



WELCOME TO WORSHIP ON 17th OCTOBER

The 20th Sunday of the Trinity season 2021

The Benefice of St.Mary, Alderley & St.Catherine, Birtles

The Revd Linda Lonsdale will celebrate Holy Communion at 9.45am today at St.Mary's Church. Rachel Roberts will conduct Mattins at St.Catherine's Church at 11.15am. Mr Reg Holmes is our organist this morning.



Hymns at St.Mary's Church this morning (from Hymns Old & New):

- 502 Thine arm, O Lord
- 139 For the healing (Tune 1)
- 121 Father, I place into your hands
- 73 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Hymns at St.Catherine's Church this morning (from Common Praise):

- 619 When morning gilds (omit vv 2&5)
- Psalm: 133 & 134
- 612 We have a Gospel to proclaim
- 626 Ye holy angels bright
- 628 Ye that know the Lord is gracious

Today's Bible readings

Hebrews 5: 1-10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. ² He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; ³ and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. ⁴ And one does not presume to take this honour, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. ⁵ So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; ⁶ as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'

⁷ In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸ Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹ and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰ having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Mark 10: 35-45

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' ³⁶ And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' ³⁷ And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' ³⁸ But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' ³⁹ They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.'

⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. ⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. ⁴³ But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'

Zoom worship for our benefice this evening is at 6.30pm. Email neilroberts868@btinternet.com to be sent the Zoom link.

The funeral of Janet ADAMSON will be at Macclesfield Crematorium on Friday 22nd October. There will be a Memorial Service for Janet at St.Mary's Church on Saturday 23rd October at 2.30pm.

Mr Peter BETHELL – a former Churchwarden of St.Catherine's Church – died in Bury Hospital early on 5th October. Peter's funeral is expected to be held at St.Leonard's Church, Middleton. Please contact the Churchwardens or Judith Holden about Peter's funeral arrangements.

The next Baptisms in our benefice will be at St.Mary's Church at 12.45pm on Sunday 31st October (Matilda LAW) and at 12.45pm on Sunday 7th November (Thomas & Flynn CARLYLE) Please email the Rector to let him know if you are willing to serve as Verger for either or both of these Baptisms.

The Christmas Fair will be held this year at Nether Alderley Parish Hall on Saturday 20th November 10.00am to 2.00pm. This will be organised by Nether Alderley Parish Council with help from St.Mary's Church. The event will raise money to keep the Parish Hall in funds and towards the fund to pay for the necessary building works at the Parish Hall. Please contact Fiona Ablett and let her know how you can help.

A Family Christmas carol sing-along will be held at Nether Alderley Parish Hall at 7.00pm on Friday 17th December. More details later.

The Revd Jon Hale will be on leave from Thursday 14th until Tuesday 26th October. Until 20th October, funeral cover will be provided by the Revd Robin Pye on 01625 583249. And until 22nd October funeral cover will also be provided by the Revd Canon Ian Blay on 01565 873218. From 23rd October the Rector / Vicar will act on any messages left on his telephone asking to arrange a funeral.



St.Mary's Church, Alderley SK10 4TW in the Benefice of Alderley & Birtles.

Covid-safe measures now at St.Mary's Church are: (i) please wear a mask if you wish; (ii) Holy Communion in one kind; (iii) Maximum of two doors open. Sometimes when there is a very large congregation for a funeral, worshippers sit in the chancel but, for the time being, this will not be allowed. The Churchwarden is Mr Ken Wilkinson (tel: 0161 4323490). The Rector is the Reverend Jon Hale (tel: 01625 585440 and email alderleyandbirtles@gmail.com). The Honorary Treasurer is Mr Will Ablett (tel: 01625 585180). Online:

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now give online to St.Mary's Church by using the Collectin giving machine on the table at the back of church. Will Ablett – "St Mary's Treasurer – writes as follows: "Just tap the amount you wish to give on the screen and then touch the card reader at the top with your contactless card until 'Payment approved' appears on the reader. If you wish to give more than £30 and are happy for us to claim the gift aid on your donation, please say 'yes' to the gift aid question on the screen and then enter the details requested." **You can now also give to St.Mary's Church using this QR code:**



St.Catherine's Church, Birtles SK10 4RU in the Benefice of Alderley & Birtles.

Covid-safe measures now at St.Catherine's Church are: (i) please wear a mask if you wish; (ii) sign in; (ii) Holy Communion in one kind; (iv) doors & windows open. The Churchwardens are Mr Michael Norbury (tel: 01625 583788) and Mr Chance Wilson (tel: 01625 861310). The Vicar is the Reverend Jon Hale (tel: 01625 585440 and email alderleyandbirtles@gmail.com). The Honorary Treasurer is Mrs Nicola Folkes (tel: 01625

860815 & nicolajaynefolkes@gmail.com) Online: <https://www.stcatherinebirtles.org.uk/welcome.htm> and St.Catherine's Church, Over Alderley on Facebook. To give to St.Catherine's Church go to the St.Catherine's Church website and click on 'Donate Here' to give via PayPal. St.Catherine's Church distributes Over Alderley & Birtles Monthly Messenger free of charge.

Mrs Rachel Roberts (Reader) is on secondment to the Benefice of Alderley & Birtles.