

**ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON**  
**SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

# Church NEWS

St. Augustine Church, Whitton, Hospital Bridge Road, Twickenham, TW2  
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## Confirmation Service & Harvest Thanksgiving



Harvest is a time when we remember God as creator and thank Him for the whole creation and the good things He provides. It is not only a time to thank God but also a time to raise awareness of the hunger that exists around the world and in communities close to us. St Augustine of Canterbury and many churches do this annually at a Harvest Thanksgiving service where members of the congregation bring gifts of food and flowers to decorate the church. Afterwards these gifts are given to a charity (or charities) for the support of the needy in the neighbourhood.



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### **First Reading – Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

### **Second Reading – Philippians 4:4-9**

### **Gospel Reading – John 6:25-35**

When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat."' Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'



## Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II



The nation and the Commonwealth community are in mourning of the death of our beloved Queen Elizabeth II, whose long selfless leadership and sense of duty (among many attributes) we give thanks to God for. Faith in Jesus Christ was at the very heart of her life and leadership. We hold in our prayers King Charles III and the rest of the Royal Family members.

## David Alldridge

### **Funeral and Thanksgiving Service – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September @2:40pm**

We have learnt with sadness the death of David Alldridge last Sunday morning. David has been a leadership figure in the community as well as in the church for many years. We mourn his passing and give thanks to God for his life and role in the church and community. David will be dearly missed but his legacy will live on. Our prayers for Kay and her family in this difficult period.

## Peter Greening

### **Funeral and Thanksgiving Service – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October @11:00am**

Most of us are aware of the passing of Peter Greening at the beginning of last week. Peter has been a beloved husband, a father, a grandfather, a friend, a committed follower of Jesus, whose life was full of laugh and love, a generous sense of humour and always positive about life. We give thanks to God for the gift Peter was not only to his family but to the church community, and the wider community and nation. We hold in our prayers Joan and her family.

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## Confirmation

We give thanks for the confirmation by Bishop Graham Tomlin this Sunday of the following people: Rosie Escoffery, Matilda Escoffery, Agape Magona, Timothy Magona, Gideon Luyombya, Gerald Pratt, Lois Luyombya, George Saunders & Abigail Harris

## The Director of Music

Our Director of Music, Dominic Veal, is leaving at the end of November to take up a music role in Central London. This has come after a lot of reflection by Dominic and considerations of travel, other work projects, and family commitments. You will no doubt be sad to hear this news but let us be thankful for Dominic's dedication and commitment. There will be opportunity to express our thanks closer to Dominic's final day.

## September's Retiring Collection

This month's retiring collection is for the Leprosy Mission. The Leprosy Mission are a global Christian organization who help lead the fight against leprosy. For more information, please visit [leprosymission.org.uk](http://leprosymission.org.uk); leaflets explaining the work of the Mission are also available at the back of the church.

## Upcoming Wedding Service

Please pray for Jo & Simon who are getting married this month.

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### **Strollers – Next Walk on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

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, as we aim for fellowship combined with mild exercise in pleasant surroundings. *Please contact [pdewinton@aol.com](mailto:pdewinton@aol.com) for further information.*

### **Cornerstone – Next meeting on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October @ 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.

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## Weekday Services

We regret to let you know that the Weekdays worship services held on Tuesday and Friday are temporary 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, Arthur Doughty, Stella Cheng, Aiden Littrell, Jeremy Short, Peter Greening, Alison Griffiths, Rosemary Styles and Fr John.

Recently Departed: David Alldridge and Peter Greening.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Elizabeth Blackwell, Elizabeth Waite, Robin Rogers (Pr), Charles Watkins, Guy Hopley, Maureen King, Grace Cole, Jack Cridge, Frances Hines, Benda Jervis, Les Tanner, Darcy Hamilton, Walter Frewin, Sylvie Robinson, Mary Saxon-Snell, David McKenzie, Reginald Hills, Joan Maylor, Janet and Johnson Hoffner and Dorothy Laird.

| <b>Diary Dates – September 2022</b>              |                     |                                                                                                      |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tue 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept                        | —                   | PCC Meeting                                                                                          |
| Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept                        | TBC                 | Strollers Group Outing                                                                               |
| Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept                        | 10.00 am            | Parish Eucharist – 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity                                             |
| Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Sept                        | 2.40 pm             | David Alldridge Funeral & Thanksgiving service                                                       |
| Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct                          | 11.00 am            | Peter Greening Funeral & Thanksgiving service                                                        |
| Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct                          | 10.00 am            | Parish Eucharist – 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity                                             |
| Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct                          | 10.00 am<br>2.00 pm | Parish Eucharist – 17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity<br>YGT – Youth Get Together (@ Church Hall) |
| Tue 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct                         | 2.30 pm             | Cornerstone (in church)                                                                              |
| Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct                         | 10.00 am            | Parish Eucharist – 18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity<br>(Family/All age service)                 |
| <b>Diary Dates – Important Dates 2022</b>        |                     |                                                                                                      |
| Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct                         | 10.00 am            | All Saints' Day Service                                                                              |
| Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov                          | TBC                 | Fireworks Display Night                                                                              |
| Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov                         | 10.00 am            | Christ the King Service                                                                              |
| <b>Diary Dates – Advent &amp; Christmas 2022</b> |                     |                                                                                                      |
| Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov                         | 6.30 pm             | Advent Sunday and Advent Carols                                                                      |
| Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec                          | 2.00 pm             | Winter Fair                                                                                          |
| Sat 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec                         | 4.00 pm             | Nativity Play                                                                                        |
| Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec                         | 6.30 pm             | Christmas Carols by Candlelight                                                                      |
| 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 September 2022

| Date     | Sidespersons                | First Reading | Second Reading | Intercessions | Tea & Coffee                         |
|----------|-----------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|
| 25/09/22 | Rob D, Connie C & Frances T | John W        | Vicki P        | Roubina d W   | Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S            |
| 02/10/22 | Gill G & Beryl L            | Patricia H    | Frances T      | Bob W         | Jack H, Clare H, Barbara M & Hilda P |
| 09/10/22 | Vicki P, Hilda P & Gerald P | Dina B        | Rob D          | Alwyn W       | Kathy B, Frances T & Sue T           |
| Date     | Screen & sound              | MC            | Crucifer       | Acolyte 1     | Acolyte 2                            |
| 25/09/22 | Limbani K                   | Jane D        | Roubina d W    | Christine H   | Michael B                            |
| 02/10/22 | Alwyn W                     | Jane D        | —              | —             | —                                    |
| 09/10/22 | Pauline C                   | Jane D        | —              | —             | —                                    |



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