

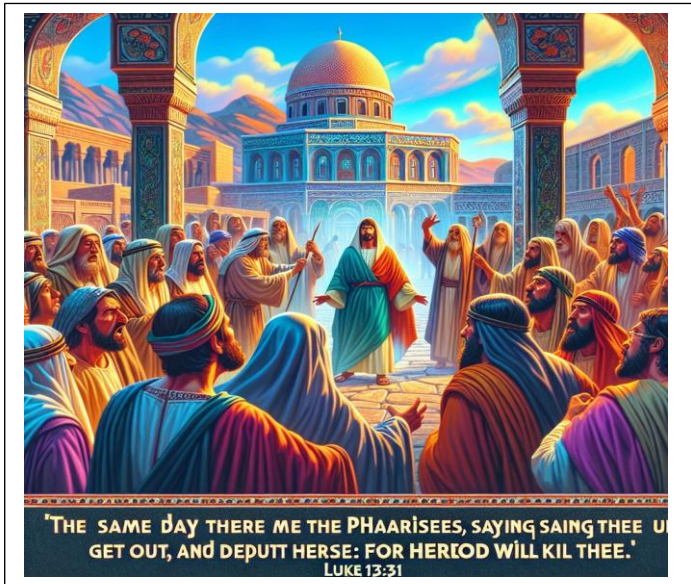
# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 16th March 2025

## CHURCH NEWS

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

### 2nd Sunday of Lent



#### Luke 13. 31-end

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.'

He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work.

Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem."

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing!

See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." '

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**



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### **Electoral Roll Renewal in 2025 - A Message from the Electoral Roll Officer and the PCC**

The Electoral Roll (ER) is the register of our Parish's electors. Being on the Church ER is a way of demonstrating your willingness to help shape the future of our Church and the wider Church not just locally, but nationally and even internationally through the election of Deanery or General Synod members. It also enables you to participate and vote in the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Every Parochial Church Council (PCC) is required to maintain an ER and once in every six years, the preparation of new church ER takes place, which means that everyone must come off the roll and re-apply, this is scheduled for 2025 and must take place prior to our APCM.

The Notice of Preparation of New Roll is now posted online and on Noticeboard.

Jayne Firth, our Electoral Roll Officer will be contacting everyone on the ER with the necessary forms for completion. If you are not already on the ER, please speak to Jayne or one of the churchwardens, Sue or Roubina.

### **APCM Meeting Date**

St Augustine's Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting will be held in the Church Hall on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May immediately following our 10am service. If you would like to find out about the PCC and its function within our church or are interested in becoming a member, please speak to Sue Thornton PCC Lay Chair or Pauline Churchman PCC Secretary.

### **Bishops Lent Appeal and Our Retiring Collection for March and April is ALMA (Angola London Mozambique Association)**

Since 1998 the Diocese of London has been linked with the Anglican churches in Angola and Mozambique. Our link parish of St Augustine is Mecanhelas sede, in the district of Niassa Province in northern Mozambique. The ALMA partnership – and the fundraising and support provided by parishes in the Diocese of London – has delivered real benefits for communities in Angola and Mozambique. For more information visit [almalink.org](http://almalink.org).

### **Messy Church and Sunday School – Next Sunday School is on 9<sup>th</sup> March**

The future dates for the Messy Church are 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 20<sup>th</sup> April and 27<sup>th</sup> April.

### **St Augustine's Art Group Next Session – 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 10:00 am**

The next class is on 22<sup>nd</sup> March and thereafter 26<sup>th</sup> April, 31<sup>st</sup> May and 28<sup>th</sup> June. The dates for the rest of the year will be announced soon. Classes are £10 per session or £80 for a year. Please speak to Sue Thornton if interested.

### **Whitton Woollies Next Meet in the Church Hall - Wednesdays on 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Whitton Woollies meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month from 7.00pm – 9.00pm in the Church Hall and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from 3.00pm – 5.00pm at the Community Centre. Forthcoming dates are on: Wednesdays March 26<sup>th</sup>, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, May 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursdays on March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, May 8<sup>th</sup>. For more information please speak to Gill Gooding or find out on Whitton Woollies Facebook page.

