

St. Augustine's Church

As always, any problems with the newsletter, or any information to go into it, please let me know. Thanks.

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APCM

Many of you were not able to be at our APCM and those who were will have noticed that among all the thanks one was missing. We did not take the opportunity to thank Lisa for her leadership during the past year. As was noted, we have had a positive and so often inspiring year, and many of the high points were due to Lisa's joyous leadership. We are sure all the congregation would want to thank her. We look forward with enthusiasm to the challenges she will present to us during our next church year.

Jenny C & Jenny W, Churchwardens

St Augustine's Day Services

We will be having a joint celebration for St Augustine's day together with St Augustine's school on Sunday 17th May. The service of celebration will be in church, at our 10am service, and children from the school will help to lead the service. This service will not be a service of Holy Communion, but there will be a Communion service at 8am on that Sunday.

Grown too many seedlings? Share them!

The fruit and veg barrow will be outside St Augustine's Church on Tuesday 28th April, 5th and 12th May. Bring your spare fruit and vegetable seedlings (labelled please) any time from 8 am and take what you can grow. Flower seedlings and early fruit and vegetables also welcome. No seedlings? Then take what you can plant anyway. No money involved!

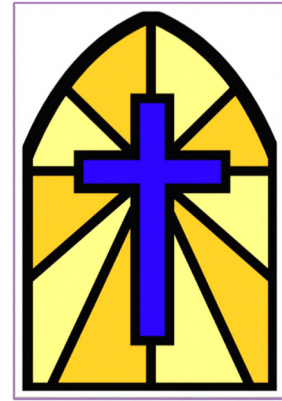
The fruit and veg share will be back in the summer. *Organised by Scaynes Hill Sustainability Group*

For further information call Helen Hicks on 831989

Family Support Work.

I feel it is time for me to pass on the position of parish representative for FSW to someone younger and am looking for a volunteer to take my place! Please would you all think hard about this and let Lisa or me know if you can help. I have enjoyed my 29 years on the job and it is a lovely friendly committee to be on but I am lacking the energy I used to have to support all the activities.

Sheila.



Upcoming Events

April 30

TearFund Launch in Lindfield

April 26th Easter 4 Readings

Isaiah 49: 5-7

Acts 1: 1-11

Luke 1: 1 - 4

Catherine Tibbott died peacefully in the hospice on Tuesday, surrounded by her family. Details of the funeral service will be confirmed in the next few days. Please continue to pray for Catherine's family as they grieve.

Prayer Diary

TEACH ME YOUR WAYS O LORD

MONDAY

Dear Lord, teach me to pray. Help me to love and treasure time spent in prayer and like Jesus, know when it is time to withdraw from the busyness of life to talk with my Father in heaven.

TUESDAY

Teach me to worship dear Lord, for this is what we were created to do, you are so worthy of my time and attention, show me how to integrate worship in my prayer life, my walking, my daily activities, as I wake and as I go to sleep.

WEDNESDAY

Teach me dear Lord to have a grateful heart, especially when the news is full of disaster, fear and cynicism. May praise be on my lips and in my heart as I stop to count my blessings, as I see your hand at work, as I look at your creation and care for mankind.

THURSDAY

Teach me Lord to be loving, and how that can be worked out in my life. May I choose love over irritation, impatience, frustration, prayerful concern for those who are ill, acts of kindness, grace and gentleness, knowing you see it all.

FRIDAY

Teach me to grow Lord, in all these ways and more, that I would not be an old "child" but mature in character and spirit. May I not settle in one place but keep walking the journey with you, growing in faith and confidence.

SATURDAY

Teach me to love your Word, to read the Bible and understand more about you through it. May I think about it, pray about it and listen to the Holy Spirit speaking your word to my heart.

SUNDAY

Teach me to be still Lord, to stop activity, to cease my worried anxious thoughts, to turn off television, computer, all distractions, to be still and know that you are God and this is more than enough.

AMEN

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Ladies Fellowship – May

Unfortunately, we will have to cancel our Ladies' meeting on May 9th...but please put our June meeting on your calendars.

Saturday June 13th we will have a breakfast, starting at 9am in the Annex. Our speaker will be Christine Wheatley from Global Poverty Project. We will put a sign-up sheet out closer to the time. Updated Ladies' Fellowship calendars will also be out soon – look for them at the back of church!

Tearfund Campaign Launch – Lindfield

All Saints Church will be hosting a launch for the new Tearfund campaign on Thursday 30th April at 7:30 pm. Further information can be found on the website:

<http://www.allsaintslindfield.org/tearfund-evening---ordinary-heroes.html>

Moment Women's Day Conference at TKC

On Saturday 9th May 2015 The King's Church in Burgess Hill is hosting a day conference with worship led by Sam & Rebekah Cox. Main speakers Beth Redman, Julia Immonen and Jim Partridge, with seminar sessions too.

Tickets are £20 for the day, with concessions available for under 18's and seniors.

To book, or for more information please go to

www.tkc.org.uk or phone 01444 244215

Home Groups: Please contact the Home Group leaders to check meeting dates if you would like to attend. Usual patterns of meeting are listed but subject to change.

Groups scheduled to meet this week are highlighted:

Home Group Changes:

Heather Place: no HG on 29 April. We will meet again on 6 May at 8.15 - many thanks.

Tuesday 8 pm, fortnightly

Mike & Di Harding (2 New Heritage Way)

Thursday 8 pm alternate weeks

Kerry & Mark Jones (Currently meeting at 38 Orchard Close)

Gaynor Deal (38 Orchard Close)

1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 8:15 pm

Sue & Clive Welland (Heather Place)

2nd & 4th Thursdays 10:30 am

Derek Paine (Church Annexe)

MISSION FOCUS April St Peter & St James Hospice

We pray this month for all involved with St. Peter & St. James Hospice. For more details of their work, see the notice board at the back of church, or talk to Maggie.