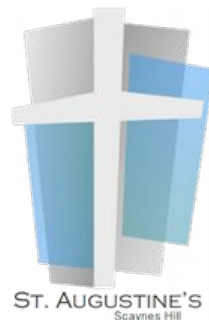


# St Augustine's Church

## Newsletter

Sunday 5th February 2017 – Lent –4

**Services and events this week**



### **This Sunday**

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am All-Age Communion Teddy Bear Service



### **Monday 6th February**

12.30 pm Funeral of Bertie Newall

### **Tuesday 7th February**

10.00 am Anchor Coffee Shop

12.00 noon Midday Prayers

7.30 pm Home Group – *Barn End, Newick*

### **Wednesday 8th February**

6.30 pm Community Choir practice at the school

8.15 pm Home Group – *Heather Place*

### **Thursday 9th February**

10.30 am Home Group – *Annexe*

8.00 pm Home Group – *38 Orchard Close*

### **Friday 10th February**

7.30 pm Youth Club

### **Saturday 11th February**

10.00 am Deanery Day – Church of the Ascension

### **Next Sunday, 12th February**

10.00 am Parish Communion – *crèche available*

3.30 pm Family Fun followed by picnic tea

*This week's Bible Reading:*

Zephaniah 3: 16–17 page 895

## **Ladies' Fellowship**

This year's events will be scheduled a little bit differently, so here are the main dates for your diaries:

- 18th March      Breakfast with Speaker – 9 am in the Annexe
- 8th July         Garden Tea Party (time and place to be confirmed)
- 14th October    Breakfast and craft activity – 9 am in the Annexe
- 9th December   Christmas Bring and Share Lunch – 12 noon in the Annexe

We hope to fill in with some other more spontaneous events sprinkled throughout the year – if you have any suggestions, we'd love to hear them!

*Di, Karen & Gaynor*

## **Bertie Newall**

Bertie's funeral will be held in the church at 12.30 pm tomorrow, Monday 6th February. All are welcome to the service and to join the family at Tythe Cottage, Walstead, after the service.

## **Thursday Morning 'Home' Group – Lent Course**

The Thursday Morning 'Home' Group will be meeting in the Church Annexe on the following dates, starting at 10.30 am:

9th & 23rd February

9th & 23rd March

6th & 20th April

Any newcomers will be very welcome. We are planning to use the Diocese of Chichester Lent course for the Year of the Bible.

Please note that, as we meet fortnightly, we shall commence the course with Session 1 on **9th February** so that, hopefully, we can complete five of the six sessions before Easter (16th April).

*Derek Paine*

## **Family Support Work**



The annual FSW Spring Supper will be held on Friday 17th March at Wivelsfield Village Hall. This is St Patrick's Day, so Irish Stew will be on the menu. Tickets, which include the meal and entertainment, cost £13.50 and will be available nearer the time.

There is a limited number available so please let me know if you would like any tickets.

*Jenny Walker*

### **A Date for your Diary**

We'll be holding an Easter Holiday club morning on Wednesday 12th April. Please put the date in your diary! More information will be available nearer the time. However, we will need extra pairs of hands to help with setting up, clearing up and refreshments, etc. If anyone is able to help on the day that would be hugely appreciated!

*Emily*

### **Men's Breakfast – Saturday 18th February**

Do put this date in your diary, as our own Mark Brunet is the speaker and will share something of his own exploration of faith. He has chosen the title "Why I think that theology is unimportant", which no doubt will get us guessing what he means by such a statement.



We will be back in the Annexe, starting at 8.30 am with the usual full English breakfast costing £5. All men are welcome – please sign up on the sheet in the Annexe.

*Mike*

### **Deanery Day**

A Deanery Day on the theme of the Bible will be held next Saturday, 11th February, at 10 am at the Church of the Ascension in Vale Road, Haywards Heath. The day will be led by Bishop Richard Jackson. These Deanery days have been very inspiring in the past, so do consider going.

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Holy God,

You have shown us through  
your Son and your  
word, how you would  
have us live.

Help us in our desires and  
actions to act justly,  
doing the right thing  
despite what others may  
think.

Help us to love mercy,  
avoiding the excesses of  
faith that damage and  
polarise people, please  
heal those who are  
hurting today.

May we walk in humility  
before you all our days,  
for you alone are  
worthy of all honour  
and glory.

AMEN

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