

## 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.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

### MONDAY

Lord, you live in a high and holy place but also with those who are sorry for their sin and humble in heart. Your promise is that you will revive them. May I be quick to acknowledge my failings that I may know your power to rescue.

### TUESDAY

Your promise is for peace and healing Lord, which is something that many of us need. We pray that we would live in the fulfillment of this promise, that others may find you, and come to know peace and healing for themselves.

### WEDNESDAY

Father, you want your children to pursue justice, freedom for the oppressed, helping the poor and then when we need help you will say "Here am I". Grant that we would not pass by on the other side when someone needs our help.

### THURSDAY

Your intention Lord is that the church is to communicate your wisdom to the heavenly realms, that was brought about by Christ Jesus our Lord. Help us in our weakness, and may your power be seen in the church.

### FRIDAY

In you, and through faith in you, we may approach you in freedom and confidence and so we refuse to be discouraged. Whether circumstances, illness, frustrations, or just our own failings, help us to quickly turn to you, unafraid.

### SATURDAY

You Lord, are gracious and compassionate, faithful and just, a trustworthy and steadfast redeemer, holy and awesome is your name. Please help us to be recognizable as your children.

### SUNDAY

Lord, when we come together, may we, with your people around the world be strengthened with power of your Spirit, and grow in our understanding of your amazing love, and be filled with the fulness of God.

**Amen**

# S<sup>t</sup> Augustine's Newsletter

## This Week's Services

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

*Please stay for refreshments afterwards*

## This Week's Readings

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## This Week's Services & Events

### Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

1.30 pm	Meeting with Scout Leaders
8.00 pm	Mission Giving Meeting, Vicarage

### Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>

3.00 pm	Brighton Voices in Exile Discussion at Labour Conference
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### Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>

12.30 pm	Cluster Clergy Lunch
7.30 pm	Deanery Synod, Wivelsfield

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>

10.30 am	Holy Communion, Vicarage
4.00 pm	Sierra Leone Schools Meeting

### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

7.30 pm	Youth Group
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### Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

7.00 pm	Harvest Supper, School
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### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>

8.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>10.00 am</b>	Parish Communion

## Name to be Remembered This Week

*Norman Purrett*

## H1N1 Virus - Swine Flu

Dear Friends,

A sub group of the PCC met to discuss how S<sup>t</sup> Augustine's should respond. It is important not to panic or over-react. However, in light of guidance from the central Church of England we do intend to implement some measures (detailed below) and offer some training for key people about how to respond should the situation worsen. Please read this information carefully.

*Yours sincerely, Parish Priest and Wardens*

### H1N1 Virus - Swine Flu

Following guidance from the central Church of England, the following measures will be in place at S<sup>t</sup> Augustine's Church:

- For the foreseeable future the chalice (Common cup) will not be shared at Holy Communion. The minister will use hand gel before administering the bread and will intinct the bread in the wine before placing the bread on the palm of the communicant's hand. If you only wish to receive the bread (not dipped in wine) please come forward holding a service book so that the minister is aware. The minister will use hand gel before administering the bread. Those who receive blessings should come forward as normal; however a blessing will be administered without touch.
- Hands will not be shaken during the peace, or at the door of the Church
- **If you feel ill or have flu like symptoms then please do not come to church.**
- Hand gel will be available on the table at the back of Church, in the sanctuary, kitchen and vestry.
- A Parish Flu Co-ordinator has been appointed - **Sue Welland** - 01444 831234.

### **Flu Friends**

The Flu Co-ordinator will facilitate the operation of a *flu friend* system. This means that if you find yourself ill and therefore unable to collect medicine or basic provisions a *flu friend* will pick up your medication and food, and deliver it to your door. If you are prepared to be a *flu friend* please sign the list at the back of the church. If you find that you need a *flu friend* then please ring Sue Welland.

### **Coffee after Church**

This will continue as normal. Those preparing drinks should use hand gel before touching cups and biscuits. The dirty cups and mugs will be taken home by a churchwarden and washed in a dishwasher rather than by hand.

## Mission Giving Meeting

All are invited at 8pm at the Vicarage on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> to pray and discuss who the Church will support financially this year as we tithe our own church income. If you know of special needs at this time please let Mark or Mike Harding know in advance and we will bring this to the meeting. *Many thanks, Mike*

## New Harmonie Concert

There is a concert by New Harmonie today at 3.00 pm at Scaynes Hill Village Centre. The programme will include a taste of some classical wind repertoire, The Young Person's Guide to Wind Instruments, Peter and the Wolf in words and music, a bit of swing and more. The concert is suitable for all ages. Tickets are £7 for adults and £3 for children under 15 and are available on the door.

## Happy Birthday

to

### **George Comber**

who celebrated his 6<sup>th</sup> birthday on 17th September

## Notices

### Leading Intercessions

There will be a two session training workshop led by Joy Gillver (Adviser for Ministry and Adult Christian Education) on leading intercessions on Mondays - 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm at St Mary's Church, Slaughtam. If you are interested in attending, please let me know by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October. *Many thanks, Mark*

### St Augustine's School

You will all be delighted to hear that our School's Contextual Value Added Score - that is the progress children make in our school from KS1 to KS2 is 101.5. This means that the rate of progress our children make at St Augustine's is in the top 5% of all schools nationally. The school's CVA has been in the top 15% nationally for four years now; in the top 10% for the last three years and now in the top 5%. This represents continued, substantial and sustained effort from everyone: children, parents and staff. Many congratulations to everyone connected with the school. *Mark*

### ... and some Quick Reminders

**Harvest Festival** - Please remember to water, protect from slugs, etc. the plants that Kerry distributed for our Harvest Display. If you are successful in your crop, please leave at the back of church no later than Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please note our Harvest Festival Service starts at **10.00 am** on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Our **Harvest Supper** will take place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 7.00 pm in the School Hall. There will be a short quiz after the meal and some musical entertainment. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to come. £6 per person. Offers of food would be appreciated.

The **Parish Magazine** will be available at the back of church from Thursday 1st October.

All items for the **Newsletter** should reach Debbie Martin by no later than Thursday at 9.30 am.

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