ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON Monthly Edition – Sunday 2nd June 2024

CHURCH NEWS

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

Monthly Edition: June 2024



1st Sunday after Trinity

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.

On Trinity Sunday, 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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June 2024 Readings

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel Reading
02/06/24	1 Samuel 3.1-10	2 Corinthians 4.5-12	Mark 2.23-3.6
09/06/24	Genesis 3.8-15	2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1	Mark 3.20-end
16/06/24	Ezekial 17.22-end	2 Corinthians 5.6-17	Mark 4.26-34
23/06/24	1 Samuel 17.32-49	2 Corinthians 6.1-13	Mark 4.35-end
30/06/24	Wisdom 1.13-15	2 Corinthians 8.7-end	Mark 5.21-end

A Word from the Vicar

It has been wonderful to celebrate St Augustine's Day on the same day as Trinity Sunday (26/05/24) and enjoy a shared lunch together. We look forward to Summer Fair celebration on 15th June and the opportunity to meet people from the community.

June is of course our last month together with our last service on Sunday 30th after 3 1/2 years. It has been a privilege and a blessing to have been part of the Whitton and St Augustine community. The love and support we have received will remain memorable for many years to come.

We pray for a smooth and short interregnum period.

Shalom

Summer Fair

St Augustine's Summer Fair is on 15th June @ 12.30pm and we need your help! Please bring your donations of bottles for our tombola, preloved vintage homeware, vases, pictures and new clothes (with label on), plants, books, toys, jigsaws, cakes, plus items for the beauty bar. And if you can help on the day, please speak to Sue.

Confirmation Preparations

Confirmation Preparations are meeting every Sunday at 12.00 for an hour. Please contact Fr John for enquiry or expression of interest. Confirmation itself 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: <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.

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.

Embracing Age Quiz Night – Saturday 8th June @ 7.30 pm; St Stephen's Church, Twickenham



By popular demand the Embracing Age Charity Quiz Night is back with Quiz Master Sean Carey and a question writer for The Chase. Teams can be up to 6 people, but if you don't have a team of 6 there will be plenty of others to join up with on the night. There will be a bar, but feel free to bring your own snacks. All money raised will go to the work of Embracing Age in befriending care home residents and supporting informal carers.

Suggested donation for tickets is £5 each. To book your place by call 07735 332584 or visit embracingage.org.uk/quiz.

Homelink Open Day – Wednesday 12th June @ 3.30 pm – 5.30 pm



This open house event provides an opportunity to discover more about Homelink. You can meet the Carers, explore volunteer opportunities, and participate in a craft activity led by our wonderful volunteers. You can also gather information about other local services available in our community.

Other activities include a live performance from talented volunteer entertainers, food and refreshments, a free raffle with a chance to win a £50 M&S voucher along with other exciting prizes, speeches from various keynote speakers including CEO Jacqui Parris, and a special guest appearance.

Annual Interfaith Walk of Peace and Friendship – Saturday 22nd 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 <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.

Prayer and Reflection – <u>Tuesday 4th June @ 11.00am – 12.00pm</u>

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.

Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 9th June @ 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.

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

Cornerstone - Next meeting on Tuesday 11th June @ 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 13th June; meet @ 09.40 am at Whitton Station

This outing will be a walk in Home Park. The walk will begin just before Kingston Bridge, through the park to the river and down towards Hampton Court. Lunch will be eaten on the Barge Walk towpath, then there will be a stop for tea/coffee near Hampton Court, before catching a bus back to Whitton. Please bring a picnic lunch and come to Whitton Station before walking down the Hight St to catch the 481 bus.

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.

Messy Church - Saturday 15th June @ 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.

Summer Fair – Saturday 15th June @12.30pm

Come and join us for our Summer Fair! There will be Games, Food & Drink, BBQ, Raffle, Tombola, Cakes and a Beer Tent. Everyone is welcome and entry is free.

Open *Doors*

June Retiring Collection – Open Doors

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.*

Worship Services

- Sunday @ 10am Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
 * Livestream is available via the Church YouTube Channel
 (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, Joan Greening, Emily Adams, Lucy Brooks, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter, and Ann Cadogen.

<u>This week we remember the anniversary of the death of</u>: Grace Harcourt, Richard Cope, Dave Sugden, Alfred Solomon, Rosemary Osbourne, Stella Climpson, Ella Wilkinson, Barry Payne, Godfrey Pelham Johnston, Chrystal Greenfield, Frederick Goodman, Mary Smythe, Edward Morris, William Reindle, Gladys Lamb, Bertie Herbert, Jack Gopie, Herman Heppenstall, Phyllis Haswell and Betty Spikins.

Diary Dates – June to July 2024						
Tue 4 th Jun	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection				
Sun 9 th Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 2 nd Sunday after Trinity				
	12.00 pm	YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)				
Tue 11 th Jun	2.30 pm Cornerstone (in church)					
	7.00 pm	Standing Committee Meeting				
Thu 13 th Jun	09.40 am	Strollers Group Outing (Meet at Whitton Station)				
Sat 15 th Jun	10am - 12pm	Messy Church				
	12.30 pm	Summer Fair				
Sun 16 th Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 3 rd Sunday after Trinity				
		(All Age/Family Service)				
Fri 21 st Jun – Sun 23 rd Jun		— Youth Weekend Away				
Sun 23 rd Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 4 th Sunday after Trinity				
Sat 29 th Jun	TBC	Strollers Group Outing				
Sun 30 th Jun	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 5 th Sunday after Trinity				
		Multicultural Celebration				
Tue 2 nd Jul	11am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection				
Sun 7 th Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 6 th Sunday after Trinity				
	3.00 pm	Schools Music Concert				
Tue 9 th Jul	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)				
	7.00 pm	Standing Committee Meeting				
Wed 10 th Jul	7.00 pm	PCC Meeting				
Sun 14 th Jul	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 7 th Sunday after Trinity				
	12.00 pm	YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)				

Service Duties for June 2024							
	02/06/24	09/06/24	16/06/24	23/06/24			
Sidespersons	Gill & Beryl	Vicki, Hilda & Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie & Frances			
First Reading	Jo	Sue	Family Camina	Clare			
Second Reading	Dianne	Gerald	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Bob			
Intercessions	Bob	Graham	Touill Church	Alwyn			
Screen & sound	Denzil	Pauline	Mwila	Gill Gooding			
Tea & Coffee	Rene, Marie & Pauline	Sue, Margaret & Pat	Jack, Clare & Louise	Kathy, Frances & Sue			





Homelink Open Day 12th June 2024

Join us from 3:30pm - 5:30pm All communities welcome!

-SPEAK TO OUR
CARERS

- INFORMATION STATION
 - LIVE MUSIC
- FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS



FIND OUT MORE
ABOUT HOMELINK,
YOUR LOCAL CHARITY





-MEET OUR
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-ART ACTIVITY

Free raffle entry for M&S vouchers & other prizes

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