

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.

Prayer is not to be from the mind and lips only, but also from the heart. This week prayer is based on the kind of heart that we need to pray effectively.

MONDAY

Heart of reverence: May all we say and do today reflect our desire to fear and honour you. We pray for the school today as they show prospective parents around, that the school would provide a kind and caring community as well as a good education.

TUESDAY

Heart of faith: Lord we do believe, but we ask that you would help us to exercise our faith in the difficulties of life, that we would then grow in faith. We pray for Mark as he attends today's meetings and prepares to fly to Freetown tomorrow.

WEDNESDAY

Heart of knowing God's word: Give us a hunger for your Word, that we would better know you and how you would have us live. We pray for the applications being made for funding for the annexe, we ask they would be looked on favourably.

THURSDAY

Heart of forgiveness: Help us to be slow to judge and quick to forgive, that our consciences may be clean and clear and our asking is not tainted with a wrong heart. We pray for all who are sick in our parish as well as those we know personally.

FRIDAY

Heart of surrender: We ask that we would come and lay all our rights and opinions at your feet as we pray your will be done. We pray for our young people, that they would come to know you and in so doing, know that you have good plans for their lives.

SATURDAY

Heart of commitment: Help us Lord to keep going and to finish the course that you have set before us, and to stay true to you despite discouragements and setbacks. We pray for the wardens as they take extra responsibility in Mark's absence.

SUNDAY

Heart that is cleansed and invigorated with life through Jesus Christ our Lord: We pray for our meeting together today, that your Holy Spirit will speak to our hearts and that our worship will be pleasing to you.

Amen

S^t Augustine's Newsletter

This Week's Services

8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Parish Communion with Children's Church
	<i>Please stay for refreshments afterwards</i>
6.00 pm	Kairos

This Week's Readings

Job 1:1; 2:1-10	Page 490
Hebrews 4:12-16	Page 1138
Mark 10:17-31	Page 958

This Week's Services & Events

Monday 12th

11.00 am	Friends of Nakuru
1.30 pm	S ^t Augustine's School Open Afternoon for Prospective Parents

Tuesday 13th

9.00 am	Teaching and Learning Committee
10.30 am	Diocesan Overseas Council

Wednesday 14th

Mark flies to Freetown

Thursday 15th

NO HOLY COMMUNION

Friday 16th

7.30 pm	UFOs
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Sunday 18th

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

Names to be Remembered This Week

*Hazel Bartlett
Doris Parker*

H1N1 Virus - Swine Flu

Dear Friends,

A sub group of the PCC met to discuss how S^t 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^t 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.

Thank You

A huge thank you to Diane Elliot and her the team of helpers who decorated the Church so wonderfully for Harvest. Thank you for all the planning, hard work and artistic flare!

Christianity Explored - Home Group

The next new Home Group meeting is Tuesday 13th October at Kelvin & Tammy's House - opposite the Church. We will continue our study in Mark's gospel. Any questions to Tom please as Mike & Di are on holiday.

Happy Birthday

to

Mike Harding

who celebrated his 60th Birthday on
Wednesday 7th October 2009

Notices

Autumn and Christmas Dates

We thought it would be helpful to list the dates of our services for the remainder of the Autumn and Christmas:

- Tuesday 20th October: Riverside Fellowship - 10.15 am
 Sunday 8th November: Remembrance Service - 10.50 am
 Sunday 29th November: Back to Church Sunday - 10.00 am
 Advent Service - 6.00 pm
 Sunday 6th December: Toy Service - 11.00 am
 Youth Service - 6.00 pm
 Sunday 13th December: Christingle - 4.00 pm
 Sunday 20th December: Carol Service - 6.00 pm
 Thursday 24th December: KS1 Crib Service - 3.30 pm
 KS2 Crib Service - 5.00 pm
 Midnight Eucharist - 11.00 pm
 Friday 25th December: Holy Communion - 8.00 am
 All Age Service - 10.00 am
 Sunday 27th December: Holy Communion - 8.00 am
 Parish Communion - 9.30 am
 (No Children's Church)

Kairos

Sunday 11th October 2009

Following a brief look at the history of the Old Testament at the parish away day a number of people said they would like to get to know the story of the whole Bible. This session will focus on the key theological themes that run through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. It will aim to help us see how the message of the Bible fits together; the session will be interactive and hopefully fun!

... and a Quick Reminder

All items for the **Newsletter** should reach Debbie Martin by no later than Thursday at 9.30 am as the newsletter goes to print on a Thursday lunchtime. Many thanks.

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