# The Parish Church of St. Wilfrid, Mobberley

Making Christ Known



July & August 2023

# Church Diary for July 2023

Sat. 1st	Men's Breakfast Church Cleaning	9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 2nd</u>	The 4th Sunday after Trinity	8.30 a.m.
	Said Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion Choral Evensong	10.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 3rd	Parents & Tots at The Beacon Victory Hall TDC	10.00 a.m. 7.00 p.m.
Tue. 4th	The Beacon Drop-In School Governors	10.00 a.m. 5.00 p.m.
Wed. 5th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon Alternative Service (Healing Service)	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m.
Thu. 6th	The Beacon Drop-In Deanery Synod Doorway	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m. 7.30 p.m.
Fri. 7th	Youth Club at the Beacon	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 8th	The Beacon Drop-In Wedding Rehearsal Cream Tea at the Rectory	10.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 3.00 p.m.
<u>Sun. 9th</u>	The 5th Sunday after Trinity / Lammas	
	Said Holy Communion All-Age Family Service Wedding Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 1.00 p.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 10th	Parents & Tots at The Beacon	10.00 a.m.
Tue. 11th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 12th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon Wednesday Matinee	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
Thu. 13th	The Beacon Drop-In Doorway	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.

Fri. 14th	Youth Club at the Beacon	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 15th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 16th</u>	The 6th Sunday after Trinity Said Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 17th	PCC	7.45 p.m.
Tue. 18th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 19th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Thu 20th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
	School Leavers' Service The Beacon Drop-In Doorway	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.
Sat. 22nd	The Beacon Drop-In Wedding Rehearsal	10.00 a.m. 2.00 p.m.
<u>Sun. 23rd</u>	The 7th Sunday after Trinity	
	Said Holy Communion Family Service Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 24th	Parents & Tots at The Beacon	10.00 a.m.
Tue. 25th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 26th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon Wednesday Matinee	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
Thu. 27th	The Beacon Drop-In Wedding	10.00 a.m. 12.00 p.m.
Fri. 28th	Youth Club	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 29th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 30th</u> Mon. 31st	The 8th Sunday after Trinity Said Holy Communion Choral Matins Sung Holy Communion Parents & Tots at The Beacon	8.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m. 10.00 a.m.
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Wed. 2nd	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Thu. 3rd	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Fri. 4th	Youth Club at the Beacon	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 5th	Men's Breakfast The Beacon Drop-In	9.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.
Sun. 6th	The Transfiguration of our Lord	
<u>3011. 0111</u>	Said Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 7th	Parents & Tots at The Beacon	10.00 a.m.
Tue. 8th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 9th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon Wednesday Matinee	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 1.30 p.m.
Thu. 10th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Fri. 11th	Youth Club at the Beacon	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 12th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 13th</u>	The 10th Sunday after Trinity	
	Said Holy Communion	8.30 a.m.
	Family Service	10.00 a.m.
	Choral Evensong	6.30 p.m.
Mon. 14th	Parents & Tots at The Beacon	10.00 a.m.
Tue. 15th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 16th	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Thu. 17th	The Beacon Drep In	10.00 a.m.
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Sat. 19th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 20th</u>	The 11th Sunday after Trinity Said Holy Communion Sung Holy Communion Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Mon. 21st	Parents & Tots at The Beacon PCC Standing Committee	10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.
Tue. 22nd	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Wed. 23rd	Communion at the Beacon Coffee Morning at the Beacon	10.00 a.m. 10.30 a.m.
Thu 24th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
Fri. 25th	Youth Club	7.00 p.m.
Sat. 26th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
<u>Sun. 27th</u>	<u>The 12th Sunday after Trinity</u> Said Holy Communion Family Service Choral Evensong	8.30 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 6.30 p.m.
Tue. 29th	The Beacon Drop-In	10.00 a.m.
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Dear Friends,

One thing going on that isn't referenced elsewhere in the magazine is the Diocesan Vision process. This has been up and running since last autumn and is finally starting to take shape and you can hear more about it at our Deanery Synod meeting on the 6th July at St. Barts, Wilmslow at 7.30 p.m.

There are two thing related to this however that I would like to share with you now. The first of these is about the importance of having a vision. This is was perceived in the Old Testament as being a sign of the activity of God's Holy Spirit in a person's life, as in Joel 2:28, "Then afterwards I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions." A passage that is, of course, picked up by St. Peter on the day of Pentecost. Over the last year, here at St. Wilfrid's, we have been holding our mission meetings as we seek a vision for our work here in Mobberley, a vision that has fed so much of the activity taking place at The Beacon, there is more about this elsewhere in this magazine. Vision is vital, as the old saying goes, 'Those who aim at nothing are sure to hit it' and our vision gives us something to aim at. It is, of course, more difficult to try and hit something than it is to hit nothing which is why God gives us the strength, patience and fortitude to keep trying, to keep going and to achieve what he would have us do.

