

**ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON**  
**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

# Church NEWS

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

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent



Advent is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming (*adventus*) of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time.

The Advent wreath is a centuries-old Christian tradition that holds four candles representing the four Sundays of Advent. Each Sunday symbolises one of the four Advent themes: Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. The wreath's circular shape and evergreen colour represent God's infinite and everlasting love for us.



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## **First Reading – Isaiah 2.1-5**

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

## **Second Reading – Romans 13.11-end**

## **Gospel Reading – Matthew 24.36-44**

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

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## **Christmas Fair – Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2022 @ 2:00 pm**

Join us at our Christmas Fair to enjoy different fun activities, food and drink including the following: Tea, Cake, Raffle, Crafts, Tombola, Children's games, Chocolate tombola, Jigsaw games & toys, Pick a key, Mulled wine and Home produce.



## **Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December @2.00pm**

On the 2nd Sunday of each month the Youth (students from Year 6 to 13) meet at 2.00pm 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 13<sup>th</sup> December @ 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.

## **The Strollers – Next Walk on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

St Augustine Church Strollers Group welcomes anyone who may enjoy walking and meeting new people. We walk between 4 and 6 miles, aiming to include stops for coffee and lunch. 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.*

## **Junior and Youth Church Nativity**

The young people in our church are once again to showcase the story of the birth of Jesus on Saturday 17th December at 4.00pm.

Parents encourage your children to come on Sundays at 10.00am and there will be special rehearsals at 2.00pm on Sunday 11th December in the Church Hall. Pizza and drinks will be available on that day.

*For enquiries please contact Martha ([msakala07@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:msakala07@yahoo.co.uk)).*

## **Churches Together in Whitton**

The preparations for the Christmas Day lunch are underway and, once again, we need to ask for your help.

Volunteers are needed on Christmas Eve at Ss Philip & James to prepare the hall. We will meet at 11.30am for about 1 hour (the more people that help the shorter the time required). On Christmas Day, we require people to help greet our guests and serve lunch. We also require drivers to transport the guests to and from the hall.

*If you think you can help, please sign up on the lists at the back of the church or contact Roubina de Winton ([roubinadewinton@gmail.com](mailto:roubinadewinton@gmail.com)).*

## **December Retiring Collection**



Next month's retiring collection is for Crisis. Crisis is the nation's largest homeless charity dedicated to helping people experiencing homelessness. They work directly with thousands of homeless people every year and provide vital help so that people can rebuild their lives and are supported out of homelessness for good.

Every year Crisis at Christmas opens its doors to people who are homeless. Right now, thousands of people at the sharp end of poverty are at risk of being pushed into homelessness. As a national charity, Crisis offer much-needed warmth, healthcare, food and company to people experiencing homelessness across the UK.

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## **Embracing Age Concert: A Collection of Classics – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December; St Stephen's Church, Richmond Rd, TW1 2PD @ 8:00pm (doors open 7:30pm)**

An uplifting evening of solo and ensemble classical music to raise funds for Embrace Age – a local charity befriending care home residents. Cheese and Wine and a Bar will be available on the night and the donations made on the night will be matched through The Big Give, so come along and make double the impact!

*Booking is required. For booking details visit [embracingage.org.uk/concert](http://embracingage.org.uk/concert) or Phone 07735 332584*

**Multicultural Richmond: HAM Community Social – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022;  
Ham Youth Centre, TW10 7PL @ 11:00am – 2:00pm**

Multicultural Richmond will host a fun filled morning with free refreshments and activities. The free activities will include henna tattoos, exercise classes, massage and a raffle for adults and children. Attendees will also have an opportunity to find out about the different activities being offered by Multicultural Richmond.

**Bishop Perrin CofE Primary School Job Advert: Site Manager – Application  
Close Date: Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 @ 11:00am**

Bishop Perrin School is looking for a part time Site Manager who will be responsible for and continue to maintain the high standards within our school. They are looking for someone who is friendly and reliable, well organised, can work independently and show initiative be flexible and adaptable.

*For the full job description, detailed list of duties and to apply – visit [eteach.com/job/school-site-manager-1288241](http://eteach.com/job/school-site-manager-1288241)*

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**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](#))*

**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, Stella Cheng, Aiden Littrell, Jeremy Short, Rosemary Styles, Anne Hickmott, Sister Eileen Caple and Willem Cheng

Recently Departed: Claire James-Cashford

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Mary Saxon-Snell, Simon Raymond, Barbara Hewson, Nellie Kitching, Sally King, Miriam Woodison, Edna Coughlan, Barbara Barrett, Grace Rose, Valerie Beal, Dulcibelle Bearryman, Cathy Smith, Pamela Togni, Maggie Hayashi, Christopher Ware, Margaret Pratt, Betty Harris, Nadine Cribb, Edgar Thomas, Francis Smith, Katherine Fraser MacDonald, Rita Jenn, Carol Alldridge, Maurice Barnett, Joyce Goddard, Tony Goff, Frederick Stark, Rhys Thomas, Kathleen Wye and Jean Hawkins.

### Diary Dates – December 2022

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent YGT – Youth Get Together (@ Church Hall)
Tue 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00am	Parish Eucharist – 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent (All Age/Family Service)
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Epiphany
Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany (All Age/Family Service)
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Epiphany
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

### Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2022

Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play
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 December 2022

Date	Sidespersons	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessions	Tea & Coffee
04/12/22	Gill G & Beryl L	Vicki P	Charles D	Patricia H	Jack H, Clare H, Barbara M & Hilda P
11/12/22	Vicki P, Hilda P & Gerald P	Roubina d W	Peter d W	Rob D	Kathy B, Frances T & Sue T
18/12/22	Jayne F, Pauline C & Graham B	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church			Denzil D & Maria D

Date	Screen & sound	MC	Crucifer	Acolyte 1	Acolyte 2
04/12/22	Roubina d W	Jane D	Michael B	Charles D	Christine H
11/12/22	Pauline C	Jane D	Roubina d W	Christine H	Michael B
18/12/22	Alwyn W	Jane D	Charles D	Michael B	Christine H



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