ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, WHITTON Monthly Edition – SUNDAY 5th February 2023

Church NEWS

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

February 2023: Monthly Edition



3rd Sunday before Lent

The period between Christmas and Lent is known as Ordinary Time.

During this period, we are encouraged to deepen our prayer life, read the Scriptures, unite more deeply with the Lord in the Eucharist, and grow in our daily discipleship.

It is in some way a time of preparation for the season of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday, this year on 22nd February.



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February 2023 Readings

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Gospel Reading
05/02/23	Isaiah 58.1-12	1 Corinthians 2.1-end	Matthew 5.13-20
12/02/23	Genesis 1.1-2.3	Romans 8.18-25	Matthew 6.25-end
19/02/23	Exodus 24.12-end	2 Peter 1.16-end	Matthew 17.1-9
22/02/23	Isaiah 58.1-12	2 Corinthians 5.20b-6.10	Matthew 6.1-6, 16-21
26/02/23	Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7	Romans 5.12-19	Matthew 4.1-11

Youth Get Together (YGT) – Next meeting on Sunday 12th February @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 14th 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.

Strollers – Next Walk on Wednesday 15th February

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. *Please contact pdewinton@aol.com* for further information.

Home Groups

We have three homes that will host home groups starting shortly after Ash Wednesday (22nd February 2023). 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.

Home Groups will take place on the suggested days as follows:

- Kay Alldridge: Tuesday or Thursday at 7.30pm (beginning on 9th March 2023)
- Fiona & John Wolsoncroft: Wednesday at 7.30pm (beginning on 1st March 2023)
- Alwyn Williams: Friday at 11.00am except 24th & 3rd March when it's at 2.00pm (beginning on 24th February 2023)

Please sign up as soon as possible at the back of the church or send your preference to WhatsApp Number +44 7407 246686 or email: vicarofstaugustinewhitton@aol.com

January & February Retiring Collection – Homelink



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 provides a happy and vibrant environment where people can enjoy each other's company through stimulating activities. This is a vital support to carers in desperate need of respite, which in turn leads to reduced isolation and an overall improvement in wellbeing.

World Day of Prayer 2023: A Service for Everyone – Friday 3rd March @ 11:00am; Ss Michael and Martin Church, Hounslow, TW3 3EH

The World Day of Prayer is a global movement of informal worship and prayerful action, organised and led by Christian women. This year the service has been written by the women of Taiwan and they provide an opportunity to come and learn more about them.

Everyone is welcome and we hope that you will join us in celebrating the World Day of Prayer. *Leaflets and posters with further information can be found in church.*

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



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, Stella Cheng, Aiden Littrell, Jeremy Short, Rosemary Styles, Anne Hickmott, Sister Eileen Caple, Willem Cheng, Gwilym Jones, James Derry, Rebecca and, Richard and Teresa Scriven.

Recently Departed: John Edser, Kaye Claxton, Berni Goodsell and Iris Osbourne.

This week we remember the anniversary of the death of: Maud McClean, Brenda Penson, Mary Bezant, Mabel Nott, Jeanne Hickey, Vera Vincer, Alexander Mackie, Mary Pocock, Elfriede Sims, Lucy Griffen, George Neather, Eve Ledger, Phyllis Williams, Evan and Miriam Lloyd, Ida Jenner, Maud Hurley, Joan Philpott, Mollie Walter, Marjorie Challis, and Joan Dale.

Diary Dates –February 2023					
Sun 12 th Feb 10.00 am		Parish Eucharist – 2 nd Sunday before Lent			
	2.00 pm	YGT – Youth Get Together (@ Church Hall)			
Tue 14 th Feb	2.30 pm	Cornerstone (in church)			
Wed 15 th Feb	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sun 19 th Feb	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Sunday before Lent (All Age/Family			
		Service)			
Sat 25 th Feb	TBC	Strollers Group Outing			
Sun 26 th Feb	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – 1 st Sunday of Lent			
Diary Dates - Lent & Easter 2023					
Wed 22 nd Feb	7.00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service			
Sun 2 nd April	10.00 am	Palm Sunday Service			
Mon 3 rd April	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Way of the Cross			
Tue 4 th April	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Way of the Cross			
Wed 5 th April	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Way of the Cross			
Thu 6 th April	7.00 pm	Holy Week – Maundy Thursday Liturgy (includes			
		washing of feet)			
Fri 7 th April	11.00 am	CTiW Walk of Witness			
	2.00 pm	Good Friday Liturgy (includes the Veneration of the			
		cross)			
Sun 9 th April	6.00 am	Easter Vigil – Service of Light @ Dawn with breakfast			
	10.00 am	Parish Eucharist – Easter Sunday			

10.00 am Service Duties for February 2023

	12/02/23	19/02/23	22/02/31 (Ash Wednesday)	26/02/31
			(ASIT Wednesday)	
Sidespersons	Vicki P, Hilda P, Gerald P	Jayne F, Pauline C & Graham B		Rob D, Connie C, Frances T
First Reading	Gill G	Family Camina	Peter d W	Bob W
Second Reading	Jo D	Family Service – Junior & Youth Church	Sue A	Roubina d W
Intercessions	Graham D	Toutil Chalch	Alwyn W	Kathy B
Screen & sound	Roubina d W	Pauline C	Limbani K	Gill G
MC	Jane D	Jane D	Jane D	Jane D
Crucifer	Christine H	Charles D	Roubina d W	Michael B
Acolyte 1	Simon	Roubina d W	Christine H	Roubina d W
Acolyte 2	James	Michael B	Charles D	Christine H
Tea & Coffee	Sue A, Margaret G & Pat S	Jack H, Clare H, Barbara M & Hilda P		Kathy B, Frances T & Sue T