

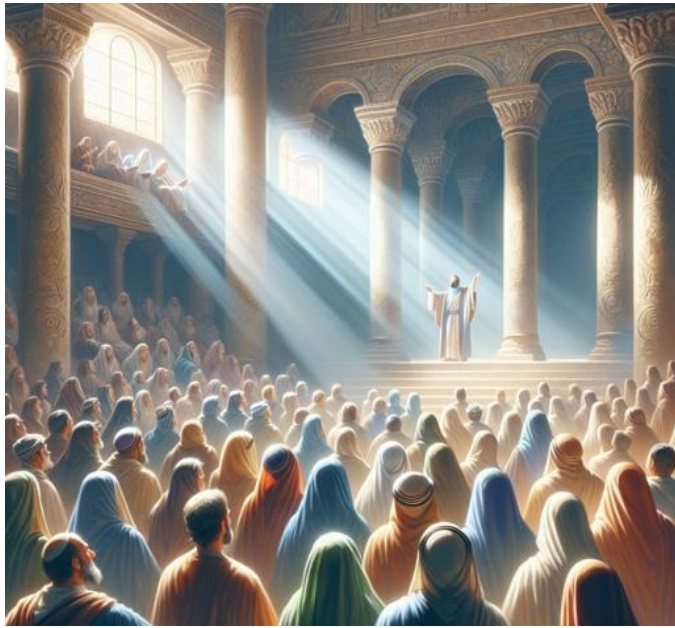
# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 26th<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## CHURCH NEWS

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

### 3rd Sunday of Epiphany



#### John 4. 14 -21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him.

He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**



St Augustine's Church,  
Whitton, in Vacancy

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## **A Message from the PCC and the Churchwardens**

The Parish Profile has now been finalised. The advert will be placed in the Church Times on the following dates:

31 January

7 February

14 February

21 February

**Deadline for Applications:** Monday 24 February, Midday

**Shortlisting Meeting:** Wednesday 26 February, 3pm

**Interviews:** Wednesday 12 March

## **Foundation Governor Vacancy at Bishop Perrin**

Mrs Doggett one of our Foundation Governors, nominated by the PCC, will end her term of office at the end of February. The PCC would like to invite interested parties wishing to serve as Foundation Governor to submit their written application providing a precis of their reason for wishing to serve in this role to Mrs Pauline Churchman, PCC Secretary, no later than 31 January. The PCC will consider the applications received and will put forward their nominee.

You can find out more about The Key role for a Foundation Governor and the Eligibility Conditions [here](#) or see the document provided with the Newsletter.

For further information Please speak to Mrs Alwyn Williams, Chair of Governors

## **January Retiring Collection – UNICEF**

On 6th January we celebrate 12th Night, with the coming of the three wise men who brought gifts for the baby child Jesus.



This month our retiring charity is UNICEF, an international charity that provides support for children in all parts of the world. Working in over 190 countries they respond to emergencies, such as that seen in Gaza, Haiti, the Sudan and Ukraine; to poverty and hunger as seen in Yemen and Syria.

UNICEF report that 2024 has been very difficult and there are now around 1 billion children living in poverty, which means they lack basic necessities such as food, water, shelter and education – all things that we take for granted.

Of these children, 333 million live in extreme poverty surviving on less than £1.75 per day. We know that most of these children live in parts of Africa, but please don't let this hide the fact that we also have children in wealthy countries, such as England, who live in extreme poverty.

This month I hope that you will follow the Christmas story and help the children in greatest need by donating as generously as you are able to UNICEF.

This is the last Sunday for donating to UNICEF. The Retiring Collection for **February** is the British Epilepsy Association sponsored by Graham Dale.

## **Pie and Quiz. - Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February Doors Open at 6:15pm for 6:45 Start**

Join us for an enjoyable evening of exercising your brain cells! And partake in delicious home cooked Shepard's Pie. We kindly request that each team have no more than eight members.

Tickets at £12.00 including food with drinks available at the bar.

## **St Augustine's Art Group – 15<sup>th</sup> February at 10:00 am**

Once a month on a Saturday come and join our friendly, long standing, Art Group at St Augustine's Church Hall to learn to paint and draw in all mediums with a qualified teacher, no experience is necessary. Classes are £10 per session or £80 for a year. The next class is on 15<sup>th</sup> February and thereafter 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 31<sup>st</sup> May and 28<sup>th</sup> June. The dates for the rest of the year will be announced soon. Please speak to Sue Thornton if interested.

