

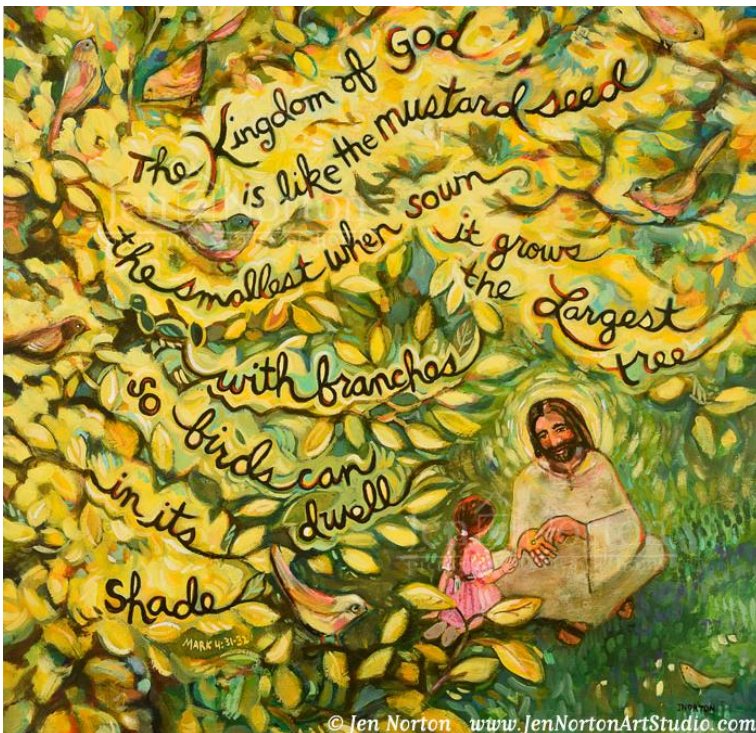
# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## CHURCH NEWS

St. Augustine's Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham, TW2 6DE

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity: Father's Day



#### The Parable of the Mustard Seed

“It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs...” – Mark 4.30-32

The Season of Trinity celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Holy Trinity. The trinity expresses the way we relate to, experience and worship God: Father the Creator, the Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

The Christian Church celebrates and gives thanks for what the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have done in creating and accomplishing salvation for humanity and the whole creation. Celebrating Trinity Sunday after Pentecost also allows the Church to further reflect on the mystery of God after receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit.



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Hiring of Church Hall – contact  
Sue Thornton

Charity number:  
1134957

**First Reading – Ezekiel 17.22-end**



**Gospel Reading – Mark 4.26-34**

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### **Confirmation Preparations**

Please pray for the Confirmation Candidates who have been preparing. Their confirmation service will take place on Sunday 20th October when Bishop Emma will be with us for Harvest Sunday.

### **Prayer Link**

Prayer Link is a confidential service offered by a group of people in the church, who pray for those in need each day, for seven days. If you are unwell, waiting for test results, anxious or worried, in pain, out of work, bereaved or lonely or feel a long way from God, please contact Prayer Link.

*Contact the Team leader, Dina Bartle by email at: [dina.bartle@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:dina.bartle@yahoo.co.uk) or Kathy Bale: [kathybale1707@gmail.com](mailto:kathybale1707@gmail.com) or speak to a member of the team in Church.*

### **Home Groups**

Home Groups provide an opportunity and a safe space to; explore the Bible and other issues together, explore those questions of faith we wanted to ask, grow in our faith journey and understanding of God's purpose for the world, get to know other people, and invite friends and anyone who may be seeking to know more about Christian faith.

Home Groups are temporarily unavailable until further notice. Please speak to Fr John if you are interested in hosting a Home Group.

### **School Exams**

Let us remember in our prayers the young people (and their families) in our community who are writing SATs, GCSEs, or A-Level exams this month.

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### **Annual Interfaith Walk of Peace and Friendship – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June @ 10.30 am**

This event by Hounslow Friends of Faith provides an opportunity to find out more about different faiths and customs, visit places of worship of 4 different faiths, and meet and discuss with friends and new people.

The walk will include a visit to Laxmi Narayan Hindu Temple, West London Jamatkhana, Quaker meeting House and Our Lady of sorrows & St Bridget of Sweden, Catholic Church. Walking or local buses will be used to travel between venues, and a vegetarian lunch and refreshments provided.

*For more information see the flyer at the back of the church or phone 07904 105422.*

## **Homelink Day Respite Centre Activities**

### Lunch Club – Wednesdays @ 11.00am – 2.00pm

Homelink welcome older residents who live in the Richmond Borough for a community spaces lunch. For a £5 donation a two course freshly cooked meal and hot drinks are provided. This is a great opportunity to socialise and make new friends.



*For more information visit [homelinkdaycare.co.uk](http://homelinkdaycare.co.uk). Spaces are limited and booking must be made in advance via phone: 07849 515279*

### Singing for the Brain with Carl Speck – Wednesdays @ 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Homelink offer weekly sessions, bringing carers and loved ones as well as friends of Homelink together to exercise our brains through music. Everyone is welcome to join and express themselves, feel positive and make new friends. Please arrive from 2.15pm to allow the session to begin at 2.30pm. Attendees are welcome to stay for refreshments after the session until 4pm.

