC Carol service and Nativity 11 am in the Church Hall	10 am Christingle service  Halton Village Carol service  6.00 pm at St Wilfrid's Church	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	3.15 pm – Carol singing around the village with St Luke's school starting at the school gates.		<b>Aughton Village Carol service.</b>  7 pm at St Saviour's
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	<b>Slyne with Hest Village Carol Service</b>  with the <b>Rushley Singers</b> 7 pm at St Luke's Church		
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> December <i>Christmas Eve</i>	4.30 pm Childrens activities in the Church Hall 5.30 pm – Crib Service 6 pm - Carol singing in the grounds. 11.30 pm Midnight Mass	10 am Said Holy Communion 3 pm Crib service 	No service
Christmas Day	10 am Family Worship	10 am Family Communion	10 am Family Communion
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> December <i>1<sup>st</sup> after Christmas</i>	8 am Holy Communion 10 am – Joint Service with URC	10 am Family Communion	No service

**Contact Details: Websites** [AChurchNearYou.com](http://AChurchNearYou.com) Rector: Susan Seed 822128, [revsusan.seed@btinternet.com](mailto:revsusan.seed@btinternet.com)

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*St Wilfrid's* - Children, Christine Walmsley 34040. Adults, Sarah Mainwaring 811430