

## 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.

Behold, I have received a command to bless. He has blessed and I cannot reverse it. Numbers 23:20

### SUNDAY

Bless the Lord Oh my soul and all that is within me, bless his Holy name. We praise you Lord for all your goodness to us and ask that because we have been so blessed that we would in turn bless you and bless both the good and the bad that we come in to contact with this week.

### MONDAY

Bless our church and our vicar Mark, especially as he travels in Africa. Bless our village of Scaynes Hill. Bless Tom and Emily as they serve our community. Bless our wardens Sue and Ursula. Bless all those on the Alpha course as they meet for the last session tonight.

### TUESDAY

Bless Great Walstead School and all the secondary schools our young people attend. Bless the youth work of Scaynes Hill, especially the leaders who invest their time and energy for this work.

### WEDNESDAY

Bless our Government during this difficult time, bless the media, bless the health service, social services and the armed forces serving at home and abroad. Bless our nation with faith and stability in these uncertain times.

### THURSDAY

Bless St Augustine's School and be with them at their Governors' meeting this evening, bless businesses and all those who have lost their jobs or who have the threat of redundancy, repossession or bankruptcy hanging over them. Bless people with fresh thinking, wisdom and innovation in how to survive the economic downturn.

### FRIDAY

Bless the land that it may be fruitful, bless the farmers that they may farm responsibly and in harmony with your creation. Bless us with thoughtfulness in how we use the earth's resources and may we aim to leave the earth in better shape for those who will come after us.

### SATURDAY

Bless families, bless marriages, bless the lonely, bless those who are sick and in pain, bless friendships, bless volunteers, bless those who feel they have no purpose in life, bless those whose work is a struggle, bless those who feel overloaded.

Thank you Lord that you love us to ask you to bless, because you delight to bless us.

**Amen**

# 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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| Acts 10:44-48 | Page 1043 |
| 1 John 5:1-6  | Page 1161 |
| John 15:9-17  | Page 1023 |

## Welcome

A warm welcome to Rev Barry North who will be taking our 8.00 am and 9.30 am services today.

## This Week's Services & Events

### Wednesday 27th

- 11.00 am Meeting at Chichester

### Thursday 28th

- 10.30 am Holy Communion  
11.00 am Wardens' Meeting

### Saturday 30th

- 8.30 am Women's Breakfast

### Sunday 31st - Pentecost

- 8.00 am Holy Communion  
9.30 am Parish Communion with  
Children's Church  
6.00 pm Songs of Praise

## Names to be Remembered This Week

*William Boden  
Vera Berry*

## Notices

### Holiday Club – 27th to 29th May

This year's holiday club is on the theme WASTEWATCHERS! We'll be learning about the world that God has made but also how we have got things wrong and ways we can get it back closer to how God wants it to be. We'll also be thinking about ourselves; are we living lives that make God happy and what's his plan for sorting out everything in the end? The club is open to all Primary age children and will run Wednesday to Friday, 9.30-11.30 am in the school hall. The cost is £2 per child per day or £5 for the three days. It's going to be loads of fun with games, stories, singing, craft, videos and loads more!!! Booking forms are available through the school or at the back of church.

### Clerk to the School Governors

Our School has a vacancy for Clerk to The Governing Body. This is an important role in supporting the governors and is for approximately 100 hours per year. For more information about the post and for an application pack please contact our Bursar, Nick Powell 01444 831371 or email [bursar@st-augustines.w-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@st-augustines.w-sussex.sch.uk).

### Help Required!

I would be very grateful for any volunteers to help with the holiday club over the May half-term. No prior experience of holiday clubs is required, just a willingness to get involved with some of the fun and games and help the children have a good time. Please speak to me if you are able to help. As you will see below our theme for the children's holiday club is wastewatchers and we're going to be making all sorts of things out of recyclable materials. If anyone over the next couple of weeks has newspapers, yoghurt pots, plastic bottles or brown paper tubes could they leave them in bags in the church porch for me to collect please. They will then be recycled at the end of the club if they haven't turned into a musical instrument!

*Many thanks, Tom*

### Diary Dates

A few important dates for the diary:  
 Sunday 31st May – Songs of Praise and BBQ  
 Saturday 6th June – Men's Breakfast  
 Sunday 14th June – Kairos - Whatever, Julie Sear  
 Saturday 27th June – Church Away Day  
 Sunday 12th July – Kairos – Video ergo Sum  
 Sunday 19th July – Cluster Service, West Hoathly  
 Sunday 30th August – Evensong

### Women's Breakfast

There will be a Women's breakfast on Saturday 30th May at 8.30 am. More details will follow but please sign the list at the back of Church if you are interested in attending. *Many thanks, Di*

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## Kents Road Church

We have been invited by Kents Road Church in Haywards Heath, to join them at a talk by the nephew of Nelson Mandela, Joseph Kobo on Thursday 28th May from 7.45 pm to 9.00 pm. Joseph was formerly an ANC freedom fighter, who renewed his Christian faith whilst in a South African prison facing a charge of treason which carried the death penalty under the Apartheid regime. Joseph had a remarkable encounter with God while in prison and now is based in the Eastern Cape province of South Africa where his organisation reaches out to the poor and needy which the new South Africa appears to have forgotten.

## Songs and Praise and Barbecue

This year our Songs of Praise and Barbecue will be held on Sunday 31st May. If you would like to come along to our service and have a hymn that you would like sung, please sign the list at the back of Church. Please also sign this list if you would like to come to the Barbecue at the Vicarage which will be held after the service.

*Many thanks, Mark*

## Men's Breakfast

### Sir Peter Woodhead KPV

All men are invited to this special event to be held at The Birch Hotel, 6th June at 8.30 to 10.00 am. Sir Peter is a brilliant speaker and comes with a wealth of stories to share. He is particularly famous for being 2nd in Command in the Atlantic during the Falklands conflict and then later being the Ombudsman for the Prison Service. We have use of the Sussex room at the Birch and will be charging £7.50. This is an ideal chance both to hear such a prominent speaker but also to bring a friend or colleague from work. Please add your name and no. of guests on the form at the back of the church.