## **Walsingham Mass – 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 9:30**

The next Mass of Our Lady of Walsingham is on 22<sup>nd</sup> of February at St Augustine's at 9:30 followed by breakfast at the Winning post, all are welcome. Future dates of the monthly Mass of Our Lady are as follows: 29th March at St Mary's Sunbury, 26<sup>th</sup> April and 31<sup>st</sup> May at St Augustine's, 28<sup>th</sup> June at St Mary's Sunbury, 26<sup>th</sup>

July at St Augustine's. Mass of our Lady will not be held in August and resume on 27<sup>th</sup> September at St Augustine's, 25<sup>th</sup> October at St Mary's, 29<sup>th</sup> November at St Augustine's.

### **Movement and Meditation – Returns on Thursday 27th March @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. To enquire, please email [rmmichael2010@gmail.com](mailto:rmmichael2010@gmail.com) or phone: 07773 298426

### **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. 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.*

### **Raising Funds for our Church**

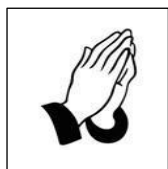
If you take out new home insurance with **Ecclesiastical Insurance**, they will donate £130 to an Anglican church or cathedral of your choice (T&Cs apply).

£130 may not seem like a lot of money, but a little help can go a long way. To find out more click on the link [Trust130 donations](#) or go to <https://www.ecclesiastical.com/home-insurance/trust130>

### **Kensington Area Youth Weekend - 20-22 June 2025 at Oakwood Youth Challenge Wokingham**

The weekend runs from supper on Friday evening through to just after lunch on the Sunday. As in previous years, it is a mix of adventurous activities run by Oakwood instructors, our own craft/games/challenge activities and times of worship, teaching and discussion. Different leaders are involved in leading the sessions and the teaching/worship. We're mindful that different churches are represented and endeavour to reflect this in our worship, celebrating our unity as the family of God whilst using varied styles of worship during the weekend. Please speak to The churchwarden, Sue or Roubina if interested to participate.

**For our Prayers** Please pray that the Holy spirit will open the heart of the right person and guide them to serve us and St Augustine's as our new vicar. In Jesus Name.



Peace and end of war in Syria, 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 fires in Los Angeles.

**Those who are sick and struggling:** Jo Dale, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Lucy Brooks, Emily Adams, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter, Ann Cadogan, Lyn Watts, Boyce and Millicent, Emma Piper, Joan Greening, Kay Alldridge, Jenny Jones, Wyn Morris and Cheryl

### **Recently departed:**

#### **This week we remember the anniversary of the death of**

**(26)** Ann Barnikel

**(27)** Esther Mitchell (82), Harry Lywood (83), Julia Caulfield (06), Peggy Smith (08)

**(28)** Harold Brown, Fred Chandler (69), Pat West, Richard Trimble (05), Gladys Voss (05)  
Eric Dade (14), George Simmons (16)

**(29)** Carolyn Hedworth (04), Marisha Wenderlish (10)

**(30)** Edwin Johnson, Nell Brunskill (00), Joseph Jacobs (05), Victoria Hayward (12),  
Carol Elliman (13), Iris Osborne (23)

**(31)** May Ponder, Mary Thorpe (01)

#### **February**

**(1)** Stanley Weeks (04) Peter Gilbert (07)

### Diary Dates – At a Glance

Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9:15 am	Bishop Perrin Year 4, School Assembly
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	10:00 am	Said Eucharist service
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	10:00am	Parish Eucharist – Service taken by Rev’s Cara Lovell Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9:15am	Bishop Perrin Year 3, School Assembly
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11:00am to 12:00pm	Pray and Reflection
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	10:00 am	Said Eucharist service
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10:00am	Parish Eucharist Service taken by Fr Julian Reindorp
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10:00am	YGT
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2:30 pm to 4:00 pm	Cornerstone Cafe
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9:45 am	Strollers Outing – Walk to be
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6:15pm Start at 6:45pm	Pie & Quiz