

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.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. We wait in hope for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord even as we put our hope in you. Psalm 33. HOPE is this weeks theme for prayer.

SUNDAY

Psalm 31:24. Be strong and take heart all you who hope in the Lord. We commit this week to you O Lord; today, as we meet with you and each other, help us to discover more of what it means to hope in you.

MONDAY

Romans 15:4. For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. Thank you Father for the freedom to read your Word which is truth, help us to see your word as food that we need to survive, and may we have food to share with others. Please pray for Alpha as we share the living bread at the Scaynes Hill Club.

TUESDAY

Hebrews 10:23. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Thank you for your faithfulness to us dear Father, and may it inspire us to live in confidence in hope of glory. May that hope shine through us to give hope to others.

WEDNESDAY

Psalm 71:5. For you have been my hope, O Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth. Heavenly Father, you created me and have watched over me all the days of my life, when I look back I see evidence of you, when I look forward, my hope is in you.

THURSDAY

Ephesians 1:18. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints and his incomparably great power for us who believe. Help us in our unbelief Jesus, thank you for your intercession for us that we may have clear vision of the hope set before us.

FRIDAY

Lamentations 3:21. Yet this I call to mind and therefore I have hope: because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed for his compassion never fail. For those of us who are stressed, busy, worried, anxious, grant us space to recognise the given moment and help us to reflect and find peace and hope in you.

SATURDAY

Psalm 9:18. But the needy will not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the afflicted ever perish. We praise you for grace to help in time of need, and we remember and pray for all who we know who are going through difficult circumstances – may they have fresh hope.

St Augustine's Newsletter

Today's Services

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Parish Communion with
Children's Church

Please stay for refreshments afterwards

Today's Readings

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| Exodus 20:1-17 | Page 74 |
| 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 | Page 1080 |
| John 2:13-22 | Page 1006 |

This Week's Services & Events

Monday 16th

- 3.00 pm FEAST, School
7.30 pm Alpha Course, Scaynes Hill Club

Tuesday 17th

- 10.15 am Riverside Fellowship
2.00 pm Lent Group, Vicarage

Wednesday 18th

- AM Mark speaking at Study Day
in the Cathedral
8.00 pm Lent Group, Vicarage

Thursday 19th

- 10.30 am Holy Communion

Friday 20th

- 7.30 pm UFO's

Saturday 21st

- 2.00 pm Spring Flower Show, Village Centre

Sunday 22nd – Mothering Sunday

- 8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am Parish Communion with
Children's Church

Name to be Remembered

Sidney Kerry

Notices

Fundraising

Following the recent death of Sarah Brayne anyone at her funeral would have been tremendously moved by the tributes to Sarah and amazed by the work that she did at Chailey Heritage. As a tribute to Sarah and the work done at Chailey Heritage we felt that we wanted to do something that would help them and help more young men and ladies like Sarah. On Saturday 4 April Scaynes Hill Village Club will be hosting a quiz in aid of Chailey Heritage. Entrance to the quiz will be £2.50 per person and includes a buffet. All quiz entrance money will go to Chailey Heritage. On top of that 20p from every drink sold will also go to the fund. We would like to try and raise at least £200. If you can't make the event but would still like to donate then why not sponsor a team for £10? Tickets can be bought from Scaynes Hill Village Club after 7.00 pm Monday to Friday, after 3.00 pm on Saturdays or after 11.00 am on Sundays. For more information ring Nick, Patti or Sue on 01444 831662.

Holy Week Services

Sunday 5th April - Palm Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am All Age Communion
(meet at school at 9.45 am)

Tuesday 7th April

10.30 am Blessing of the Oils
Lancing College

Thursday 9th April – Maundy Thursday

7.00 pm Parish supper and Holy Communion
Church

Friday 10th April – Good Friday

10.00 am All Age Worship
2.00 pm Last hour at the Cross
with Holy Communion

Sunday 12th April – Easter Day

8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am All Age Communion with Baptism

Spring Flower Show

Scaynes Hill Spring Flower Show is at the Village Centre on Saturday 21st March from 2.00 pm. If you would like to enter any of the categories, these are listed in the programme which can be found at the back of the Church or are available from one of the Secretaries. All entries should be registered with the Show Secretaries, Angela Hicks (831599) or Dianne Elliott (831676) by Thursday 19th March.

Many thanks

Notices

Easter Collection

The box will be in the church on 29th March, 5th April and the Easter weekend for contributions for Brighton Voices in Exile. Items which are most useful to them are toiletries, nappies, tea, coffee, sugar, tinned fish or corned beef. We have decided to offer our help to this group again, as we did this Christmas, as they seek to improve social justice amongst this most vulnerable group. Our Archbishop's Council has highlighted the plight of asylum seekers in our country and at this year's Synod we were reminded of the need to care for the vulnerable and marginalised. We collect for them this Easter to answer the Church's calling to care for the week and to welcome strangers.

Churches Together in Haywards Heath & District AGM

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 22nd April at 8 pm in St Augustine's Room, St Paul's Church. As well as the business there will be a talk from Peter Barnes the senior youth worker with Streetmate. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting so please come along and support it.

and a few Reminders....

The next **Riverside Fellowship** will be on Tuesday 17th 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.

St Augustine's school are collecting **Nestlé Books for Schools, Sainsbury's Active Kids, Tesco's Computers for Schools & Flora's Cooking with Schools** 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.

Easter Flowers – Owing to the very cold weather this Winter the traditional Arum lily crop has suffered badly and our supplier cannot provide blooms for us. To purchase such lilies from a retailer would be very expensive. This means that we must make new plans for our church flower arrangements. We shall be using another variety of lily and flowers instead, and hope that parishioners will be happy to donate to the cost of the arrangements in memory of their loved ones. £1 per name to be remembered is suggested. The usual list and envelopes will be the back of the church from 15th March for four Sundays.

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.