

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON

Sunday 29th October 2023

CHURCH NEWS

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

Last Sunday after Trinity



The Greatest Commandment

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” – Matthew 22:37-39

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 – Leviticus 19.1-2, 15-18



The Lord spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

You shall not render an unjust judgement; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the Lord.

You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the Lord.

Second Reading – 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8

Gospel Reading – Matthew 22.34-end

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'" This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.' He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet'"?'

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?' No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions..

Fireworks Display – Saturday 4th 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!

Prayer and Reflection – Tuesday 7th 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 10th 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 11th November @ 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.*

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.

Strollers – Next Walk on Wednesday 15th November

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 for further information.*

Messy Church – Saturday 18th November 2023 @ 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. Come and have fun!

Quiz & Curry Night – Saturday 18th November @ 6.45pm (Doors open at 6.15pm)

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 eight members. Tickets are £10 per person (this includes the food).

To book a table contact Sue Thornton on 07939 129293 or email staugustine.whittion@hotmail.com.

Winter Fair – Saturday 2nd December @ 2.00pm

Join us at our Christmas Fair to enjoy different fun activities, food and drink including the following: Tea, Cake, Raffle, Crafts, Tombola, Children’s games, Pick a key Chocolate tombola, Jigsaw games & toys, Mulled wine and Home produce.



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 November on the 8th and 22nd.
- Friday Home Group with Alwyn Williams (@ 11.00am) will meet next in November on the 3rd and 17th.

For further details and to sign up, contact Fr John on:

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Vicar on Leave

The vicar is on leave and is expected back for the All Souls worship service on Thursday 2nd November at 6.30pm. *For any pastoral needs please contact the Church Wardens.*

Funeral Notice – Charles Deakin

Further to the sad news of the death of Charles Deakin we are now able to share the following information:

In early November there will be a private family cremation for Charles. The family has also planned to hold a joint service giving thanks for the lives of both Charles and Charles' late wife Pam (who died in April 2020). The service will be at St Augustine's church at 12pm on Thursday 30 November 2023.

The members of the congregation that knew Pam and Charles are invited to a sandwich lunch after the service at the Royal Mid Surrey Golf Club, Richmond, TW9 2SB. *Those wishing to attend, are asked to please rsvp to Miranda Deakin-Woof (daughter) and Peter Deakin (son) on deakinmiranda@hotmail.com and peterdeakin24@hotmail.com.*

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 eventbrite.co.uk/e/whitton-heathfield-and-west-twickenham-community-conversation-tickets-735816325437.

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.

For more details visit the new webpage at ageuk.org.uk/richmonduponthames/get-involved/dementia-support.

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 homelinkdaycare.co.uk. For all service enquiries, please call **Julie or Rachel** on 0208 255 1992. 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](#))
- 3rd 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.

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, Mavis Walter and Sylvia.

Recently Departed: Charles Deakin and Sian Davies.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Peter Smith, Peter Cain, Albert Bezant, Elizabeth Davis, John Hardy, John Butler, Kenneth White, Ivy Smith, Tracy Brown, Edmund Slaughter, Constance Cuthbert, Ipsy Warren, Arthur Rickbell, Michael Lock, Malcolm Atkins, Roger Brunskill, George Bailey, John Montier, Rita Shenton, Margaret Chester, Roy Crouch and Rico Gopie.

Diary Dates – November 2023		
Thu 2 nd Nov	6.30 pm	All Souls Day Service (Commemoration of the Faithful Departed)
Sat 4 th Nov	6.00 pm	Fireworks Display Night
Sun 5 th Nov	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – All Saints Day (4 th Sunday before Advent)
Tue 7 th Nov	10am - 12pm	Prayer and Reflection
Sun 12 th Nov	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Remembrance Sunday (3 rd Sunday before Advent)
	12.00 pm	YGT – Youth Get Together (Church Hall)
Tue 14 th Nov	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)
Diary Dates – Advent & Christmas 2023		
Sat 2 nd Dec	2.00 pm	Winter Fair
Sun 3 rd Dec	10.00 am	Advent Sunday Service
	6.30 pm	Advent Carols
Sun 17 th Dec	6.30 pm	Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Sat 23 rd Dec	4.00 pm	Nativity Play
Sun 24 th Dec	11.00 pm	Midnight Mass (Christmas Eve)
Mon 25 th Dec	10.00 am	Christmas Day Service

10.00 am Service Duties for October & November 2023				
	<u>29/10/23</u>	<u>05/11/23</u>	<u>12/11/23</u>	<u>19/11/23</u>
Sidespersons	Rob, Connie, Frances	Gill & Beryl	Vicki, Hilda, Gerald	Jayne, Pauline & Graham
First Reading	Ben	Alwyn	Ben	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church
Second Reading	Kathy	Dhanani	Vicki	
Intercessions	Graham	Vicki	Fiona	
Screen & sound	Limbani	Gill	Pauline	Gill
MC	_____	_____	_____	_____
Crucifer	_____	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 1	_____	_____	_____	_____
Acolyte 2	_____	_____	_____	_____
Tea & Coffee	Kathy, Frances & Sue	Denzil & Maria	Rene, Marie & Pauline	Sue, Margaret & Pat