

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON
SUNDAY 19TH June 2022

Church NEWS

**St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham, TW2
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1st Sunday after Trinity



Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost and celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Holy Trinity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. 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 to accomplish salvation for humanity and the whole creation. We remember the Father as our Creator, the Son as our Saviour, and the Holy Spirit as our Comforter and strength. 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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First Reading – 1 Kings 19:1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, 'So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow.' Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: 'It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.' He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, 'Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you.' He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.'

He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram.'

Second Reading – Galatians 3:23-end

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel Reading – Luke 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, ‘What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me’— for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, ‘What is your name?’ He said, ‘Legion’; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, ‘Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.’ So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

UK-Japan Music Society Summer Concert – Sat 16th 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 30th Anniversary of the Music Society, as well as other milestones. *Visit the website (ukjapanmusicsociety.org.uk) for more details. Concert tickets will be available from ukjapanmusic@gmail.com.*

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

Cornerstone – Every 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 2.30pm

The recent meeting took place on the warm afternoon of Tuesday 14th June and brought together 19 people who shared lots of warm conversations.

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. Join us next month on 12th July.

Strollers – Next Walk on Saturday 25th June, meet @ 9:40am at Whitton Station

This outing, weather permitting, will be along the Thames Path from Richmond to Teddington (or on to Kingston if preferred). Please come to Whitton station forecourt to catch the bus to Richmond and also bring a picnic lunch. Keep in mind that if it rains between now and the 25th, the river path may be muddy in places.

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 for further information.*

Confirmation

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

Richard Norris

We have all been saddened by the news of the untimely death of Richard Norris. Richard was a huge part of the church community, and he will be dearly missed by all. Please pray for Richard's older brother, John, and his family during this very difficult time.

Information about funeral plans will be shared once known. We commend Richard to the mercy of God, that he may rest in God's eternal peace and rise in glory.

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: Ronald Kingswood, Julie Craig, David Proctor, Charlie Abrey, Eileen Butler, Jimmy James, Elizabeth Jacob, Christina Lawley Morris, Leonard Parker, Ernest Smith, Arthur Firminger, Terence Pearce, Ada Fitzwater, Harold Clarke, Jeffrey Williams, Ivy Dane, Derek Collier and Bernard Williams.

Diary Dates – June/July 2022		
Sat 25 th June	9:40 am	Strollers Group Outing (meet @ Whitton Train Station)
Sun 26 th June	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 2 nd Sunday after Trinity
Sun 3 rd July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – St Thomas the Apostle
Sat 9 th July	7.00 pm	Quiz Night (doors open at 6:45 pm)
Sun 10 th July	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 4 th Sunday after Trinity YGT – Youth Get Together (@ Church Hall)
Tue 12 th July	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in Church)
Sun 17 th July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 5 th Sunday after Trinity (Family/All age service)
Sun 24 th July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 6 th Sunday after Trinity
Sun 31 st July	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 7 th Sunday after Trinity
Diary Dates – Important Dates 2022		
Sun 18 th Sep	10.00 am	Confirmation & Harvest Sunday Service
Sun 30 th Oct	10.00 am	All Saints Day Service
5 th Nov	TBC	Fireworks Display Night
Sun 20 th Nov	10.00 am	Christ the King Service
Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2022		
Sun 27 th Nov	6.30 pm	Advent Sunday and Advent Carols
Sat 3 rd Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sat 17 th Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play
Sun 18 th Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 24 th Dec	11.30 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Sun 25 th Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service

10.00 am Service Duties for June/July 2022

Date	Sidespersons	First Reading	Second Reading	Intercessions	Tea & Coffee
26/06/22	Rob D, Connie C, Frances T	Jane D	Martha K	Dina B	Kathy B, Frances T & Sue T
03/07/22	Gill G & Beryl L	Michael B	Graham B	Roubina de W	Denzil D & Maria D
10/07/22	Vicki P, Hilda P & Gerald P	Joan G	Dianne R	Vicki P	Rene K, Marie C & Pauline C
17/07/22	Jane F, Pauline C & Graham B	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church			Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S



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