# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023

# CHURCH NEWS

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

# 20th Sunday after Trinity



### Moses' Intercession

"The Lord said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.'"

— Exodus 33:17-18

The Season of Trinity celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Holy Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We give thanks for what the Father, Son and Holy Spirit have done in creating and accomplishing salvation for humanity and the whole creation.

The Trinity expresses the way we relate to, experience and worship God; 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 - Exodus 33.12-end

Moses said to the Lord, 'See, you have said to me, "Bring up this people"; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, "I know you by name, and you have also found favour in my sight." Now



if I have found favour in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favour in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.' He said, 'My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.' And he said to him, 'If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favour in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.'

The Lord said to Moses, 'I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favour in my sight, and I know you by name.' Moses said, 'Show me your glory, I pray.' And he said, 'I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, "The Lord";[a] and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But', he said, 'you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.' And the Lord continued, 'See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.'

### Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

### Gospel Reading - Matthew 22.15-22

Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, 'Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?' But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, 'Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax.' And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, 'Whose head is this, and whose title?' They answered, 'The emperor's.' Then he said to them, 'Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's.' When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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# **Strollers** – Next Walk on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October; meet @ 09.40am at Whitton Train Station

This outing, weather permitting, will be a walk in Morden Hall Park. There are many attractions e.g., The Rose Garden, National Trust Café, views of the weir and Morden Hall and more. Please bring a picnic lunch and meet at Whitton Train Station for the 09.50 am service to Twickenham then Wimbledon and finally a tram to Phipps bridge.

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 <u>pdewinton@aol.com</u> for further information.* 

### Prayer and Reflection - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November @ 11.00am - 12.00pm

This is a monthly meeting which takes place in the church on the first Tuesday of every month at 11.00am, for an hour. People take turns to lead in quiet reflections to deepen our spiritual life and Christian journey. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, please contact the vicar by email or phone.

# **Kensington Area Youth Event –** Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November @ 7.00pm – 8.30pm; St Saviour's Sunbury, TW16 7TP

This evening event for young people in Years 7-13 will include food, games, worship led by a youth band, a short talk and creative prayer stations. All for Free! The theme for the evening will be 'Who you are made to be' Psalm 139:14.

To book please contact Fr John on WhatsApp Number +44 7407 246686 or email: vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com.

# **Youth Get Together (YGT)** – Next meeting on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November @ 12.00pm Please note that this monthly event on the 2nd Sunday has now changed to 12.00 noon from 2.00pm.

Youth and young people (students from Year 5 to 13) are invited to meet 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 14th November @ 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.

## Messy Church - Saturday 18th November 2023 @ 10.00am - 12.00pm

Messy Church brings together children (age 0-8) and their parents every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month for a time of fun, art, games, bible stories, sing-along, and food. It affords opportunity for both children and adults to interact with other families. Come and have fun!

### Fireworks Display - Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.00pm

Come and watch our wonderful fireworks display and enjoy hot dogs and a warm bowl of soup. Don't miss out, spread the word and join us for this special event!

### Quiz & Curry Night – Saturday 18th November @ 7.00pm

Join us for an enjoyable evening of exercising your brain cells! Enjoy a delicious curry and drinks while participating in an exciting quiz. We kindly request that each team have no more than six members. Please wait for more updates and information to come or speak to Sue Thornton.

### Winter Fair - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December @ 2.00pm

As December is approaching, we are starting to prepare for the Winter Fair. Please take a moment to consider whether you might be able to lend your support by either volunteering to help with a stall or making a donation to the event. We had a great Fair last year, let's make this year even better!

### **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.

- Wednesday Home Group with Fiona & John (@7.00pm) will meet next in October on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Friday Home Group with Alwyn Williams (@ 11.00am) will meet next in November on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

For further details and to sign up, contact Fr John on: WhatsApp Number +44 7407 246686 or email: vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com

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### Funeral Notice - Charles Deakin

Charles died peacefully last Tuesday at West Middlesex Hospital, where he was admitted to over two weeks ago. Charles had a strong faith in God, and he loved to serve His Maker (especially as a Server) and in other areas even when he was not feeling well. We commend him to God's eternal love and grace.

