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## Healing Service

We hope to have a healing service at 6pm on Sunday 29th April. If you would like to be involved in praying or planning, please come and talk to me.

The Diocesan Healing Conference "Life in All Its Fullness" is on Saturday 17th February at Victoria Baptist Church in Eastbourne from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm. Booking is online through the Diocesan Website. There are a few of us going and if you would like to join us, you would be very welcome. *Lucy*

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# St Augustine's Church Newsletter

Weeks commencing:

Sunday 11th and 18th February 2018

## Services and Events

### Sunday 11th February

10.00 am Parish Communion  
 with Sunday Club  
 3.30 pm Family Fun Church

### Monday 12th February

8 am Lighting Test - 4 hr

### Tuesday 13th February

10. am Coffee Shop  
 PANCAKE DAY!!  
 7.30 pm Sustainability Group

### Wednesday 14th February

**No Heating in Church and Annexe**  
 7.30 pm Ash Wednesday Service  
 Annexe

### Thursday 15th February

**No Heating in Church and Annexe**  
 9.30 am Prayers

### Friday 16th February

**No Heating in Church and Annexe**  
 Half Term **NO YOUTH GROUP**

### Saturday 17th February

10.00 am Churchyard Working Party

### Sunday 18th February

8.00 am Holy Communion  
 10.00 am Parish Communion with  
 Children's Activities

### Tuesday 20th February

10.00 am Coffee Shop with LENT lunch  
 7.00 pm Fabric Vision Meeting

### Wednesday 21st February

9.45 am Open the Book Rehearsal  
 6.30 pm Community Choir, School  
 8.15 pm Home Group - Heather Place

### Thursday 22nd February

9.30 am Prayers  
 10.30 am Fabric Vision Meeting  
 7.30 pm Lent Course - Church / Annexe

### Friday 9th February

7.30 pm Youth Group -  
 Smoothies and Slushies

## Fundraising Events

On Saturday 17th March, we will be holding a Quiz Night from 7.00pm to 9.00pm for everyone in the Church congregation and their families and friends. Please try and get a team together and keep the date free. This will be to help raise funds towards our trip to take the children and young people to May Camp.

We are also raising funds through a Treasure Map. See if you can find one of numerous lovely prizes hidden on our map. £1 per guess! For more details please find Emily Ludgate.

## Sunday 18th March

As you know on Sunday 18th March, Lisa will be made a Canon at Chichester Cathedral at 3.30 pm where she will be taking the seat of Woodhorn.

It would be really lovely if as many of us as possible could attend and, therefore, we thought it might be a good idea to see if we can arrange some lift sharing.

If you are thinking of coming and are happy to drive or if you would really like to come but need a lift, please let Debbie know at: [deb.martin@sky.com](mailto:deb.martin@sky.com) / 01444 831431

# Notices

## Prayer for the Week

*Gracious God,  
as we begin this  
period of inner  
reflection and  
examination,  
You invite us  
inward to that  
silent, holy space  
that holds  
Your Spirit.  
This special time  
beckons us to see  
our lives through  
Christ's eyes.  
Give us the grace to  
enter these days  
with anticipation.  
Let your loving  
kindness flow over  
us and fill our  
hearts.  
Amen*

## Preparing for Lent

Pancakes will once again be on offer at Coffee Shop on Shrove Tuesday, 13th Feb. We will then mark Ash Wednesday with a reflective service at 7.30pm on 14th Feb. This will be held in the Annexe as heating work is being carried out.

## Lent Lunch

A special lunch to mark the start of Lent will be held after the Coffee Shop on Tuesday 20th Feb. Soup and rolls will be served from 12-2pm with donations in aid of Family Support Work.

## FSW Spring Supper

Family Support Work's main fund-raising event, the annual Spring Supper, will take place on Friday 23rd March in Wivelsfield Village Hall. Entertainment will be provided by Scaynes Hill Community Choir. Tickets cost £14 and will be available soon from Jenny Walker.

## Week of Prayer

As part of the 2018 Diocesan Year of Prayer we will be holding a week of prayer from 13th to 20th May. We will be holding a planning meeting for this week on Monday 5th March at 7.30 pm in the Church and everyone is very welcome to attend.

## Lent Course 2018

This year, St Augustine's is joining together with churches across the diocese in using the diocesan lent course. As many of our congregation who are able, will be getting together on Thursdays from 7.30 to 9 pm during Lent, beginning on Thursday 22nd February, Do pick up one of the flyers about this course from the back of Church. Each week stands on its own so please don't feel that attendance every week is necessary. We would love to see you if you are able to join us.

## Where Adventure Begins

Riding Lights Theatre Co will be performing a touring play on Mon 26th February at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church on Perrymount Road. 'Where Adventure Begins' is a fast paced, humorous and entertaining show that explores why faith in the home is so important. We will follow Jake, Jasmine and Ellie as they re-live their childhood and teenage experiences of Christian faith at home and at church. In a brilliantly entertaining show – "real, touching, hilarious". Book your ticket (£10) via Lydia in the church office on 01444 416170 or [office@haywardsheathmethodistchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@haywardsheathmethodistchurch.co.uk) or direct on-line: [new-wine.org/adventurebegins](http://new-wine.org/adventurebegins)



# Notices

## Tithe Giving 2017

As usual in December, we were able to tithe our church incoming giving so that we could support others both in the UK and abroad as part of our ministry. So for example we helped the homeless in Brighton, the FSW helping families in need in our own Parish, and then abroad a charity who arrange restoration of old wheel chairs to assist disabled people in Africa. In total we regularly support a minimum of 12 organisations and the letters we receive thanking us are in many cases quite touching and clearly very appreciated; just look for example at Through the roof's letter dated 11/1/18. All these thank you letters are in a file on the annexe table. Do please stop and read them. As Treasurer can I once again thank all of you regular supporters to the Church from which we not only provide the various functions and ministries locally. but are able also to extend our prayers and financial help to several charities abroad.

Mike Harding

## A Nice Problem to Have .....

We want to review how we use the Church building, especially in worship. Could we change our practice, or the physical environment, and improve the way that people experience worship? I can see many options - including the "do nothing" one - but we are really keen to involve as many people as possible, both from within the congregation and from the wider village community, in seeing if we can develop a better way of using the building.



to  
**Oscar Smith**  
who celebrates  
his birthday on  
Saturday 17th February

## Prayer Meetings

A quick reminder that a few of us are meeting for a time of prayer on a Thursday morning at 9.30 am in the Church for about 20 mins. We have some set prayers and some informal ones. This is a very special time and is open to everyone in the congregation. You would be very welcome if you would like to join us.

Lisa

We'd like to start the ball rolling with a couple of meetings, open to all, to gather and share ideas, to hear what things work well now, and think what might work even better in the future.

So come and join us on:  
**Tuesday 20th February**  
at 7pm or  
**Thursday 22nd February**  
at 10.30 am

We look forward to seeing and hearing from you!

Mark Brunet

## Parish Magazine Deliveries

We are looking for someone to take over the delivery of Parish Magazines to Ham Lane.

This involves delivering the magazines to houses in Ham Lane on a monthly basis and collecting subscriptions on annually. If you are interested please could you let me know.

## Thank You

Thank you to Di and her team for organising such a wonderful Ladies Breakfast yesterday. It was really interesting to hear from Trish and the breakfast was absolutely delicious. It was all very much appreciated by everyone who was there.