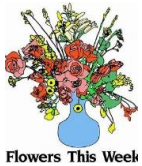

NOTICES

The flowers donated in church this week is from Deborah Lindsay in memory of her mum, Kath Lindsay (W.I. member)

Mothers' Union - Mothers' Union meeting **Tuesday 10th May at 2pm** in Parish Community Hall. The speaker is Colin Hart from the Wirral Food Bank. All welcome

WOODCHURCH W.I. Please visit us on **Thursday 12th May** to see an exhibition of maps and photographs of the wonderful Woodchurch Village and how it has grown and developed around the church, school and the new Rectory – the centre of all activities. Enjoy sitting on the new bench!!

Christian Aid Week is 15 – 21 May 2022 and the focus is on Zimbabwe and the challenges of farming with the uncertainty of Climate Change. The story features Jessica who struggles to feed her family when her harvests fail due to many years of drought. **Envelopes are available at back of church.**

Ascension Day services – Thursday 26th May
early morning: time tbc Deanery service of Holy Communion on Bidston Hill by the windmill
12 noon- service of Holy communion at Holy Cross Church
7.30pm service of Holy Communion at St Saviour's Church, Oxton

Appeal for Sunday 8am Intercessors – if you are interested, please have a word with Rev Christine or Rev Josie.

Sidesperson Rota – Are you available to help out once every 5 weeks? Please see Roy Palmer for more details.

Fancy a cuppa? We would like to start offering tea and coffee after the mid-week service on Wednesday mornings, but to do so we need a team of volunteers - can you help? Please speak to Revd Christine 07766 031757 if you would be happy to help with this on a rota basis. *Many thanks Revd Christine*

An evening with Fiona Bruce MP Fiona Bruce is a Christian, a member of parliament and an excellent speaker who will be speaking at St Catherine's Tranmere on **15th May at 6.30pm**- all are welcome to attend this evening organised by Wirral Gospel Partnership.

Our verse for the year
"Speak Lord, for your servant is listening"
(1 Samuel 3: 9b)

Holy Cross Church, Woodchurch

Sunday, 8th May 2022
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to everyone here today!
A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay for refreshments after the 10am service in the Parish Community Hall.
Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Collect: *(Page 905 – The Common Worship Lectionary)*
Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Post Communion: (*Page 907 – The Common Worship Lectionary*)
Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for 8am and 10am

1st Reading	Acts 9: 36-end
Psalm	23
2nd Reading	Revelation 7: 9-end
Gospel	John 10: 22-30
8.00am	Holy Communion – *Preacher Rev Christine*
10.00am	Holy Communion – *Preacher Rev Christine*
	Hymn Nos for 10am: 337 / 340 / 249
	Mass setting this week is "A Simple Mass 953"
12 Noon	**NO** Baptism
2.00pm	Baptism Preparation in Church
6.00pm	Evening Prayer

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CHURCH DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Tuesday	10th May	12 Noon	Interment of Ashes
		8.00pm	**NO** Bible Study via Zoom (restarts 24th May)
Wednesday	11th May	10.00am	Holy Communion
		2.30pm	Funeral in Church
		3.30pm	Messy Church in Parish Hall
		7.45pm	Standing Committee Meeting in Jubilee Rooms
Thursday	12th May	10.00am	W.I 100th Year Celebration in Church and continues in the Parish Community Hall
		1.15pm-2.30pm	Meadowside Community Café in **Jubilee Rooms**
Saturday	14th May	10.00am	Wedding Rehearsal in Church

SUNDAY, MAY 15TH
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am	Holy Communion	1st Reading	Acts 11: 1-18
10.00am	Parish Communion	Psalm	148: 1-6
12 Noon	Baptism	2nd Reading	Revelation 21: 1-6
6.00pm	Healing Service & Communion	Gospel	John 13: 31-35

Although government regulations re Covid-19 have been lifted, if you can, please consider continuing to wear a face mask in church to protect one another. Hand sanitiser is still available, and please maintain social distancing where possible too- let's stay safe! Many thanks - *Revd Christine & the leadership team.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who live and work in:

Sun: Brackendale. Mon: Brentwood Court.
Tue: Bridge Farm Close. Wed: Caldwell Drive.
Thur: Carr Bridge Road. Fri: Carr Hey Close.
Sat: Cheshire Acre.

Those who will be baptised "we welcome them into the fellowship of faith"

Marriage Banns to be read:
Phillip James O'Connor and Hayley Liane Funston

Those who are ill:
Helen, George, Ethel, Ian, Neil, Kath

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:
Harold Povall

"Give rest O Christ to your servants with the saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing but life everlasting. Amen"

Years Mind:
Gwendoline Jane Roberts, David Roberts, Karl Davies, Laura Eileen Hathaway, David Dunlop-Kidd, Kathleen Bevan, Pauline Crosby, Rose Frances Chapman, Barbara Birch, George Kemp, Frederick Mutch.

TELEPHONE WORSHIP DIRECT FROM HOLY CROSS

You can now listen to a recorded version of our Sunday morning worship by telephone. Dial (0151) 318 2533 at any time to join Revd Josie for 10 minutes of prayer and reflection. This is a local call on a landline. The charge is the same as any local call and is free if your phone package includes free calls at certain times of day. Please pass this information on to anyone you know who isn't able to get to church or use the internet. The Church of England's "Daily Hope" telephone service is also still available free on 0800 804 8044.

BIBLE READING FOR THE WEEK
Fourth Sunday of Easter –Acts 9:36 -43
An insight into the life of the early Christians and God's miraculous working through St. Peter.

What do you think about such accounts?
Where do we see God at work today?
Pray for a greater trust in God in our modern Christian communities.