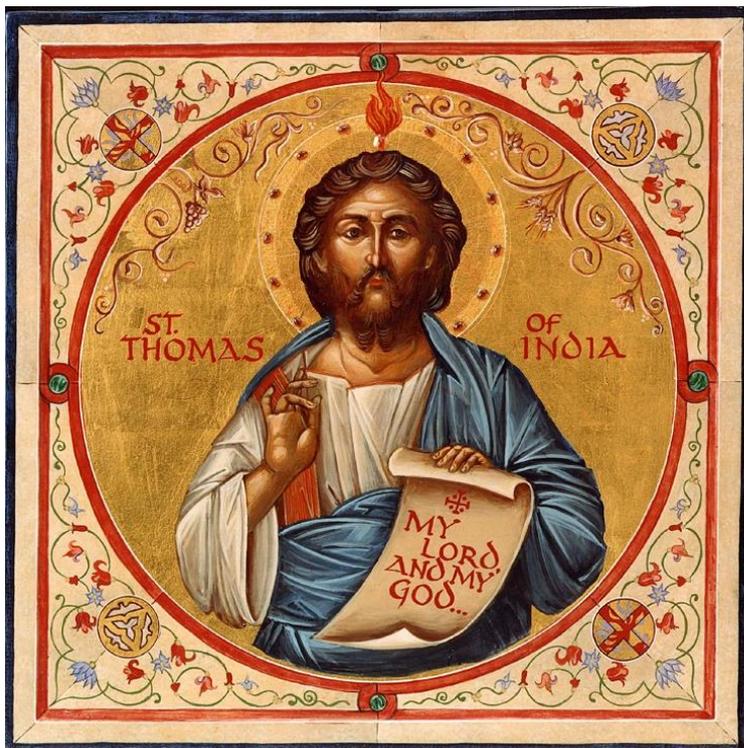


**ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON**  
**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022**

# Church NEWS

**St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham, TW2  
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## St Thomas the Apostle



St. Thomas, one of the Twelve Apostles and commonly known as 'Doubting Thomas', is mentioned in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but it is in John's gospel that his significance is revealed. First, he is heard encouraging the other disciples to go to with Jesus; then, not knowing what Jesus meant when he talked about where he was to go elicited the answer that Jesus was himself the Way.

Most famously he was the apostle notably unconvinced by reports of the resurrection of Jesus, causing Jesus to show him the marks in his hands and side; Thomas then acclaims the risen Christ with the words that have been described as the great climax to John's gospel: "MY lord and my God!" (Adapted from Exciting Holiness, 2017)



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### **First Reading – Habakkuk 2.1-4**

I will stand at my watch-post, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

### **Second Reading – Ephesians 2.19-end**

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

### **Gospel Reading – John 20.24-29**

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

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### **Parish Mission Objectives**

Following the Day of Prayer and Discernment in February this year, at which 30 parish members reflected on the kind of church God was calling us to be, four people have offered to facilitate the action plan of each of the objectives that emerged from the Day of Prayer and Discernment.

- 1. Discipleship and Service** – Dianne Roberts
- 2. Compassionate Outreach** – Alwyn Williams
- 3. Youth & Children** – Gill Gooding
- 4. Worship** – Roubina de Winton

You are cordially invited to join one of the facilitators above and contribute to developing workable activities for implementation for the next five years to make our church more vibrant, welcoming and inclusive, and one that is family and children friendly and growing younger where everyone is involved in its life and mission.

**Quiz Night – Sat 9<sup>th</sup> July @ 7.00pm (doors open at 6:45pm)**

Join us for an evening of fun at our Quiz Night. Tickets are on sale for £10 (includes supper with meat & veggie options). *Please contact Sue Thornton for tickets – see contacts for Sue on page 1.*

**UK-Japan Music Society Summer Concert – Sat 16<sup>th</sup> July; St George’s Chapel, Windsor Castle @ 6:45pm**

Jonathan Gregory, the Founder and Music Director of the UK-Japan Music Society, invites us to a Summer Concert with UK-Japan Choir and Consort with International young soloists. It takes place in collaboration with St George’s Chapel, Windsor Castle, to mark the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Music Society, as well as other milestones. *Visit the website ([ukjapanmusicociety.org.uk](http://ukjapanmusicociety.org.uk)) for more details. Concert tickets will be available from [ukjapanmusic@gmail.com](mailto:ukjapanmusic@gmail.com).*

**Amy Faith Morley concert in aid of Embracing Age – Thu 28<sup>th</sup> July; Holy Trinity Church Richmond @ 7.00pm (doors open at 6:30pm)**

Amy Faith Morley is a Christian singer with a big heart for older people. She will be playing a selection of music influenced by her eclectic influences of country, folk, rock/pop and Christian worship music suitable for all ages and sharing some of her story. Free Entry and donations would be warmly received on the night.