Charles' late wife Pam died in April 2020 at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. The family have therefore chosen to hold a joint service to give thanks for the life of both Charles and Pam at St Augustine's Church at 12.00pm on Thursday 30 November 2023. *Please speak to Fr John for further details.* 

# Whitton, Heathfield and West Twickenham Community Conversation – Friday 10th November @ 6.30pm – 9.00pm; Whitton Community Centre, TW2 6JL.

Residents, local businesses, and community organisations are invited to come together with our local Councillors and discuss ideas, concerns, and initiatives that can help enhance our vibrant neighbourhoods.

The Community Conversation will be held as a hybrid event, with residents able to join in person or watch an online stream of the event and submit questions via a digital platform. Attendance is free, but registration is essential, as in person places are limited.

For more information and to register to attend please visit <u>eventbrite.co.uk/e/whitton-heathfield-and-west-twickenham-community-conversation-tickets-735816325437.</u>

### Age UK Richmond - Dementia Support

Age UK Richmond have made available a new Dementia Support webpage. The aim of this page is to gather together some of the specific information and support that is available for local people living with dementia, their families and carers.



There are various dementia friendly activities available in Richmond including Tea & Memories, Forget-Me-Not lunches, Singing for the Brain, Picassos in the Park for Dementia, Creative workshops, and more. For more details visit the new webpage at ageuk.org.uk/richmonduponthames/get-involved/dementia-support.

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### October Retiring Collection - Homelink Day Respite Centre



Homelink, registered as St. Augustine's Community Care Trust was established in 1997 through fundraising and dedication of St Augustine's congregation.

Its aim is to give carers a well-earned day's respite, secure in the knowledge that the person they look after is receiving care of the very

highest standard. Homelink also offers direct practical, social and emotional support to carers, both individually and in groups. All donations will be put towards the running of their crucial services. For more information visit <a href="https://homelinkdaycare.co.uk">homelinkdaycare.co.uk</a>. For all service enquiries, please call Julie or Rachel on <a href="https://doi.org/10.2082.55.1992">20.2082.55.1992</a>. For those interested in volunteering, please call and ask for Julie.

### **Worship Services**

- Sunday @ 10am Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
- Sunday @ 6pm Evening Prayers (Compline via Zoom)
   Meeting ID: 897 3613 1720 Passcode: 702310 (Click here for the Zoom link)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month @ 10am Family and All Age Holy Communion Service
- Friday @10am Holy Communion Service

### 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.

<u>Those who are sick and struggling:</u> Jo Dale, Jeremy Short, Anne Hickmott, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Joan Greening, Emily Adams, Lucy Brooks, Chris Frazer, John Burbidge, Mavis Walter and Sylvia.

Recently Departed: Charles Deakin and Sian Davies.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Margaret Clarke, William Harper, John Clabon, Sidney Westbury, Jim Townsend, Joyce Pease, Pauline Harbard, Alpheus Gopie, Charlotte Costar, Irene Jordan, Icilda Gopie, Tony Wallis and Winifred Doughty.

Diary Dates – October & November 2023					
Sat 28th Oct	09.40 am	Strollers Group Outing (meet at Whitton Train Station)			
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Last Sunday after Trinity (Dedication Sunday)			
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	6.30pm	All Souls Day Service (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)			
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.00 pm	Fireworks Display Night			
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – All Saints Day (4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday before Advent)			
Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection			
Diary Dates - Advent & Christmas 2023					
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair			
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	10.00 am	Advent Sunday Service			
	6.30 pm	Advent Carols			
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight			
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play			
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11.00 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)			
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service			

10.00 am Service Duties for October & November 2023					
	<u>22/10/23</u>	<u>29/10/23</u>	<u>05/11/23</u>	12/11/23	
Sidespersons	Rob, Connie, Frances	Rob, Connie, Frances	Gill & Beryl	Vicki, Hilda, Gerald	
First Reading	Gerald	Ben	Alwyn	Ben	
Second Reading	Jay	Kathy	Dhanani	Vicki	
Intercessions	Rob	Graham	Vicki	Fiona	
Screen & sound	Pauline	Limbani	Gill	Pauline	
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Crucifer					
Acolyte 1	<del></del>				
Acolyte 2					
Tea & Coffee	Jack, Clare, Barbara & Hilda	Kathy, Frances & Sue	Denzil & Maria	Rene, Marie & Pauline	