

Wavertree Congregational Church

May - June 2025

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Viv & Jim, Carolyn & Family, Jackie & Jason Hookey, Alison & Ben, Peter & Val, Nick, Kate & baby Eleanor; Clare & Brian; Linda Keys, Sue, Stan & Martin Eccles, Dilys Little, Anne Lord, Ann & Alan Ascott, Frank & Phyllis, Graham & Gerald Taylor, Jenny Hudson, Maureen Harvey, John Burnell & Margaret, Pauline Campbell, Sue & Ged, Lindsay & Peter, Mei, John and Family, Jean Dawber, Jen & Mark Firkins, baby Luan; Saima & family, and Poppy's friend Joshua who broke his collar bone.

Sunday Services

May

4th - Jean Taylor- Holy Communion
11th - Peter Franklin
18th - Yvonne Campbell - Christening
25th - Eve Maudsley - Church Meeting

June

1st - David Boyle
8th - Sue Warburton - Whit Sunday - Holy Communion
15th - Graham Taylor - Fathers Day
22nd - Eve Maudsley - Church Meeting
29th - Peter Franklin



MAY - Dates for your Diary

10th - Cong Fed Assembly - Nottingham Trent University
17th - NWA Spring Assembly - Stalybridge
17th - 24th - Christian Aid Week
22nd - 27th - International Conference Greece



Tea with a Twist

☆ 3rd May- Eve Maudsley
☆ 6th June - Yvonne Campbell

Flower Rota

May

10th & 17th - Viv
24th & 31st - Sue

June

7th & 14th - Ann
21st & 28th - Eve

Psalm 121

I look to the mountains, where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord my God, the maker of heaven and earth!

Dear Friends,

I trust that you all enjoyed Easter Sunday. I haven't eaten chocolate that much, because of my brave (but optimistic) efforts to keep my weight down. But I do my best. What really happened really took my breath away, was the Pope dying that evening. As a youngster and teenager, I was brought up as a Catholic and that made it a very special for me. When I had the Radio News on Monday, I must confess I was really taken back. The Pope was on poor health but still struggled through Easter Sunday. As an 'outside', of all the previous popes, I found his approach to his 'flock' gentle and encouraging. He seemed a good man. I do though worry that the papal candidates will include a number who are keen to ring back the established focus upon Vatican traditions and beliefs. We shall see.

Francis rang each day to talk with those who are desperately trying to protect those of any faith in their church to keep them as safe as possible in Gaza. Times will change now and isolation will come the norm. Just as it is in Palestine, Yemen, Sudan, Ukraine and so on. In Ireland and the UK, many have tried as hard as possible to get repairs, somewhere to find shelter, to find an honest and final prayer/just ending. The Lord tells us what we must do. This is Jesus' wisdom. **1** 'Be careful not to practise your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. **2** 'So, when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honoured by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. **3** But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, **4** so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. When we need to go out and spread the Word.'(Matthew 6:1-4).

Jesus went around teaching from village to village. **7** Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. **8** These were his instructions: 'Take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. **9** Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. **10** Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. **11** And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them.'**12** They went out and preached that people should repent. **13** They drove out many demons and anointed with oil many people who were ill and healed them'. (Mark 6:7-13).

Jesus gave us the opportunity to spread out the Word with him. It is our choice, not His. As we enjoy and wonder about the beauties You have given us. It is our job and responsibility to spread the beauty and the Word. God gave it to us. We give it to all that hear. Let's take every opportunity to let others understand what we say and love. We can help make people smile. God reminds us of those who have gone but remind us, above all, of those who love you now, who will know your love in the future in the beauty that You have given us.

Peter