*Booking is required from Eventbrite ([the link to booking is here](#)). Visit the official website ([embracingage.org.uk/concert](http://embracingage.org.uk/concert)) and booking site for more details.*

**Bishop Perrin School visit St Augustine**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 pupils visited the church under the theme of Endurance.

Alwyn welcomed the children before showing them a short, friendly introductory video on the bible story for the day. Then, the children were asked to share their own stories of times when they needed endurance and the people who were there to help them persevere.

The children finished their visit with an exploration of the capacious church. They asked an abundance of questions about items such as the font, altar and stations of the cross, and Alwyn was their fountain of knowledge and wisdom for the day.

All in all, it was a joyous and heart-warming visit, with the smiles wrapped across the children's faces serving as a testament to its success. – Account by Limbani K

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July @ 10.30am **Y6 Leavers Service** takes place to give thanks for what they have achieved during their Primary School years and to pray for their transition to Secondary school. We wish them the very best in their secondary school years and beyond.

**Weekday Services**

We regret to let you know that the Weekdays worship services held on Tuesday and Friday are temporary suspended until further notice.

## **Compline Service – Every Sunday @ 6pm**

Join us for evening prayers in Church or via Zoom with the following details:

*Meeting ID: 897 3613 1720 Passcode: 702310 ([Click here for the Zoom link](#))*

## **Cornerstone – Next meeting on Tuesday 12<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, maybe through a difficult time. We meet every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2:30pm, and everyone is welcome to join.

## **Strollers - Next Walk on Tuesday 12th July, meet @ 9:40am at Whitton Station**

This outing, weather permitting, will repeat last year's visit to Reading via the Elizabeth Line, and it's a walk through Reading from the Station via Forbury Park, the Abbey and the River Kennet, which then meets the Thames where lunch will be had on the towpath before heading back towards the station. It's 95% flat, on paths and pavements, and is about 5 miles in total. It is a longer journey to and from the walk than usual (nearly 2 hours). Please come to Whitton station for the 9.50am service to Richmond and bring a picnic lunch.

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. *Please contact [pdewinton@aol.com](mailto:pdewinton@aol.com) for further information.*

## **Confirmation**

Please pray for the following confirmation candidates as they prepare to be confirmed by the Bishop on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Rosie Escoffery, Matilda Escoffery, Agape Magona, Timothy Magona, Gideon Luyombya, Gerald Pratt, Lois Luyombya, George Saunders & Abigail Norman.

## **For our Prayers**



Peace and end of war in Ukraine and other places of conflict around the world.

Those who are sick and struggling: Jo Dale, Arthur Doughty, Stella Cheng, Aiden Littrell, Jeremy Short, Peter Greening, Alison Griffiths, Rosemary Styles and Fr John.

Recently Departed: Richard Norris

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Agnes Firminger, Charles Rothwell, Edward Elkan, Wilfrid Stott, Margaret Kunkel, Joseph Smith, Robert Watson, Edna Bailey, Graham Mullins, Albert Ourden, Jean Ksiezak, Annie Highton, Lillian Lywood, William Butt, John Gatfield, Brenda Mayne and William Griffiths.

### Diary Dates – July 2022

Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> July	7.00 pm	Quiz Night (doors open at 6:45pm)
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity YGT – Youth Get Together (@ Church Hall)
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> July	9:40 am 2.30 pm	Strollers Group Outing (meet @ Whitton Train Station) Cornerstone (in Church)
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity (Family/All age service)
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> July	7.30 pm	PCC Meeting
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

### Diary Dates – Important Dates 2022

Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Sep	10.00 am	Confirmation & Harvest Sunday Service
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00 am	All Saints Day Service
5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	TBC	Fireworks Display Night
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00 am	Christ the King Service

### Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2022

Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30 pm	Advent Sunday and Advent Carols
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service

### 10.00 am Service Duties for July 2022

Date	Sidespersons	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessions	Tea & Coffee
10/07/22	Vicki P, Hilda P & Gerald P	Joan G	Dianne R	Vicki P	Rene K, Marie C & Pauline C
17/07/22	Jayne F, Pauline C & Graham B	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church			Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S
24/07/22	Rob D, Connie C & Frances T	Gerald P	Jay C	Graham D	Jack H, Clare H, Barbara M & Hilda P

Date	Screen & sound	MC	Crucifer	Acolyte 1	Acolyte 2
10/07/22	Limbani K	Jane D	Michael B	Roubina d W	Charles D
17/07/22	Gill G	————	Michael B	————	————
24/07/22	Pauline C	Jane D	Christine H	Michael B	Roubina d W



All are welcome to join us for Tea & Coffee in the Church Hall  
after the service