ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON Sunday 14th July 2024

CHURCH NEWS

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

7th Sunday after Trinity



Jesus Blesses the Little Children

(Jesus blesses the little children – by Gospelimages (Jan van 't Hoff))
"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.' And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them." – Mark 10.14b-16

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

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Gospel Reading - Mark 10. 13-16

Homelink - Trustees Wanted

Have you ever thought of becoming a trustee for a charity?

Homelink is searching for new trustees. They are looking for people who have some of the attributes listed in the link below. You don't have to be a super-hero, 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 <u>Richmond CVS website</u>, or view the role description <u>here</u>. If you would like to discuss the opportunity, please email Jacqui Parris CEO <u>jacqui.parris@homelinkdaycare.co.uk</u> or call 020 8255 1992.

New Parish Website

Last month we launched a new and updated version of our church website. Our goal was to create a user-friendly and informative platform for our community. We have added new features and enhanced the overall design to make it easy for users to find the information they need.

Please explore the website and give us your feedback. We hope you enjoy the new site!

Suggest a Charity for Retiring Collection - September 2024 to August 2025

St Augustine's has a long tradition of making charitable donations to local, national and international charities through the Retiring Collection. In the past 13 years our congregation has donated £33,800 to over 50 charities chosen by you.

The PCC invites you to send your nomination for the charity you wish to support to p.churchman@hotmail.co.uk or speak to a member of the PCC by Sunday 14th July. The PCC at its meeting on Tuesday 16th July 2024 will review the nominations and the charities to be supported for the next 12 months will be selected.

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: <u>dina.bartle@yahoo.co.uk</u> or Kathy Bale: <u>kathybale1707@gmajl.com</u> or speak to a member of the team in Church.

Homelink Day Respite Centre Activities

<u>Lunch Club – Wednesdays @ 11.00am – 2.00pm</u>

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 <u>homelinkdaycare.co.uk</u>. 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.

Strollers - Next Walk on Tuesday 16th July; meet @ 09.50am at Whitton Station

Weather permitting, this outing will be to Wraysbury Village. The route will begin from Wraysbury station to Wraysbury village for a coffee stop, then through the village via the church and across the fields to the Ankerwycke Yew tree where lunch will be taken. Please bring a picnic lunch and come to Whitton Station for the 10.00 am train to Wrasybury station.

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 <u>pdewinton@aol.com.</u>

Messy Church - Saturday 20th July @ 10.00am - 12.00pm

Messy Church brings together children (age 0-8) and their parents every 3rd 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 6th August @ 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.

Cornerstone - Next meeting on Tuesday 13th August @ 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 8th September @ 12.00pm

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

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.

For more information, please contact the Churchwardens.

July & August Retiring Collection - The Fabric Fund

The Fabric Fund is the money put aside to maintain St. Augustine's Church and the church hall, the bricks and mortar, the furniture, what's inside and what's outside of the church. It also includes the cost of the regulatory safety checks, paying for the utilities, carrying out the repairs and so on.

It is the responsibility for the PCC to maintain and run the church and the church hall buildings. As you can imagine, a building as big as St. Augustine's needs a lot of funds to maintain it yearly. This is our church, and we have to keep it in tip top condition for us and for future generations who will worship here. This is why the July and August collection is for the fabric of this church. Please give as generously as you can.

Worship Services

- Sunday @ 10am Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
 * Livestream is available via the <u>Church's YouTube Channel</u> (www.youtube.com/@StAugustineofCanterburyWhitton)
- Sunday @ 6pm Evening Prayers (Compline via Zoom)
 Meeting ID: 837 7674 9724 Passcode: 186213 (Click here for the Zoom link)
- 3rd 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.

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

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: John Brooker, Lillian Frenchum, Audrey Raine, David Weller, Eveline Bentley, Madeleine Boulden, Moira Brunskill, Michael Collett, John Duncan, Edward James Ansell, Geoffrey Ireland, Jean Thomas, Dorothy Ball, Marjorie Cannon and Peter Sharp.

Diary Dates – July to September 2024					
Sun 14 th Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 7 th Sunday after Trinity			
	12.00 pm	YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)			
Tue 16 th Jul	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sat 20 th Jul	10am - 12pm	Messy Church			
Sun 21 st Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 8 th Sunday after Trinity (All Age/Family Service)			
Sat 27 th Jul	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sun 28 th Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 9 th Sunday after Trinity			
Sun 4 th Aug	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 10 th Sunday after Trinity			
Tue 6 th Aug	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection			
Sun 11 th Aug	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 11 th Sunday after Trinity			
Tue 13 th Aug	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)			
Wed 14 th Aug	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sun 18 th Aug	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 12 th Sunday after Trinity (All Age/Family Service)			
Sun 25 th Aug	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 13 th Sunday after Trinity			
Sat 31st Aug	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sun 1st Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 14 th Sunday after Trinity			
Tue 3 rd Sept	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection			
Sun 8 th Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 15 th Sunday after Trinity			

Service Duties for July & August 2024						
	14/07/24	<u>21/07/24</u>	28/07/24	04/08/24		
Sidespersons	Vicki, Hilda & Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie & Frances	Gill & Beryl		
First Reading	Dianne	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Jane	Sue		
Second Reading	Peter		Jay	Roubina		
Intercessions	Vicki		Patricia	Limbani		
Screen & sound	Gill	Micah	Pauline	Jo		
Tea & Coffee	Rene, Marie & Pauline	Sue, Margaret & Pat	Jack, Clare & Louise	Kathy, Frances & Sue		