

# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024

# CHURCH NEWS

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

## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity



### The Syrophenician Woman's Faith

*The Woman of Canaan at the Feet of Christ – Jean Germain Drouais*  
'Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.' – Mark 7:24(c) - 27

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

## First Reading – Proverbs 22.1-2, 8-9, 22-23



## Second Reading – James 2.1-10 -17

## Gospel Reading – Mark 7.24-30

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

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## **Walsingham Mass – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 @ 9.30 am**

The Walsingham Cell at St Augustine's has been revived and our first Mass of Our Lady will be at St Augustine's followed by breakfast in the Winning Post: all pilgrims welcome. After that there will be Mass on 26th October at 9.30 am at St Augustine's and 30th November at St Mary's followed by breakfast in the Flower Pot.

## **Quiz Night – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September @ 6.45pm (Doors open at 6.15pm)**

Join us for an enjoyable evening of exercising your brain cells! Enjoy a delicious supper of bangers and mash, with drinks, while participating in an exciting quiz. We kindly request that each team have no more than eight members. Tickets are £12 per person (this includes the food).

*To book a table contact Sue Thornton on 07939 129293 or email [staugustine.whittion@hotmail.com](mailto:staugustine.whittion@hotmail.com).*

## **Harvest Festival & Confirmation Service – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October @10.00 am**

Bishop Emma will be joining us for this year's Confirmation and Harvest Festival Service. Please pray for the Confirmation Candidates who have been preparing. The date for the refresher session and rehearsal will be confirmed soon.

As this Harvest Sunday is a Confirmation and Family Service, we plan to have a "Bring and Share Lunch" to celebrate with the candidates and Bishop Emma.

*If you have any questions, please speak to Sue Thornton or Roubina de Winton.*

## **Fireworks Display Night – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.30 pm**

Come and watch our wonderful annual fireworks display and enjoy some warm food, snacks, and drinks. Don't miss out, spread the word and join us for this special event!

## **Movement and Meditation**

Movement and Meditation is a new event, coming soon to St Augustine's, with the goal of giving support for wellbeing and nourishment for spiritual life. Sessions will be facilitated by Rachel Michael, dance movement therapist and lay pioneer, and will include guided mindfulness meditation, gentle exercise, creative reflection through words and movement, and time to rest.

Dates and time to be determined. Contributions are suggested at £5 or £10 per 1 hour session (according to means). Please see the poster (*page 8*) for more details.

*To enquire, please email [rmmichael2010@gmail.com](mailto:rmmichael2010@gmail.com) or phone: 07773 298426*

## **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 Group with Fiona & John will start again in October. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Fiona or one of the Churchwardens.

*If you are interested in hosting a Home Group, please inform the Churchwardens.*

## **2025 Walsingham Pilgrims**

Information for the 2025 Pilgrimage to Walsingham will be sent out in January. There will probably be 30 pilgrims with members from St Mary's and St Augustine's and being joined again by St Mary's Slough.

*Please speak to Jane Derry or Fiona Wolsoncroft if you would like more information.*

## **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.*

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## **Whitton Playdays – Spaces Available for Ages 2-5**

Whitton Playdays, situated in St Augustine's Church Hall, Hospital Bridge Road, is an Ofsted registered playgroup that caters for children aged 2-5 years. They actively encourage children to learn through play whilst following the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS).

There are currently spaces/vacancies available for 15 and 30 hours of childcare during term time (no top ups).

*Please call 07956550726 or email [julieatplaydays1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:julieatplaydays1@hotmail.co.uk).*

## Homelink – Trustees Wanted



Homelink is searching for new trustees. You don't have to be a superhero, just someone who can help to oversee the small local charity. The time commitment is approximately 2 hours a week on average but not spread evenly across the year. The link has a role description and will tell you how to express an interest without commitment at this stage.

To find out more, either view the opportunity on the [Richmond CVS website](#), or view the role description [here](#). If you would like to discuss the opportunity, please email Jacqui Parris CEO [jacqui.parris@homelinkdaycare.co.uk](mailto:jacqui.parris@homelinkdaycare.co.uk) or call 020 8255 1992.