### **Movement and Meditation – Returns on Thursday 27th March @10.00am -11.00am**

Movement and Meditation will be returning to St Augustine's, with the goal of giving support for wellbeing and nourishment for spiritual life. Sessions will include guided mindfulness meditation, gentle exercise, creative reflection through words and movement, and time to rest.

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

### **Mothering Sunday – 30<sup>th</sup> March**

On Mothering Sunday we at St Augustine's have a tradition of distributing posies of daffodils to Grandmas, Mums, Aunties etc in the congregation. We would like your help to make up the posies on Saturday morning 29<sup>th</sup> March. Please come along at 10:00am and bring some small leaf greenery (if you can).

### **Walsingham Mass and Pilgrimage to Walsingham 29<sup>th</sup> March @9:30am**

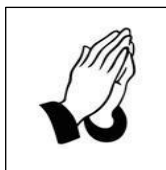
The next monthly Mass of Our Lady is on 29th March at St Mary's Sunbury followed by breakfast at the Flower Pot. The following services will be as follows, 26<sup>th</sup> April and 31<sup>st</sup> May at St Augustine's, 28<sup>th</sup> June at St Mary's Sunbury, 26<sup>th</sup> July at St Augustine's. Mass of our Lady will not be held in August and resume on 27<sup>th</sup> September at St Augustine's, 25<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary's, 29<sup>th</sup> November at St Augustine's.

### **Whitton Choral – Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> March @ 8:00pm at Whitton Baptist Church**

Whitton Choral presents **All Creatures Great and Small**. Including Rejoice in the Lamb – Benjamin Britten, Sparrow Mass – Mozart, The Silver Swan – Gibbons and more. Tickets are £15 including refreshments. Call Sue Tornton 07939 129293 for tickets.

### **Our Prayers**

We ask for peace in Ukraine and pray that the negotiations bring fair and just outcome to the people of Ukraine. We pray for the release of the hostages held in Gaza and hope that a peaceful solution can be found for all in the Middle East. In Jesus Name, Amen.



**Those who are sick and struggling** :Jo Dale, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Lucy Brooks, Emily Adams, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter, Ann Cadogan, Lyn Watts, Boyce and Millicent, Emma Piper, Joan Greening, Kay Alldridge, Jenny Jones, Wyn, Cheryl, Gretta Martin and Pope Francis

### **Recently departed:**

Les Cole and John Lucas

### **This week we remember the anniversary of the death of**

**(16)** Mary Kessack, Dorothy Coombs (01), Dorothy Kerlake (04), David Dunk (07)

**(17)** Fredrick Batlett, Lesley Killick (16)

**(18)** Alan Chapman (37), Samuel Taylor (04), Ena Horton (08), Paul Barrowclough (12)

**(19)** Elizabeth Stubbs (01), Ronald Harbard (05), Stella Blackwell (08), Grace Harris (10),  
Rosemary Styles (23)

**(20)** Catherine Farlie (91)

**(21)** Tom Salmons

### Diary Dates – At a Glance

Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	Parish Eucharist - Fr Jonathan Rust
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> March		Notice of Renewal of Electoral Roll
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> March	7:00pm	PCC Meeting
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> March	10:00am	Said Eucharist – Revd Helen Calner
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	10:00am	St Augustine’s Art Group
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	9:40 am	Strollers Walk
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	10:00am	Parish Eucharist - Fr Julian Reindorp
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	10:00am	Messy Church
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> March	7:00pm	Whitton Woollies – Meet at Church Hall
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> March	10am – 11am	Movement and Meditation
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	Said Eucharist – Fr Gary Piper
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> March	9:30am	Mass of Our Lady of Walsingham (at St Mary’s Sunbury)
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> March	10:00am	Mothering Sunday -Parish Eucharist - Fr Gary Piper