

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 14th January 2024

CHURCH NEWS

St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham,
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2nd Sunday of Epiphany



Jesus Calls Philip and Nathanael

Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these. And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'" – John 1.50-51

Epiphany, celebrated on 6th January, marks the end of the Christmas season. Epiphany is a celebration of God manifesting as the baby Jesus and revealing Himself to the world. It is the time when we remember one element in the story of Christ's birth, the visit of the magi (also called the Three Kings or Wise Men). This is an important day signifying that Jesus' birth would be important for all people, not just the Jews; He is both 'a light to lighten the Gentiles' and 'the glory of God's people Israel'.

The season of joyful celebration now continues through the successive Sundays of Epiphany and ends with the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemas).



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First Reading – 1 Samuel 3.1-10, 11-20

Second Reading – Revelation 5.1-10

Gospel Reading – John 1.43-51



Strollers – Next Walk on Tuesday 16th January, meet @ 09.40 am at Whitton Station

Weather and ground conditions permitting, this outing will be along the Duke of Northumberland's River through Whitton to Isleworth finishing at the Thames. This walk is about 4 miles and will start at Whitton station and proceed towards Kneller Gardens, picking up the river path and heading past Twickenham Stadium then through Mogden. Please bring a picnic as lunch is aimed to be in the park near the Thames.

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. *For further information, please contact pdewinton@aol.com.*

Messy Church – Saturday 20th January @ 10.00am – 12.00pm

Messy Church brings together children (age 0-8) and their parents every 3rd 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.

Prayer and Reflection – Tuesday 6th February @ 11.00am – 12.00pm

This is a monthly meeting which takes place in 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.

Cornerstone – Next meeting on Tuesday 13th February @ 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 11th February @ 12.00pm

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.


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 Wolsoncroft (@ 7pm) will meet next in January on the 24th.
- Friday Home Group with Alwyn Williams (@ 11am) will meet next in January on the 19th.

For further details and to sign up, contact Fr John on: WhatsApp Number +44 7440 597718 or email: vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com

January Retiring Collection – Richmond Young Carers

 The Richmond Young Carers Centre is a charity which supports young supporters by offering advice, information and emotional support. They also offer mentoring programmes, holiday activities, after school groups, peer support etc. This support gives the young people more confidence, they feel more positive, safe and listened to, and they have fun.

For more information visit richmondcarers.org/services/services-for-young-carers.

Worship Services

- Sunday @ 10am – Holy Communion Service, includes Junior and Youth Church
- Sunday @ 6pm – Evening Prayers (Compline via Zoom)
Meeting ID: 837 7674 9724 Passcode: 186213 ([Click here for the Zoom link](#))
- 3rd Sunday of the month @ 10am – Family and All Age Holy Communion Service
- Friday @10am – Holy Communion Service

For our Prayers



Peace and end of war in Israel-Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and other places of conflict around the world.

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

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Henry Brown, Beatrice Taylor, Charles Godfrey, Vladislaf Tarnopolski, Jim Wild, Betty Wild, Frederick Jenn, Doreen Davis, Claire Pine, Bob Parker, Eric Farlie, Ann Boulden, Bill Charlton, Florence Ocock, Joan Hodge, Robert Knapp, George Barker, Dorothy Botfield, Ronald Groves, and James Dixon.

Diary Dates – January & February 2024		
Tue 16 th Jan	9.40 am 7.00 pm	Strollers Group Outing (<i>meet at Whitton Train Station</i>) PCC Meeting
Thu 18 th Jan – Wed 24 th Jan	————	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
Sat 20 th Jan	10am - 12pm	Messy Church
Sun 21 st Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 3 rd Sunday of Epiphany Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (<i>All Age/Family Service</i>)
Sat 27 th Jan	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 28 th Jan	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 4 th Sunday of Epiphany
Sun 4 th Feb	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 5 th Sunday of Epiphany (Presentation of our Lord)
Tue 6 th Feb	10am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection
Sat 10 th Feb	TBC	Film Night
Diary Dates – Lent & Easter 2024		
Wed 14 th Feb	7.00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Sun 24 th Mar	10.00 am	Palm Sunday Service
Mon 25 th Mar – Wed 27 th Mar	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Way of the Cross
Thu 28 th Mar	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Maundy Thursday Liturgy (includes washing of feet)
Fri 29 th Mar	11.00 am 2.00 pm	CTiW Walk of Witness Good Friday Liturgy (includes Veneration of the cross)
Sun 31 st Mar	6.00 am 10.00 am	Easter Vigil – Service of Light @ Dawn w/ breakfast Parish Eucharist – Easter Sunday

10.00 am Service Duties for January & February 2024				
	<u>14/01/24</u>	<u>21/01/24</u>	<u>28/01/24</u>	<u>04/02/24</u>
Sidespersons	Vicki, Hilda & Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie & Frances	Gill & Beryl
First Reading	Alwyn	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Ben	Bob
Second Reading	Gill		Jo	Dina
Intercessions	Patricia		Limbani	Fiona
Screen & sound	Limbani	Gill	Pauline	Mwila
Tea & Coffee	Denzil & Maria	Harriet, Hilda & Barbara	Rene, Marie & Pauline	Sue, Margaret & Pat