The second thing I really like about the Diocesan Vision process is simplicity. Bishop's Mark biggest concern is for the 1.5 million people in Cheshire who do not know Jesus as Lord and, like the rest of us at times, he gets fed up with the way that internal concerns and problems take over our time and energies. He has therefore suggested boiling down everything we say and do to one, very simple, question. Whatever we are proposing, whatever we are deciding, does it make a difference to the 1.5 million? Now, here at St. Wilfrid's we don't have to worry to much about the rest of the Diocese, but we do have a concern for Mobberley and the 3000 souls who live here, and perhaps this is a question we should be asking ourselves at every meeting and in every discussion and decision. Does this make a difference to the 3000?

This is, ultimately, what it means to be missional and to walk in the footsteps of our Lord.

Yours in Christ, **Ian.** 

# "THE BEACON", MISSION & TIME

Our Mission Statement for St. Wilfrid's, agreed recently at PCC, is: -

#### 'Making Christ Known'

We are a body of people dedicated to worshipping and serving God. By witnessing to the presence of Christ, and by assisting and encouraging each other, we aim to bring the knowledge, Good News and love of Christ to our local community and beyond.

Down at the Beacon we are flying the Mission Banner and, through the activities hosted there, applying in a practical way the spirit of our Mission Statement.

You will have seen the variety and range of the activities listed both in this magazine and in the Parish Council's



monthly production. Our success, however, is creating a problem for the small team who have been coordinating and staffing these activities since the Beacon opened.



Assuming the average of eight hours sleep a night, which leaves 112 hours per week of being awake "to do stuff". Are there any of your 112 hours per week you're willing and able to give up in order to assist in some way with our mission work at the Beacon?

I do realise that this is difficult, but it is about prioritising. A priority is something that you do or deal with first because it is

more important or urgent than other things.

If you, like I do, feel that flying the flag of our Mission Statement at the Beacon is a priority, and would like to help in some way, then speak to me or John and Jo-Ann Hennerley.



We'd love to hear from you, God bless. John Grainger.



### Church Cleaning & Maintenance

Come and join us on the **1st July** as we give the church building a good spring summer clean. On these occasions we tackle regular cleaning jobs, dusting,

de-cobwebbing, vaccing, polishing etc in the building. We also tackle regular maintenance jobs outside the building such a gutter and drain clearing, weeding in those hard to reach places, we have also, in the past, cleaned the stones on the approach to the north door and reoiled the graveyard gates.

We don't need experience, just enthusiasm. So if you have ever sat there and noticed a dusty corner or a stray cobweb, if you have ever tutted at an overgrown section of the graveyard this is your chance to do something about it. So don your rubber gloves, strap on your knee pads and come and join us

> Saturday 1st July From 10.00 a.m.

# Summer Cream Tea

Following the success of last year's event we shall be repeating our Cream Tea on the Rectory lawn on **Saturday 8th July**. With scones (to rhyme with phones), luscious cream and tangy jam with a cup of tea or a glass of bubbly you can enjoy a lovely afternoon with family and friends.



There will be candy floss, popcorn and games organised for the kids so it can be a real family affair. Do come and join us

> St. Wilfrid's Cream Tea Saturday 8th July 3.00 - 5.00 p.m. £6 hot drink or £8 with glass of fizz

# Wednesday Matinees



#### Wednesday 12th July 'War Horse'

Based on Michael Morpurgo's book, this tale is set just before and during the 1st World war. It tells the story of Joey, an Irish Hunter, and what happens to him amidst the confusion and horrors of the front line. Will he and his first master Albert be reunited, or even survive?

#### Wednesday 26th June 'Greyfriars Bobby'

A Skye Terrier, Bobby, is devoted to farmer labourer Auld Jock but when times are hard Auld Jock is let go and travels to Edinburgh where he dies in poverty. Bobby follows him and sleeps each night on his grave, defying all attempts to move him on until his fate must be decided by the Provost.





#### Wednesday 9th August 'Jurassic Park: Fallen Kingdom'

The dinosaur island of Isla Nublar is threatened by a volcanic eruption. Action is taken to transfer what dinosaurs they can to another island however a deeper and darker plan is set in motion, leading to a shocking discovery.

