# ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023

# CHURCH NEWS

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

## 14th Sunday of Trinity



#### Love for One Another

"Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law... and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law." – Romans 13:8-10

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 12.1-14

#### Second Reading - Romans 13.8-end



#### Gospel Reading – Matthew 18.15-20

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

#### A Word from the Vicar

"Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law." (Romans 13:8)

We live at a time and context when/where borrowing is an avoidable for many but also banks encourage people to borrow in order to maintain a positive credit record.

So, owing "no one anything" is impossible for many. But I believe Paul is making an important point that our inter-personal relationships must be characterised by the highest debt, that is, our 'value for others and one another', because that is what fulfils commandment to love God and love neighbour.

Trusting everyone is keeping cool in this heatwave and enjoying the son while it lasts. Shalom

## Cornerstone - Next meeting on Tuesday 12th September @ 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.

## **Strollers** – Next Walk on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September; Meet @ 09.40am at Whitton Train Station

This outing will be about a 3.5 mile walk in London. The route will start from Knightsbridge to Holland Park taking in a bit of Hyde Park, The Serpentine and then Kensington High Street into Holland Park and thence Holland Park underground station for the return. Please bring a packed lunch and meet at Whitton Station for the 09.51 am service, followed by taking the underground into town.

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.

## Messy Church - Saturday 16th September 2023 @ 10.00am - 12.00pm

Messy Church brings together children and their parents 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!

## Prayer and Reflection - Tuesday 3rd October @ 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.

## Youth Get Together (YGT) - Next meeting on Sunday 8th October @ 2.00pm

On the 2nd Sunday of each month the Youth (students from Year 5 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.

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#### Funeral Notice - Mrs Dorothy Turton

Dorothy Turton is known to some of us in the church as she used to worship here some years back.

Dorothy passed on at her daughter's home in Sunbury and the Thanksgiving Service will be held here on Tuesday 12th September at 12.30pm. *Please speak to Fr John for further details.* 

### **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 on 20<sup>th</sup> September.
- Friday Home Group with Alwyn Williams (@ 11.00am) will meet next in September on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

For further details and to sign up, contact Fr John on:
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## **Confirmation Preparations**

Confirmation preparations are scheduled on the following dates:

• September – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 10.00 am

Confirmation will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 at All Saints Church Hampton at 4.00pm. *If you have any questions, please speak to Fr John, or drop him a line by email or phone.* 

#### **Hampton Deanery Clergy Licensing**

Let us pray for the following clergy to be licensed in our deanery as follows:

- Installation of Fr David Cloake as Vicar of St Mary with St Alban's, Teddington on the 11th of September.
- Installation of Rev'd Simon Couper as Vicar of Holy Trinity, Twickenham Green on 17th of October.
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### **September Retiring Collection – The Fabric Fund**

The Fabric Fund is a fund that maintains St. Augustine's Church.

The PCC is responsible for the bricks and mortar, the furniture, what's inside and what's outside of the church. As you can imagine, a building as big as St. Augustine's, needs a lot of funds to maintain it yearly.

This is our church, and we have to keep it in tip top condition for us and for future generations who will worship here. This is why the September collection is for the fabric of this church. Please give as generously as you can.

#### **Weekday Services**

We have Morning Prayers every Friday at 10.00am 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.

<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, Sian Davies and Sylvia.

Recently Departed: Linda Wills and Dorothy Turton

<u>This week we remember the anniversary of the death of</u>: Anderew & Jennifer Collins, Roman McCarthy, Arthur Doughty, Edgar Dawes, Dorothy Percy, David Alldridge, Ernest Harris, Winifred Bishop, Geoffrey Fisher, Pamela Evans, Patricia Steele and Leslie Powell.

Diary Dates – September 2023					
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	12.30 pm	Dorothy Turton – Thanksgiving Service			
	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)			
Thu 14th Sept	09.40 am	Strollers Group Outing			
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10am - 12pm	Messy Church			
	6.30 pm	Film Night (Sister Act II)			
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity			
		(All Age/Family Service)			
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Trinity			
Sat 30th Sept	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
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 September & October 2023					
	10/09/23	<u>17/09/23</u>	24/09/23	01/10/23	
Sidespersons	Vicki, Hilda, Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham	Rob, Connie, Frances	Gill & Beryl	
First Reading	Rob	Family Service  – Junior & Youth Church	John	Dina	
Second Reading	Gill		Sue	Gill	
Intercessions	Vicki		Kathy	Kay	
Screen & sound	Gill	Alwyn	Pauline	Limbani	
MC					
Crucifer					
Acolyte 1					
Acolyte 2					
Tea & Coffee	Sue, Margaret & Pat	Jack, Clare, Barbara & Hilda	Kathy, Frances & Sue	Denzil & Maria	