

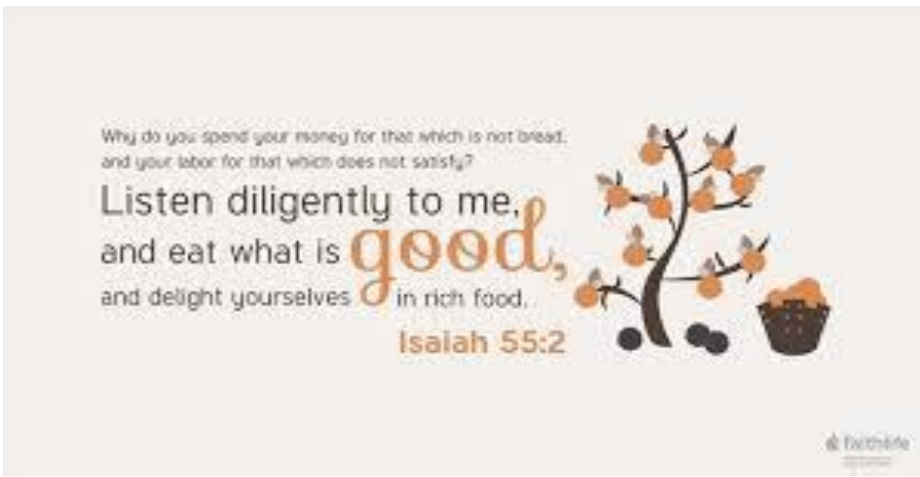
ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 27th October 2024

CHURCH NEWS

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

Last day after Trinity



Isaiah 55.1-2

Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat!

Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

A Word from the PCC

Fr John officially vacated his position at the end of July and the process to appoint our new vicar commenced in September when the wardens held a meeting with Rev. Rust who explained what happens in a vacancy.

The following steps have already taken place. Firstly, as required by the diocese, the PCC attended an Unconscious Bias training, to ensure the incumbent's appointment is made without any prejudice. Secondly, a pre-Section 11 meeting was held, attended by the PCC members and chaired by Rev. Rust, who explained the process of appointing the next incumbent.

The PCC met in October for the Section 11 meeting (Patronage



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(Benefices) Measure 1986), the purpose of which is to:

- select the representatives who would work with the Bishop to appoint our next vicar.
- decide whether to request the registered patron (in our case the Bishop) to consider advertising the vacancy;
- deciding whether (under section 12 of this Measure) to request a joint meeting of the PCC with the Bishop for the purpose of exchange views on the statement prepared under section 11.

Our next step is to complete the first draft of the Parish Profile by the end of October and finalise it by Mid-November. The PCC would keep you up to date as we progress.

If you have any question at all please speak to one of the churchwardens or a member of the PCC.

For the Week Ahead

All Souls' Day. – Friday 1st November @10am

Prayer for Persecuted Christians - Sunday 3rd November @ 4.00pm

We are holding a service of Prayer and Vigil for Christians around the world who face persecution because of their faith in Jesus Christ. Prayers will be led by Fr David Cloake (of St Mary with St Alban Church in Teddington) with guest speakers from the charities Open Doors and SAT-7.

Join us in lighting candles and praying together for our persecuted brothers and sisters.

Retiring Collection - October

Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI)



Lifeboats

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution celebrates its 200th anniversary this year. The crew members are all volunteers coming from different walks of life. They can be summoned by their pagers at any time of the day or night to go on a rescue mission. This could be to a swimmer, kayaker, paddle boarder, sailor or fishing vessel that has got into difficulties. Or sometimes even to an animal. The sea can be very treacherous and unpredictable.

The RNLI does not only operate along the coast. Closer to home there are 4 lifeboat stations along the Thames, including one in Teddington, ready to rescue anyone who has got into difficulties in the water. Rivers can also be highly dangerous.

Please support the RNLI as generously as you can. *For more information visit rnli.org*

Retiring Collection – November Our Retiring Collection for November is Homelink who through the BIG Give scheme are hoping to double the amount donated by us. We will be welcoming Rita Harris, the chair of the board of trustees to say a few words.

Dates for your Diary

Fireworks Display Night – Friday 8th November @ 6.30 pm (Refreshments available from 6.00 pm)

Come and watch our wonderful annual fireworks display and enjoy some warm food, snacks, and drinks. Don't miss out, spread the word and join us for this special event!

Movement and Meditation – Begins on Thursday 28th November @ 10.00am -11.00am

Movement and Meditation is a new event, coming soon 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. Please see the poster (*page 8*) for more details.

To enquire, please email rmmichael2010@gmail.com or phone: 07773 298426

Walsingham Mass – Saturday 30th November @ 9.30 am

The Walsingham Cell at St Augustine's has been reinstated. All are welcome to the Mass which will be held monthly on the last Saturday of the month followed by breakfast. The next Mass of Our Lady will be held on 30th November at St Mary's followed by breakfast in The Flower Pot.

CTiW Christmas Lunch 25th December 2024

Churches Together in Whitton (CTiW) have started preparations for the annual Christmas Day Lunch. If you are alone on Christmas Day or know of someone who will be on their own and lives in the Whitton, Twickenham or Hampton area please talk to Roubina de Winton or email CTiW Christmas@gmail.com.

If you know someone who is interested please ask their permission and pass their details as above.

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 Group with Fiona & John will start again in October. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Fiona or one of the Churchwardens.

If you are interested in hosting a Home Group, please inform the Churchwardens.

For our Prayers



Peace and end of war in Israel-Gaza, Lebanon, Yemen, Ukraine, Sudan, and other places of conflict around the world.

For the safety and wellbeing of people affected by natural disasters; particularly the recent floods, hurricanes and typhoons affecting various countries around the world.

Those who are sick and struggling: Jo Dale, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Emily Adams, Lucy Brooks, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter,

Ann Cadogan, John Jones, Lyn Watts, Boyce & Millicent, Paul Murphy, Emma Piper, Joan Greening, Kay Alldridge, Jane Derry and Jenny Jones.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of:

Irene Jordan, Icilda Gopie, Tony Wallis, Winifred Doughty, Peter Smith, Peter Cain, Albert Bezant, Elizabeth Davis, John Hardy, John Butler, Kenneth White, Ivy Smith Tracy Brown, Edmund Slaughter, Constance Cuthbert, Ipsy Warren, Arthur Rickbell, Michael Lock, Malcolm Atkins and Roger Brunskill

Diary Dates – October & November 2024		
Sun 27 th Oct	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Last Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday)
Fri 1 st Nov	10.00 pm	All Souls Day Service
Sun 3 rd Nov	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – All Saint’s Day
	4.00 pm	Prayer Vigil for persecuted Christian
Tue 5 th Nov	11 am – 12 pm	Prayer and Reflection
Fri 8 th Nov	6.30 pm	Fireworks Display (Refreshments avail. from 6pm)
Sun 10 th Nov	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Remembrance Sunday
	12.00 pm	Youth Get Together (YGT)
Tues 12 th	2.30 pm – 4pm	Cornerstone
Sat 17 th Nov	10 am – 12 pm	Messy Church
Thu 28 th Nov	11 am – 11 am	Movement and Meditation (see Flyer)
Sat 30 th Nov	9:30am	Walsingham Mass held at St Mary's Sunbury
Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2024		
Sun 1 st Dec	6.30 pm	Advent Carols
Sat 7 th Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sun 15 th Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 21 st Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play (TBC)
Tue 24 th Dec	11.00 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Wed 25 th Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service