

**ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON**  
**Monthly Edition – SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

# Church NEWS

**St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham,  
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## December 2022: Monthly Edition



### The 2<sup>nd</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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## December 2022 Readings

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel Reading
04/12/22	Isaiah 11.1-10	Romans 15.4-13	Matthew 3.1-12
11/12/22	Isaiah 35.1-10	James 5.7-10	Matthew 11.2-11
18/12/22	Isaiah 7.10-16	Romans 1.1-7	Matthew 1.18-end
24/12/22	2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8-11, 16	Acts 13.16-26	Luke 1.67-79
25/12/22	Isaiah 52.7-10	Titus 3.4-7	Luke 2. 1-14

### **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 for further information.*

### **Junior and Youth Church Nativity – Saturday 17th December @4:00pm**

The young people in our church will once again showcase the story of the birth of Jesus. 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).*



### **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).*

## 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.

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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### **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)*

### **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.

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## Weekday Services

As from 9<sup>th</sup> December we now have Morning Prayers every Friday at 10.00 and Holy Communion once a month. The Tuesday worship service remains 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

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Arthur Randall, Frederick Stark, Maurice Ockendon, Terry Turner, Les Heppenstall, Mimi Every, Arthur Pullen, Donald Ratcliffe, Maurice Hutchins, Alex Ferguson, Gladys May, John Holden, Gilbert Hole, Laurence Turner, Dorothy Tompkins, Beryl Weber, John Symonds, Mollie Stiles, Eileen Hamilton, Maud Clewer, Vera Culling and Ron Culling.

### Diary Dates – December 2022 / January 2023

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)
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent

### Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2022

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
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
25/12/22	Rob D, Connie C & Frances T	Rob D	Alwyn W	Limbani K	_____

Date	Screen & sound	MC	Crucifer	Acolyte 1	Acolyte 2
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
24/12/22	Gill G	Jane D	Charles D	Michael B	Roubina d W
25/12/22	Limbani K	Jane D	Michael B	_____	_____



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