

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.

I cried to God with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; BUT GOD HAS SURELY LISTENED AND HEARD MY VOICE IN PRAYER. Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me. Psalm 66:17-20.

SUNDAY

Thank you God that although you hold the whole world in your hands, you still have time for each individual. We pray for this small part of your world and your church, asking for your presence with us today and for all those who meet together in your name. We pray for those who are persecuted for their faith and have to meet in secret.

MONDAY

We praise you today for you have not abandoned us although as a nation we have turned our back on you. We praise you for you are faithful and will hear the cry of those who desire to turn from faithlessness to faith in you. We pray for our nation and leaders that they will turn to you and that our nation would know the favour of God again.

TUESDAY

Lord if we cherish sin in our hearts you will not listen to us, we confess the sin in our lives ... so that you will hear our prayer and we praise you that you are able to cleanse all those who truly repent of all the unrighteousness that spoils our lives and relationships.

WEDNESDAY

We thank you for every moment in our lives that we have been aware of your voice speaking to us, your help, your presence, your answer to prayer. We believe that you are able to work everything for our good, may we have faith and patience to see how you bring that about in our daily lives. We pray for Tom and his helpers as well as the children at WASTEWATCHERS! Holiday club ... for safety, for fun and for finding out more about you Lord.

THURSDAY

Thank you for the good plans and purposes that you have for each of our lives and for every stage of our lives. Thank you that we always have a part to play, however limited we may feel through age or ill health, until you call us to be with you. Show us how we can delight your heart by being what you created us to be. We pray for the Women's Breakfast on Saturday morning as they look at this theme.

FRIDAY

Father in heaven, we pray for the children today. Expose those who do not care properly for children and bring help and healing for the abused. We thank you for good homes, parents, families, schools, teachers, youth workers, care home staff, health workers and spiritual leaders for children; please bless them, encourage them and provide for them and protect them.

SATURDAY

We thank you for Mark's safe return and pray for the Songs of Praise Barbecue to be a good time of fellowship. We pray for all who are going through difficult times and especially for Max and Zena who have friends in our church. We ask that you will be with Max as he has chemotherapy for his cancer. We pray for minimal side effects and a successful outcome, as well as peace through resting in God.

Thank you God that you have surely listened and heard our prayer. **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 2:1-21 | Page 1032 |
| Romans 8:22-27 | Page 1071 |
| John 15:26-27 | Page 1023 |

Welcome

A warm welcome to Brother Angelo SSF 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

*Muriel Waugh
Emma Bartlett*

Notices

Holiday Club – 27th to 29th May

This year's holiday club is on the theme WASTE-WATCHERS! 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 the Bursar, Nick Powell 01444 831371 or email 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:
 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 this 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 who, so often, are forgotten.

Songs and Praise and Barbecue

This year our Songs of Praise and Barbecue will be held next 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 number of guests, to the form at the back of the church.