

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON
SUNDAY 23rd April 2023

CHURCH NEWS

**St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham,
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3rd Sunday of Easter



The Walk to Emmaus:

“Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.” (Luke 24:13-17)

**Alleluia Christ is Risen!
He is Risen indeed Alleluia.**

We celebrate Easter as the triumph of light over darkness, life over death, peace over violence, hope over fear, and love over hatred.

Easter Day marked the beginning of the fifty days of celebrating Jesus' resurrection. The final ten days begin on Ascension Day where we celebrate Jesus' ascension into heaven. And at the end of the fifty days, we celebrate Pentecost (sometimes called Whitsun) when Jesus' disciples received the gift of the Holy Spirit.



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First Reading – Acts 2.14a, 36-41

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

Second Reading – 1 Peter 1.17-23

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.



Gospel Reading – Luke 24.13-35

Strollers – Next Walk on Saturday 29th April

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 for further information.*

Cornerstone – Next meeting on Tuesday 9th May @ 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.

Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 14th May @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.*

Kensington Area Youth Weekend – Friday 16th – Sunday 18th June, Oakwood Youth Challenge, Wokingham

This weekend, packed full of outdoor activities, fun, worship and exploring our faith, is for churches who don't run their own youth residential. Cost is £130pp, some bursary funding will be available to those who may require financial assistance.

For further details and bursary application contact Fr John on:

vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com or call/WhatsApp: 07407 246686

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.

For details of the hosts and the days available, and to sign up, contact Fr John on:

WhatsApp Number +44 7407 246686 or email: vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com.

Revision of the Electoral Roll

The Church Electoral Roll for our parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council beginning on Monday 27th March and ending on Friday 5th May.

The final Roll will be published on 7th May 2023, with a copy of the names only (data protection) displayed in the Narthex and church website. A full copy (with contact details) will be kept by the Electoral Roll Officer, Vicar, and Church Wardens. A copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council.

Lent Appeal 2023 – MANNA/ALMA

The Diocese of London is partnering with MANNA (Mozambique Angola Anglican Association) to raise money to train leaders in Mozambique who can provide pastoral care and support for those with trauma.

Our link parish of St Augustine, Mecanhelas sede, in Mozambique had their church partly destroyed and roof blown off by a storm, therefore need to rebuild and put a new roof. So, the collection will be shared between MANNA and ALMA (Angola London & Mozambique Association) to support these two causes.

To find out more or donate to the appeal visit: london.anglican.org/lentappeal2023

Embracing Age: Poetry Competition – Closing Date: Sunday 30th April

As a Christian charity working towards a world where older people are valued, connected and full of hope. Embracing Age is running a poetry competition with the theme of "Hope in Ageing". The competition is open to anyone over the age of 50, the shortlisted poems will be published in an anthology and the winning poems will be read by Pam Rhodes on Premier Radio. *This is a national competition, and all the details are on the website embracingage.org.uk/poetry.*

Homelink: Warm Spaces Lunch – Every Wednesday @12.00-3.00pm



Homelink provides Warm Spaces Lunch each Wednesday from 12-3 pm. The lunch is free and will consist of a two-course meal and a hot drink for the older residents of the Borough of Richmond. The places are limited and can be booked through a dedicated phone line. *Visit homelinkdaycare.co.uk for more information about the charity.*

Hospital Bridge Road Consultation – Deadline: Friday 9th June

Richmond Council are seeking views on changes to Hospital Bridge Road between Ashley Drive and the A316 Chertsey Road. The aim of this scheme is to provide safe cycling and walking facilities for those traveling along hospital Bridge Road.

The consultation is now live on the Richmond Council website, please respond by the deadline (haveyoursay.citizenspace.com/richmondec/hbr-23/).

There will be a drop-in session on Tuesday 9th May @1.30pm -5.30pm at Whitton Library 141 Nelson Rd, TW2 7BB. *If you have any queries, please direct these to: transportation@richmond.gov.uk.*

Weekday Services

We have Morning Prayers every Friday at 10.00 and Holy Communion on the last Friday of each month.

The Tuesday worship service remains suspended until further notice.

Compline Service – Every Sunday @ 6.00pm

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



The many people perished and affected by the earthquake devastation in Turkey and Syria, for rescue efforts and safety of the survivors.

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

Those who are sick and struggling: Jo Dale, Aiden Littrell, Jeremy Short, Anne Hickmott, Sister Eileen Caple, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Bob Winter, Joan Greening and Marion McGinnis.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Francis Sim, Lionel Rides, Jean Moore, Gladys Batten, Dorothy Crow, James Bush, Myra Marcombe, David Dabin, Marcel Vaufrourd, Ernest Garnham, Baby Loveisha Nembhard, Mavis Winter, John Clarke, Eva Godley, Pamela Deakin, Jack Watson, Arthur Costar, Pat White, Pauline Tsiakis, Winifred Eves and Dorothy Cox.

Diary Dates – April & May 2023		
Sat 29 th April	TBC 7.00 pm	Strollers Group Outing Film Night (Sister Act)
Sun 30 th April	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 4 th Sunday of Easter
Sun 7 th May	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 5 th Sunday of Easter
Tue 9 th May	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)
Sun 14 th May	10.00 am 2.00 pm	Parish Eucharist – 6 th Sunday of Easter YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)
Wed 17 th May	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Diary Dates – 65th Anniversary celebrations June 2023		
Sat 3 rd Jun	7.00 pm	Quiz night (doors open @6.45pm)
Wed 7 th Jun	AM: 10.30 – 12.30 PM: 2.00 – 4.00	Church Open Day*
Sat 10 th Jun	12.30 pm	Garden Party/Summer Fair
Wed 14 th Jun	AM: 10.30 – 12.30 PM: 2.00 – 4.00	Church Open Day*
Sat 17 th Jun	3.00 pm	Children's concert
Wed 21 st Jun	AM: 10.30 – 12.30 PM: 2.00 – 4.00	Church Open Day*
Sat 24 th Jun	AM: 10.30 – 12.30 PM: 2.00 – 4.00	Church Open Day*
Sun 25 th Jun	TBC	Anniversary Celebratory Lunch (after Sunday worship service)
*Note – there will be on display historical & current activities of the church life		

10.00 am Service Duties for April & May 2023				
	<u>23/04/23</u>	<u>30/04/23</u>	<u>07/05/23</u>	<u>14/05/23</u>
Sidespersons	Rob D, Connie C, Frances T	Vicki P, Hilda P, Gerald P	Gill G & Beryl L	Vicki P, Hilda P, Gerald P
First Reading	Charles D	Jay C	John W	Kathy C
Second Reading	Vicki P	Frances T	Rob D	Fiona W
Intercessions	Fiona W	Bob W	Alwyn W	Dina B
Screen & sound	Alwyn W	Pauline C	Gill G	Limbani K
MC	_____	_____	_____	_____
Crucifer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 1	_____	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 2	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tea & Coffee	Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S	Jack H, Clare H, Barbara M & Hilda P	Kathy B, Frances T & Sue T	Denzil D & Maria D