

Prayer Diary

As part of the Church family you may like to ask for prayer for someone or for yourself and this could be included in the prayer diary. The pastoral link for the diary is Diane Harding, 01825 722113. We will only include someone's name in the prayer diary if they have given permission for us to remember them in our prayers.

This week it is the Women's World Day of Prayer on Friday at 2 pm at St Paul's Church, Haywards Heath. The prayers are from the women of Papua New Guinea and I have used some of them for this week's prayer diary.

SUNDAY

Almighty God our Father, Strengthen the Spirit of unity, peace and love in the lives of your people of different races, cultures and traditions that we who are many, are one body in Christ.

MONDAY

We are grateful for the empowering message of the Gospel, that we are to love one another and we pray for a genuine Christlike love. Please pray for the first Alpha tonight, that people will make good friendships in the coming weeks.

TUESDAY

O God you continuously care for us, protecting, nurturing and sustaining us. You have given us the earth to share with one another. You are our God and we give you thanks. We pray for the School Governors meeting this morning and for this afternoon's first Lent Group.

WEDNESDAY

We thank you Lord for the unity and wholeness of the human body and all our senses whereby we come to know the world and one another. Pray for all those we know who are unwell at present to know a healing touch from God and also the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

THURSDAY

We remember our leaders and thank you Lord for those who lead with diligence, mindful of the good of all and not of their own special interests. We pray for them and for justice in our nation.

FRIDAY

We are a troubled society. All forms of violence continue to rise, Lord on behalf of our people, we ask for forgiveness and healing and that we would not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

SATURDAY

We pray for the services tomorrow, that you will bless Mark as he leads the services and for Jeremy Taylor speaking at Kairos.

Father, may we go forth empowered to make a difference so that people around will see and feel the oneness of Christ in this broken world, and be compelled to draw closer to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

St Augustine's Newsletter

Today's Services

8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Parish Communion
11.00 am	All Age Service

Genesis 9:8-17	Page 10
Psalms 25:1-10	Page 534
1 Peter 3:18-22	Page 1153
Mark 1:9-15	Page 947

This Week's Services & Events

Monday 2nd

4.00 pm	Cathedral Meeting
3.00 pm	FEAST, School
7.30 pm	Alpha Course, Scaynes Hill Club

Tuesday 3rd

9.30 am	Governors' Meeting, School
2.00 pm	Lent Group, Vicarage

Wednesday 4th

12.00 noon	IDWAL
8.00 pm	Lent Group, Heather Place

Thursday 5th

10.30 am	Holy Communion
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Friday 6th

7.30 pm	UFOs
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Sunday 8th

8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Parish Communion with Children's Church
6.00 pm	Kairos

Happy Birthday

to

Sophia von der Becke

who celebrated her 6th Birthday on
Thursday 26th February

Notices

Singers Required!

On the 29th March there will be an evensong service at St Augustine's. It would be great to have a group to help lead the singing. Please have a word with Mark if you would like to be a part of this.

Kairos

The Diocesan Director of Education, Jeremy Taylor, will be joining us again next Sunday for our evening service. Following his thought provoking talk on the consumer culture last autumn, he will be helping us think about some more of our societies obsessions - the title is "Volvo Ergo Sum". Do please come along.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting and Election of Wardens and PCC Members

The APCM will be on Sunday 19th April (Low Sunday) after the 9.30 am service. Alan Cattermole has come to the end of the three years that he undertook to be church warden and so will be standing down at the next APCM. Alan has been a great colleague and I am grateful to him and Jennie for all that they have given to St Augustine's Church over the years. Do please pray that the Lord will raise up a new church warden and other members of the PCC. If you would like to find out what is involved please speak to Mark, Sue or Alan.

Lent Courses

As well as Alpha there will be a daytime and an evening course during Lent. The daytime course will begin on this Tuesday 3rd March at 2.00 pm in the Vicarage. The evening course will be at Heather Place on Wednesdays (beginning on 4th March) at 8.00pm. The course is called "These three... Faith, Hope and Love" and is based on the three great qualities celebrated in 1 Corinthians 13. This famous passage begins and ends in majestic prose. but the middle paragraph is practical and demanding. St Paul's thirteen verses take us to the heart of what it means to be a Christian. Please sign the list at the back of church if you wish to come along to one of the courses.

Alpha Course

We are commencing an Alpha Course this Monday 2nd March at Scaynes Hill Club, to be held weekly for 8 to 10 weeks. This course is an ideal opportunity to find out more about the claims of Jesus Christ, to discuss and ask any questions concerning the Christian faith in an informal setting and to enjoy a meal together. Over two million people have been through an Alpha course in the UK, and the feedback has been positive in thousands of lives. If you would like to come, please put your name on the list at the back of the church. If you have any questions or need transport, phone Mark Payne or Mike on 01825 722113.

Notices

Riverside Fellowship

The next Riverside Fellowship will be on Tuesday 15 March at 10.15 am in the Church. There will be an illustrated talk by Valerie, a member of West Hoathly Church, on the recent visit to Cameroon

Nestlé Books for Schools, Sainsbury's Active Kids & Tesco's Computers for Schools

St Augustine's school are collecting these tokens again this year. There is a box at the back of church and our school would be very grateful if we were able to donate any tokens collected.

Organ

The work to replace the organ's bellows and blower is now in progress and will take another three weeks. During this time we will be using the piano.

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Newsletter

The next newsletter will go to print on **Thursday 5th March** this week. If you have any items that you wish to include, please could you email them to me at:

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or ring them through on 01444 831431.

Many thanks
Debbie