*Sessions are £5 per person. Turn-up ready to sing or contact Jane to book in advance on 0208 255 1992 or email: [jane@homelinkdaycare.co.uk](mailto:jane@homelinkdaycare.co.uk).*

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### **Strollers – Next Walk on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

St Augustine Church Strollers Group welcomes anyone who may enjoy walking and meeting new people. We aim to cover a distance between 4-6 miles and include stops for both coffee and lunch.

We have members of differing ages and abilities, all of whom are welcome, as we aim for fellowship combined with mild exercise in pleasant surroundings. *For further information, please contact [pdewinton@aol.com](mailto:pdewinton@aol.com).*

### **Prayer and Reflection – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July @ 11.00am – 12.00pm**

This is a monthly meeting which takes place in church on the first Tuesday of every month at 11.00am, for an hour. People take turns to lead in quiet reflections to deepen our spiritual life and Christian journey. Everyone is welcome.

*For more information, please contact the vicar by email or phone.*

### **Cornerstone – Next meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July @ 2.30pm**

Cornerstone is an informal opportunity to meet together in our beautiful church over a cup of tea or coffee, to share experiences and to support each other. We meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2.30pm, and everyone is welcome to join.

### **Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July @ 12.00pm**

Youth and young people (students from Year 5 to 13) are invited to meet in the Church Hall for a time of fun, games, food (pizza!) and Prayer & Reflection.

Reminder: There will be no meeting during August as YGT will be taking a break.

*For more information, please contact the vicar by email or phone.*

## **Messy Church – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July @ 10.00am – 12.00pm**

Messy Church brings together children (age 0-8) and their parents every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month for a time of fun, art, games, bible stories, sing-along, and food. It affords opportunity for both children and adults to interact with other families.

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## **June Retiring Collection – Open Doors**



Many of our Christian brothers and sisters across the world have to worship in secret or risk terrible danger and persecution for their faith. An example of this relates to the massacre of Christians in a village in Nigeria, which tragically is a frequent occurrence in that country.

This situation is sadly not unique. Around 1 in 7 Christians worldwide face persecution and discrimination. Open Doors helps through practical ways, like providing emergency relief, but also spiritually, encouraging persecuted believers to stand strong in their faith. The charity's passion is to stand with our persecuted brothers and sisters so that they know they are not alone - to pray with them, encourage their faith and speak out for them when they cannot speak out for themselves.

*For more information visit [opendoorsuk.org](http://opendoorsuk.org).*

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## **Worship Services**

- Sunday @ 10am – Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
  - \* Livestream is available via the Church [YouTube Channel](https://www.youtube.com/@StAugustineofCanterburyWhitton) ([www.youtube.com/@StAugustineofCanterburyWhitton](https://www.youtube.com/@StAugustineofCanterburyWhitton))
- Sunday @ 6pm – Evening Prayers (Compline via Zoom)  
*Meeting ID: 837 7674 9724 Passcode: 186213 ([Click here for the Zoom link](#))*
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 10am – Family and All Age Holy Communion Service
- Friday @10am – Holy Communion Service

## **For our Prayers**



Peace and end of war in Israel-Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and other places of conflict around the world.

Those who are sick and struggling: Jo Dale, Jeremy Short, Anne Hickmott, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Joan Greening, Emily Adams, Lucy Brooks, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter, and Ann Cadogen.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Gordon Boyce, Don McLennan, Mick Danieri, Harry Tolson, George Newman, Fr. Arthur Royall, Norah Moon, Ronald Kingswood, Julie Craig, David Proctor, Charlie Abbey, Eileen Butler, Jimmy James, Elizabeth Jacob, Christina Lawley Morris and Leonard Parker.

<b>Diary Dates – June to July 2024</b>		
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity (All Age/Family Service)
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Jun – Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	————	Youth Weekend Away
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> Jun	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Jun	10.00 am ————	Parish Eucharist – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Multicultural Celebration
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jul	10.00 am 3.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Schools Music Concert
Tue 9 <sup>th</sup> Jul	2.30 pm 7.00 pm	Cornerstone (in church) Standing Committee Meeting
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> Jul	7.00 pm	PCC Meeting
Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> Jul	10.00 am 12.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)
Tue 16 <sup>th</sup> Jul	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Jul	10am - 12pm	Messy Church
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity (All Age/Family Service)
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Jul	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 9 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

<b>Service Duties for June 2024</b>			
	<b><u>16/06/24</u></b>	<b><u>23/06/24</u></b>	<b><u>30/06/24</u></b>
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie & Frances	Vicki, Hilda & Gerald
<b>First Reading</b>	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Clare	Graham
<b>Second Reading</b>		Bob	Jo
<b>Intercessions</b>		Alwyn	Dianne
<b>Screen &amp; sound</b>	Mwila	Gill Gooding	Limbani
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Jack, Clare & Louise	Kathy, Frances & Sue	Denzil & Maria