#### Wednesday 23rd August 'Maleficent'

A dark retelling of the Snow White story shown from the perspective of the witch who is betrayed by the man who would be King. She curses the King's baby daughter, Aurora, but gradually comes to love her, but can she overcome her own curse?



# **Bishop Bishop**



In June it was announced that our Archdeacon, the Venerable Ian Bishop, has been appointed the new Bishop of Thetford. Thetford is a suffragan (assistant) area within the Diocese of Norwich, the Diocese in which Ian served his first incumbency.

Ian has been Archdeacon of Macclesfield for 12 years, before which he served in this Diocese as Rector of St Michael and All Angels, Middlewich and

St. John the Evangelist Church, Byley.

In my experience Ian has done a fantastic job as Archdeacon, particularly over the last four years during which, as well as all the Covid issues, the Diocese was down to one suffragan Bishop meaning the Archdeacons, Ian and Michael Gilbertson, took on a massive amount of additional work.

There will be a farewell service for Ian on Sunday the 23rd July at 5.00 p.m. at St. Bart's, Wilmslow. He will be consecrated bishop on the 29th September 2023 during a service at Westminster Abbey; then welcomed into the Diocese of Norwich as Bishop of Thetford on 30 September during a service at Norwich Cathedral.

Please keep Ian and all his family in your thoughts and prayers as he prepares for this next stage of his ministry.

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# **Prayer for a new Bishop**

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and guide us with love. You have chosen your servant, lan, to be a shepherd of your flock. Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world. Amen.

# Administration of Holy Communion

It was reported in the last magazine that the PCC had taken the decision to revert to administering the wine at Holy Communion

using just the common cup. This will be reintroduced from the start of September. It is slightly delayed because of the need to reassemble and retrain the Communion Assistants and by the fact we will have a guest celebrant in August who will have only just got used to the way we do things currently.



From September, therefore, you will be invited to receive the bread and to drink from the 'common cup' only. You do not need to receive the wine, as outlined in the article last month, which sought to answer three common questions, 'Shouldn't we wait a bit longer?', 'Couldn't we use both a common cup and intincture?' and 'Is it alright to just receive the bread?' Please refer back to that magazine for the answers (the magazine can also be found on our church website). If you are not comfortable receiving from the common cup please leave the altar rail after receiving the bread.



It is my dearest desire that people will be confident to returning to the common cup, a practice we have used since the inception of the Church of England and which, as Bishop Robert Atwell the Chair of the Church of England Liturgical Committee noted, "is a strong symbol of unity, and of a Christian's belonging to, and responsibility towards, others and, not least, Christ".

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# From St. Wilfrid's Registers –



### **Baptisms** in June

4th Lucas James Ian Jackson Townfield Road, Mobberley



### Weddings in June

10th Frederick Reid & Hannah Bolaer Samuel Reed & Hollie McCulloch 11th

Mottram St. Andrew Shaw, Oldham



### **Funerals in June**

5th John Burgess Cynthia 'Cindy' Cottrill 27th

The Hawthorns, Wilmslow The Willows NH

Church Church

### Year's Mind in July

Philip Dawson Marion Stapleton Anne Ford Josiah Norbury **Gladys** Baker Derek Holehouse Kathleen Moston George Sayer **Robert Geddes** Winifred Davenport John Helliwell Harry Budd Ivan Whickham

Gerald Farrand John Pike Stanislav Suniewski Marion Wilkinson Diana Holloway Leslie Abbey George Cooke John Green Lucy Thorpe Gwen Kirkness Doreen Hastie Richard Moseley George Uttley

Ronald Thorpe Eric Taylor Mark Evans Hansranee Armitt James Gough Peter Traynor Maureen Yarwood **Raymond Finch** John Acton Kay Williamson Francis Audus Derrick Wilding

### Year's Mind in August

Those whose anniversary of death is within the last 10 years are remembered on the weekly newssheet and recalled in our Sunday services. Those listed above are those whose anniversary is more than 10-years ago.

### **Digital Giving**

Without doubt, the best way to donate to the church is by doing so regularly by setting up a standing order with your bank or through the envelope scheme as we get 100% of what you give. There may be occasions however when you want to make an irregular or even one-off donation and don't have your computer or cash with you. In which case you can now give via your mobile phone by scanning the QR code below. This has now been Apple Pay and Google Pay enabled which makes it ever more straightforward.

The church has to pay a small fee on all donations received this way which is why we don't want to encourage regular donations via this method. If you would like to set up a Standing Order please contact the Rector.



Thank you. **Ian.**