

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Billy, Libby, Jean, Julie, Ava, Derek, Tommy, Joan, Pearl, Kay, Violet & Faith.

SENIOR MEBERS RESIDENT IN CARE HOMES

Nan, Leslie, Lillian, Sally, Violet, June & Alec

We especially remember in our prayers today the family of Kay Ball (late of Dunluce Avenue who passed away last Sunday.



Our Parish Prayer Line number is 07501 117 888

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During the Vacancy the Rural Dean, Rev Canon Kevin Graham, Rector of St Bartholomew's, will be in charge of the parish with Canon Ken continuing in his usual role.

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St Aidan's Parish Church Enabling people to find a Living Faith in a Loving God by Serving 'Christ in the Community' Sunday 27th March 2022 The 4th Sunday in Lent



Today's worship is the Service of Morning Prayer as per The Book of Common Prayer (page 101) Our services are also available live on Facebook.

Our Hymns this morning are

- 350 'For the beauty of the earth'
- 694 'Glory, honour, endless praises'
- 544 'O perfect love'
- 543 'Lord of the home'

Collects

Lord God whose blessed Son our Saviour gave his back to the smiters and did not hide his face from shame: Give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may receive from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Psalm 32

- 1 Happy the one whose transgression is forgiven, *and whose sin is covered.*
- 2 Happy the one to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, *and in whose spirit there is no guile.*
- 3 For I held my tongue; *my bones wasted away through my groaning all the day long.*
- 4 Your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up like the drought in summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you *and my iniquity I did not hide.*
- 6 I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,' *and you forgave the guilt of my sin.*
- 7 Therefore let all the faithful make their prayers to you in time of trouble;
- in the great water flood, it shall not reach them.
- 8 You are a place for me to hide in; you preserve me from trouble; *you surround me with songs of deliverance.*
- 9 'I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *I will guide you with my eye.*
- 10 'Be not like horse and mule which have no understanding; whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you.'
- 11 Great tribulations remain for the wicked, but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; *shout for joy, all who are true of heart.*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen

Bible Reading

1 Samuel 1.20-28

²⁰ So in the course of time Hannah became pregnant and gave birth to a son. She named him Samuel,^[a] saying, 'Because I asked the LORD for him.'

Hannah dedicates Samuel

²¹ When her husband Elkanah went up with all his family to offer the annual sacrifice to the LORD and to fulfil his vow, ²² Hannah did not go. She said to her husband, 'After the boy is weaned, I will take him and present him before the LORD, and he will live there always.'^[b]
²³ 'Do what seems best to you,' her husband Elkanah told her. 'Stay here until you have weaned him; only may the LORD make good his^[C] word.' So the woman stayed at home and nursed her son until she had weaned him.

²⁴ After he was weaned, she took the boy with her, young as he was, along with a three-year-old bull, ^[d] an ephah^[e] of flour and a skin of wine, and brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh. ²⁵ When the bull had been sacrificed, they brought the boy to Eli, ²⁶ and she said to him, 'Pardon me, my lord. As surely as you live, I am the woman who stood here beside you praying to the LORD. ²⁷ I prayed for this child, and the LORD has granted me what I asked of him. ²⁸ So now I give him to the LORD. For his whole life he shall be given over to the LORD.' And he worshipped the LORD there.



OUR PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you that in your redeeming love you have drawn us together.

We pray that you would deepen our love for you as members of your Church.

Strengthen our fellowship with each other and help us to worship you in spirit and in truth.

We pray that during this time of change, we will keep our eyes fixed on you and trust you for the future.

Help us to be faithful in our prayers for the continuing ministry in this community and guide us in all things to know and do your will, for the honour and glory of your name. Amen