

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON
SUNDAY 14th May 2023

CHURCH NEWS

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

6th Sunday of Easter



The Promise of the Holy Spirit

“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.”

(John 14:18-20)

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 17.22-31



Second Reading – 1 Peter 3.13 – end

Gospel Reading – John 14.15-21

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

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Strollers – Next Walk on Wednesday 17th May; meet @09:40am at Whitton Station

This outing, weather permitting, will be a walk in Richmond Park. The walk will start at Pembroke Lodge at 10:30am and may include a walk to Isabella Plantation for a picnic lunch and a visit to the coffee stop near Pen Ponds. Please bring a picnic lunch and come to Whitton Station for the 09:50am service to Richmond then the 371 bus to Richmond Hill Park entrance. Those driving themselves may want to park at Pembroke Lodge.

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 pdewinton@aol.com for further information.*

Annual Parochial Council Meeting (APCM) - Sunday 21st May @ 11.15am

If you feel called to serve on PCC, or Deanery Synod, or as Warden, please prayerfully consider to be nominated now for election at the APCM. *If you are unsure speak to Fr John or send him an email or text message.*

St Augustine of Canterbury Day – 26th May

Our Patronal Saint Day falls on 26th May each year, but because of our planned Anniversary celebrations, we will not be marking the Patronal day this year.

However, St Paul's Cathedral is offering special prayers for us on Friday 26th May during their services at 8.00am, 12.30pm and 5.00pm. The Chaplain at the Cathedral would be delighted to reserve seats and welcome a group or any number of people from our church. *Please let Fr John know by Thursday 18th May if you are interested in attending the 5.00pm Even Song (service) on that day.*

Quiz Night – Saturday 3rd June @ 7pm (Doors open at 6:45pm)

As part of our 65th Anniversary Celebrations, we are hosting a Quiz night. Tickets are £10 per person and teams should be made up of 6 people or less. The ticket price includes a Ploughman's and Pudding. Doors will open at 6:45pm.

Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 11th June @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 13th June @ 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.

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 residentials. 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*

65th Anniversary Celebrations (1958 - 2023)

We are committing the month of June to celebrating the 65th Anniversary of our church building. There will be various activities running throughout the month, including a Quiz night, Garden Party/Summer Fair, Children's concert, and a Celebration Service.

On Wednesdays and the last Saturday in June the church will be open from 10.30am - 12.30pm and 2pm - 4pm to welcome members, visitors and those keen to find out more about our church, our activities, and our history.

Details of the event dates and times can be found in Diary Dates on Page 5.

Confirmation Preparations

Two candidates have registered for confirmation lessons, which begin in July. Confirmation itself will take place on 1st October 2023 at All Saints Church Hampton at 4.00pm. If you or your child (minimum 11 Years old) wishes to be confirmed or you have any questions, *please speak to Fr John, or drop him a line 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.

Friday Home Group with Alwyn W (@ 11.00am) will meet on the following dates:

- May: 19th
- June: 2nd, 16th & 30th
- July: 14th & 28th

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.

May & June Retiring Collection – Otakar Kraus Music Trust (OKMT)

The Otakar Kraus Music Trust is a London-based organisation established in 1991 to offer music therapy to individuals of all ages who are struggling with physical, psychological, learning, behavioural, or emotional challenges.



OKMT's mission is to ensure that every child and adult has access to affordable music therapy in the community, help improve their well-being and quality of life through creative and participatory music making. *For more information visit okmtrust.org.uk.*

Dementia Action Week (DAW) 2023 – 15th – 21st May

Dementia Action Week is Alzheimer's Society's biggest and longest-running awareness campaign which this year focuses on early diagnosis. DAW is an opportunity for individuals as well as businesses to take action to improve the lives of people living with dementia. There will be various activities and events taking place in the borough of Richmond during this week.

Event details are available on [Page 6](#) of this Newsletter.

For more information on Dementia Friendly Communities Richmond and Dementia Action Week call Marie-Therese Keegan on 020 8744 1965 or email dementiafriendly@ageukrichmond.org.uk. Also visit: ageukrichmond.org.uk and alzheimers.org.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, Jeremy Short, Anne Hickmott, Willem Cheng, Richard and Theresa Scriven, Anne Newman, Joan Greening and Emily Adams.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: John Dixon, Phyllis Wakefield, Lily Doyle, Laura Eastick, Maria dela Rosa, George Lambert, Frederick Climpson, Bernard Dalrymple, Joan Trimbee, May Burke, Edward Thorogood, William Every, Peggy Turner and Marjorie Beck.

Diary Dates – May 2023		
Wed 17 th May	09.40 am	Strollers Group Outing (meet @ Whitton Train Station)
Thu 18 th May	7.00 pm	Ascension Day Service
Sun 21 st May	10.00 am 11.15 am	Parish Eucharist – 7 th Sunday of Easter (All Age/Family Service) Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APMC)
Sat 27 th May	TBC	Strollers Group Outing
Sun 28 th June	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Pentecost Sunday
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 May 2023			
	<u>14/05/23</u>	<u>21/05/23</u>	<u>28/05/23</u>
Sidespersons	Vicki P, Hilda P, Gerald P	Jayne F, Pauline C & Graham B	Rob D, Connie C, Frances T
First Reading	Frances T	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Kerry D
Second Reading	Fiona W		Alwyn W
Intercessions	Dina B		Limbani K
Screen & sound	Limbani K	Roubina d W	Pauline C
MC	_____	_____	_____
Crucifer	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 1	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 2	_____	_____	_____
Tea & Coffee	Denzil D & Maria D	Rene K, Marie C & Pauline C	Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S

**Asking the
same question
over and over again.
over and over again.
over and over again.**

**It's not called
getting old, it's
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"Memories Monday" Afternoon Coffee – Monday 15th May

For people living with Dementia and their carers – food, music, activities and chat. In collaboration with YMCA, The White House.

- @YMCA, White House, Hampton, TW12 3RN
- 12pm to 1.30pm
- *To book please call **020 8979 1884***

"Forget-Me-Not" Afternoon Tea – Tuesday 16th May

A pop-up dementia café for people living with Dementia and their carers – food, music, activities and chat. In collaboration with Multicultural Richmond.

- @Whitton Social Centre, 111a Kneller Road, TW2 7DT
- 2pm to 4pm
- *To book please call Surinder on **020 8894 4963** or Marie-Therese on **020 8744 1965***

Pop-up Information Stall – Wednesday 17th May

Age UK Richmond, Alzheimer's Society Richmond and Dementia Friendly Richmond will have an information pop-up stand all day at Richmond and Hillcroft Adult Community College. Sara Wilcox from Pathways through Dementia will join us too. Don't miss the opportunity to pop in for a chat.

- @RHACC, Parkshot, Richmond, TW9 2RE
- 10am to 3pm

Lasting Power of Attorney Workshop – Friday 19th May

Workshop and discussion with Sara Wilcox from Pathways through Dementia

- @Twickenham Wellbeing Centre, Arragon Rd, TW1 3NH
- 2pm to 4pm
- *Last few spaces available - to book please call Marie-Therese on **020 88744 1965***

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