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Peter's day off is Friday - messages and emails left on Fridays will not be received by him until Saturday.

**NEWS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 31st 2020**

**Dear friends** – Derek is still spending time in the Royal. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and Jennifer.

He hopes very much to resume normal service in the up and coming weeks. God bless.

**Pentecost**

God, who at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Almighty God you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**NEWS**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

A week of birthdays:

Wendy Doig celebrated her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. Alan Smith who was 86 and Aurora who turned 19! Belated birthday wishes to those who have celebrated their birthdays during lockdown.

**Invitation to join URC CYW for Pentecost**

**Together for Pentecost**

A service from the URC for worship at home, Sunday 31 May, available from 9am on YouTube ([bit.ly/cyw-videos](https://bit.ly/cyw-videos)).

This special service has been prepared by the Children's and Youth Work/CYDO+ team of the URC.

A service sheet is available from [bit.ly/cyw-events](https://bit.ly/cyw-events) and worshippers are encouraged to have a piece of paper and pen(s) ready to help them participate.



The URC Children's and Youth Work team would like to invite you to join us in worship on Sunday 31 May at 9am. The intergenerational service is on [bit.ly/cyw-videos](https://bit.ly/cyw-videos) on our YouTube channel. The Order of Service with information about the service is [here](#) You will shortly be able to access the lyrics to the songs and the words to the Lord's Prayer (all with symbols) [here](#), including a song written especially for this service by Leo Roberts, CYDO for North Western Synod. Our amazing illustrator Samara Andrews, who creates a lot of our artwork, has made a [simple](#) and a [more detailed](#) colouring page on the theme of Pentecost for us too. You are encouraged to have some thin/light paper (e.g. tissue paper, toilet roll and newspaper), pens and scissors on hand to use during the service.

## ***CAN ANYONE HELP?***

Request for donation of a bicycle: one of the mum's whose children attend nursery at Centre 56 and whom I have known for some time now would dearly love a bike so as she can get around more quickly and do shopping etc. If anyone has a lady's bike idling/resting/unused in the garage we would love to have it! Please contact me, Wendy Doig, on 07867795179 or 0151 428 7180. Thank you in advance.

## ***ST. JAMES' CHURCH PRAYER CIRCLE ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE***

We have promoted this in our notices on occasion for anyone to join in but just want to make everyone aware what it actually is. The people who are in this prayer circle share and pray for anyone or any situation that is in need of our collective prayers. It is not exclusive; anyone who has access to a mobile phone and has an app called 'WhatsApp' on it is very welcome to join us in our growing list of 'prayerees'. It is a lovely way to prayerfully keep in touch and to combine our prayers. For more help or information please contact me. Jayne McLaren on 07859062692.

## ***CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE***

Our church Facebook page which I keep updated daily is accessible to anyone who has access to the internet (you don't have to have Facebook). If you have access to the internet, go to the church website <https://www.stjameswoolton.org/> and in the bottom left hand corner; there is a Facebook symbol, click on that and you can see all that is shared.

I started "sing together A worship song a day" when lockdown began. Every day I upload a song (a mix of traditional and new) that people have sent me for everyone to sing along to- if you would like to nominate a worship song/hymn please get in touch via 07951977709 or amybates93@aol.co.uk or via social media.

We may not be able to be together but we can still sing together (albeit in our own homes).

Thank you – Amy

## ***CAN YOU BE KIND?***

KIND distributed over three hundred Easter Food Packs for families across Merseyside, paid for by a very generous local trust. As a result of the conversations with various referrers, KIND has begun a twelve-week Crisis Food Programme, committed to providing a minimum of 150 large family-sized food hampers, which will be delivered to vulnerable/disadvantaged families across our Merseyside community.

Providing 150 hampers over twelve weeks will cost £54,000.00. KIND have begun approaching numerous trusts, individuals and funds to see if they can support this local initiative. If you, your friends and contacts are willing support this local initiative, please make a donation directly into KIND's account:

KIND: Sort code; 20-51-43: Account No.: 70037273

## ***A resplendent looking Jimmy enjoying the sun!***



*Notices for next week* – Please send any messages to **Jayne McLaren** at [jayniemac@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jayniemac@hotmail.co.uk)