

# Saint Hilda's Church

## Mothering Sunday

### 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020

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A very different kind of Mothering Sunday Celebration today at St Hilda's. No Mass, no candles and no flowers for our mothers; no music and a small band of the faithful sitting quietly. But the atmosphere was beautiful, prayerful as the people who came to pray did so in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. There were only six people but one walked the Stations of the Cross, others used their Rosary or prayer books or sat quietly praying for the people from our parish, the children from our school and of course for those who are ill, particularly those who are suffering the effects of Coronavirus.

Please pray for those whose lives have ended through this dreadful disease and give thanks that our Lord is with them.

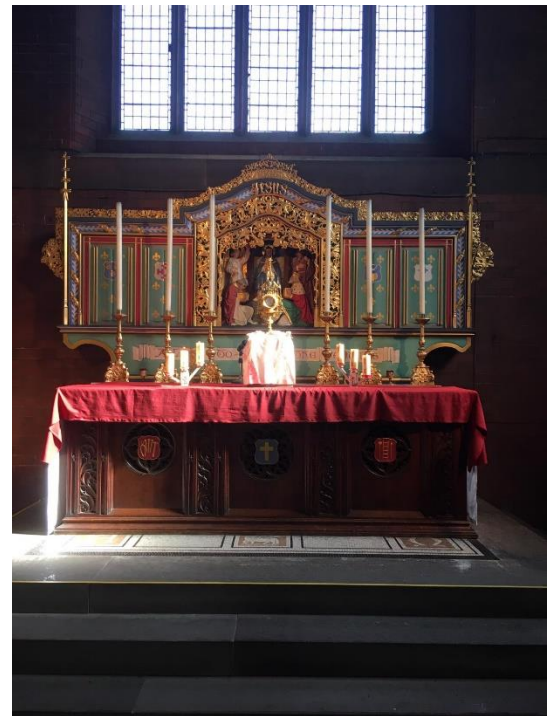
**St Hilda's will be open every day at 10am until 11am for you to come and pray.**

God bless you and keep you safe.

Please, remember in your prayers all those who are sick, or alone or anyone suffering from the coronavirus.

We pray today for

Fred Oliver, Paul Cohen, Christine & Raymond Murray, Jean Williams, Marlene Burns, Doreen Hyland, Frank & Jimmy Kirkham, Denis Fairhurst, Howard Carr, Irene Healy, Helen Dearden, Heather Bleakley, Rose Pryor, Kay & Roger Thomas, Peggy Smith, James Barns, Brian Phillips, Robert Dalton, Doreen Warburton, Derek Miles, Hilary & Stuart Graham, Beryl & Alan Coates, Reverend Deborah, Jimmy Lamb, Derek and Beryl Hughes.



#### Collect

O God, who through your word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings and Psalm for Mothering Sunday

First reading

1 Samuel 16:1. V 6 – 7 & 10 – 13

Psalm 22

The Lord is my Shepherd

second reading

Ephesians 5: 8- 14

A reading from the Holy Gospel according John  
9:1 13 – 17 34 - 38

#### In Memoriam

23<sup>rd</sup> March

Constance M. Berrisford 1971

Fred Taylor 1977

24<sup>th</sup> March

Albert Carr 1989

25<sup>th</sup> March

J. William B. Lycett 1977

27<sup>th</sup> March

Albert William Withers 1983



Thank you  
to all our NHS staff, support workers, teachers, and anyone who is working hard during these unprecedented times. Remember to help others by staying at home or if you have to go out by social distancing. Stay safe - Stay well