

## 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.

Men and women of God... Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith to which you were called. 1 Timothy 6:11

### MONDAY

Righteousness. Lord, we praise you for the blood of Jesus that was shed for us, to cover our sin and enable to stand in your presence today, clean and unashamed. We pray for Mark in Africa this week and ask that you would make his visit fruitful, that he would be an encourager and also be encouraged, and keep him safe and well.

### TUESDAY

Godliness. Father, we ask today that you would help us to live Godly lives that reflect your character and goodness, seeing as you see and our hearts responding with your compassion. We pray for peace in our world, especially for those places where war is raging and peoples lives are being devastated, especially Afghanistan.

### WEDNESDAY

Faith. Give us more faith Lord, faith to move mountains, we are so aware of our proneness to worry, anxiety and fear. Help us in those moments to lift our eyes to you, creator and sustainer of all life, and to again place it all in your capable hands. We pray for S<sup>t</sup> Peter's and S<sup>t</sup> James' hospice and for all those with terminal sickness.

### THURSDAY

Love. May your unfailing love be our comfort and may we in turn comfort others with the love we have received. Help us to see today those who need our comfort or encouragement, we pray for the housebound and lonely in our parish.

### FRIDAY

Endurance. Heavenly Father, grant us the tenacity to keep going despite disappointments, weariness, weak faith and lack of encouragement. Meet us in these moments Lord and help us to keep worshipping you, through prayer and praise, trusting that you will uphold us. We pray for our young people and their leaders.

### SATURDAY

Gentleness. Jesus, we remember how you dealt with children, with those who were lost, those who society shunned, those whose faith was weak. Help us to speak and act with kindness and gentleness to all we meet today.

### SUNDAY

Fight the good fight of faith. We pray as we meet today that we will be encouraged in our faith together. We pray for Jean, Tom and Ben as they lead our services and ask your blessing on them as they serve.

**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*

## Welcome

Welcome to Reverend Jeremy Sykes who is leading our 8.00 am and 9.30 am services this morning.

## This Week's Readings

Job 42:1-6, 10-17	Page 520
Hebrews 7:23-28	Page 1140
Mark 10:46-52	Page 959

## This Week's Services & Events

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

*(Mark to attend service at S<sup>t</sup> Paul's Cathedral, Bo)*

### Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

*(Mark to meet Diocesan staff and to visit Vicarage and Bishopric)*

### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

*(Mark to visit South Bo)*

### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>

*(Mark to visit East Bo)*

### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

**NO HOLY COMMUNION**

*(Mark to lead morning worship and meet with Diocesan staff)*

### Friday 30<sup>th</sup>

7.30 pm UFOs

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>

8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Parish Communion
11.00 am	All Age Service

## Names to be Remembered

*Tony Priddy  
June Hook*

## 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.

## Youth Service

On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November from 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm, there will be a lively service aimed at teenagers but open to all. The theme is "Jesus: Cute Baby or Controversial King". Please do come along.

## Back to Church Sunday

Back to Church Sunday is on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November and the service will be held at 10am. There will also be our evening Advent Service that Sunday which will a great opportunity to invite people who don't usually come to church!

## Notices

### Autumn and Christmas Dates

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

- Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November: Remembrance Service - 10.50 am  
 Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: Youth Service - 6.30 pm  
 Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November: Back to Church Sunday - **10.00 am**  
 Advent Service - 6.00 pm  
 Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December: Toy Service - 11.00 am  
 Youth Service - 6.00 pm  
 Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December: Christingle - 4.00 pm  
 Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Carol Service - 6.00 pm  
 Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December: KS1 Crib Service - 3.30 pm  
 KS2 Crib Service - 5.00 pm  
 Midnight Eucharist - 11.00 pm  
 Friday 25<sup>th</sup> December: Holy Communion - 8.00 am  
 All Age Service - 10.00 am  
 Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December: Holy Communion - 8.00 am  
 Parish Communion - 9.30 am  
 (No Children's Church)

### Film Club

On Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October the discussion on the film shown last week "Evan Almighty", sequel to popular "Bruce Almighty", will take place. The evenings will be from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm.

### ... and a Quick Reminder

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November, there is a **Prayer Meeting** in the Church from 9.30 am to 10.00 am.

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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