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### **Cornerstone – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September @ 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.

### **Strollers – Next Walk on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September; Meet @09.40am at Whitton Station**

This outing will be a 4 to 5 mile walk in Richmond Park. The route will start at Pembroke Lodge at 10.30am and continue to the Isabella Plantation for a picnic lunch via the coffee stop near Pen Ponds. Please bring a packed lunch and come to Whitton Station for the 09.50 am train to Richmond then 371 bus to Richmond Hill Park entrance.

St Augustine Church Strollers Group welcomes anyone who may enjoy walking and meeting new people. We have members of differing ages and abilities, all of whom are welcome. *For further information, please contact [pdewinton@aol.com](mailto:pdewinton@aol.com).*

### **Messy Church – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September @ 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.

### **Prayer and Reflection – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October @ 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 Churchwardens.*

### **Youth Get Together (YGT) – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October @ 12.00pm**

Youth and young people (students from Year 5 to 13) are invited to meet in the Church Hall, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month, for a time of fun, games, food (pizza!) and Prayer and Reflection.

*For more information, please contact the Churchwardens.*

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## September Retiring Collection – SMILE TRAIN

1 in 700 babies across the world are born with a cleft lip and/or palate. Clefts cause difficulties eating, breathing, hearing and speaking.



A cleft occurs when certain body parts and structures do not fuse together during foetal development. Clefts can involve the lip and/or the roof of the mouth, which is made up of both hard and soft palate.

In this country, treatment is pretty much immediate and successful, the required surgery is very straight forward. But around the world, many children with clefts are unable to access or afford the reconstructive surgery they need; many of you will have seen the adverts seeking financial assistance on the television.

'Smile Train' funds 100% free cleft treatment to children and adults in over 75 countries worldwide through their network of local medical professionals. As little as £150 can support a free cleft surgery that will change a child's life forever.

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### Worship Services

- Sunday @ 10am – Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
  - \* *Livestream is available via the [Church's 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, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Emily Adams, Lucy Brooks, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter, Ann Cadogen, John Jones, Lyn Watts, Boyce & Millicent, Margaret Baker, Paul Murphy, James Hudson-Derry, Balvinder Pawar, Emma Piper, Joan Greening and Gerald Pratt.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Gemma Harrison, Patricia Shackleton, John Morley, Shirley Guthrie, David Adams, Rene Lisney, Iris Oliver, Tom Hewlett, Christine Platt, Richard Williams, Joan Shilson, Peter Hall, Betty Coughlan, Ronnie Maclean, William Basey, Gwyneth Bartle, Dudley Berryman, Violet Langridge and Leonard Lidbury.

<b>Diary Dates – September - October 2024</b>		
Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)
Thu 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	09.40 am	Strollers Group Outing (Meet at Whitton Station)
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity (All Age/Family Service)
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	7.00 pm	PCC Meeting
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	09.30 am	Walsingham Mass
	10am - 12pm	Messy Church
	6.45 pm	Quiz Night (Doors open 6.15 pm)
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity
<b>Diary Dates – Advent &amp; Christmas 2024</b>		
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Advent Carols
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play
Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.00 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service

<b>Service Duties for September 2024</b>				
	<u>08/09/24</u>	<u>15/09/24</u>	<u>22/09/24</u>	<u>29/09/24</u>
<b>Sidespersons</b>	Vicki, Hilda & Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie & Frances	Jayne, Pauline & Graham
<b>First Reading</b>	Pauline	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Rob	Frances
<b>Second Reading</b>	Gill		Dianne	Sue
<b>Intercessions</b>	Dina		Vicki	Kathy
<b>Screen &amp; sound</b>	Gill	Micah	Limbani	Jo
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Jack, Clare & Louise	Kathy, Frances & Sue	Denzil & Maria	Harriet, Hilda & Barbara





**Saturday 21st September 2024**

**St Augustine's Church Hall**

**Doors Open 6:15pm - starts 6:45pm**

**Tickets £12 pp includes  
Bangers and Mash Supper**

**Teams of 8 people or less  
To book a table**

**Contact 07939 129293 or email:**

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