



# St Augustine's Church

## Scaynes Hill



Sunday 6th December 2020

### Welcome

Whilst we are still in a period when most of us are unable to meet we hope that this newsletter helps you feel encouraged and supported by our Church.

### This Week's Services & Events

#### Sunday 6th December

9.00 am **Said Communion in Church**  
*You will be welcomed by Mark Brunet*  
Leader: Reverend Peter Irwin-Clark  
*A reminder that face coverings are mandatory*

**PLEASE LET MARK KNOW IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND**

10.00 am **All Age Online Sunday Worship**  
*Please click on the link below*

Leader: Steve Argent  
Preacher: Steve Argent

#### Tuesday 8th December

COFFEE SHOP CLOSED

#### Sunday 13th December

10.00 am **Pre-recorded Online Communion**  
*Please click on the link below*

Leader: Reverend Jean Sedgley  
Preacher: Reverend Jean Sedgley

### Service Update

We are so pleased that we are able to resume our Said Communion services in church this coming Sunday, 6th December and these will continue as usual on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month. Thank you so much to Peter Irwin-Clark who will be taking our service this week. We offer Peter a warm welcome and hope that he enjoys his time with us. If you wish to attend this services in church, please contact Mark Brunet on 01825 723515 or at [mark@brunets.co.uk](mailto:mark@brunets.co.uk) by midday on Friday 4th December.

We will continue with our online services this which this week is an All Age worship. Steve will be leading us once again and he will be continuing his look at "Who are you in the Christmas Story?". Many thanks to Steve for all his hard work on these two services and to Di and Sarah for our lovely prayers, Francesca and Oscar for reading and to all our musicians. As you may have noticed last week, we started lighting our advent candles in our service. A big thank you to Jess and Luke for doing this for us and thank you to Francesca and Thomas for doing it this week. The link below will take you into our service:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYBluyAatI5kfw5dcthxF-w>

We were very sad to learn this week that **Rosalind Grimshaw**, the famous glass artist, has passed away aged 75. She designed the Bartlett Windows in the church and we send our condolences to her family.

We have had a further delivery of **calendars**, if you have not ordered one or would like to order another, do let me know.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive this newsletter, or who would like to receive information about our church and / or our Christmas services, do let me know. In the meantime, we are here to help - if you need anything at all, please do give us one of us a call (numbers on back page).

### Readings and Hymns

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Mark 1: 1-8  
(Readings from the NIV)

From Heaven You Came – 120  
Give Thanks – 124  
Light of the World – 1419  
Shine Jesus Shine – 362

## Message from Maurice

As you may know Maurice was in Bognor receiving rehabilitation. He has now moved to a care home in Arundel and is hoping that, when he gets a negative test, he will be able to move to a care home in Lindfield. He would be very happy to receive telephone calls and messages and if you contact Debbie, she will pass on his mobile number to you. In the meantime, we will be praying for Maurice and send him all our love.

## Advent Online

Advent Online is an incredible library of resources for churches and individual Christians, reaching out right across the world. Over 3,000 global Christians, involved in leading worship, have gathered together online over the last eight weeks to share their resources, gifts, skills and ideas to plan services and outreach during the Advent and Christmas season. Advent Online has emerged from this well-spring of collegiality, fraternity, and generosity. You can find more information here:

<https://adventonline.faith/>

## Chichester Diocese Advent and Christmas

The Diocese also has many events and resources planned and available. You can find out more information here:

<https://www.chichestercathedral.org.uk/worship/live-streamed-services>

## Thank You

A big thank you to Jenny Bewick for our wonderful Kairos advent reflection last week. It was a lot of hard work and Jenny we are so very appreciative of you starting our advent season in such a wonderful manner.



## FSW Christmas Hampers Update

The FSW volunteers are unable to meet together for the usual hamper making session so this year individual churches are being asked to put Christmas hampers together. We plan to make up 3 or 4 hampers and you will find below a list for what each hamper should include. Any contributions will be most welcome (see list below). Please leave your donations in the box at church or in the porch at 36, Costells Edge. Adult gifts for the children to wrap for parents eg smellies, socks etc are also needed and gift cards for teenagers such as One4All/Love to Shop from the Post Office or Amazon would be appreciated.

*Many thanks for your support. Jenny W*

**Christmas Pudding**  
**2 tins/packets of Custard**  
**1 tin Rice Pudding**  
**Cranberry Sauce**  
**4 Bin Bags**  
**Soap Dispenser**  
**2 tins of Baked Beans**  
**Tin of Ham**  
**Tin of Salmon**  
**2 tins of Sweetcorn**  
**Tea bags**  
**Coffee**  
**Box of Biscuits**  
**Packet of Rice**  
**Packet of Pasta**  
**Marmalade/Jam**  
**Extras:**  
**Supermarket voucher for**  
**purchase of Fresh Meat/**  
**Vegetables**  
**Toothbrushes/Toothpaste**  
**Tissues**  
**Sugar**  
**Tuna**

## Christmas Tree Festival

We have been trying to think of ways in which we can join together with each other this Christmas and have come up with a Christmas Tree Festival. This will be a virtual event but one way in which we can all share in each other's celebrations. We would like this to be inclusive for the whole parish and, therefore, if you were able to pass this information to others, it would be very much appreciated. I will send more details nearer the time but the idea is that we each take a picture of our Christmas tree - landscape I am afraid. Sorry I know that isn't ideal for a picture of a tree! They should be sent to me at [sash.christmastree@gmail.com](mailto:sash.christmastree@gmail.com). The festival will be broadcast on Christmas Eve at 10 am on our YouTube channel.

## Daily Hope

Introduced by Archbishop Justin Welby - the line is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 - it has been set up for those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions. Options available include Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship. A section called Hymn Line offers callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and reflection and is based on an initiative by the Connections group.





## Our Mission for this Month is ..... Crisis



For most of us the biggest worry we are likely to face this Christmas is knowing whether we are definitely going to be able to get together with our families and, if so, how much food to get in? For the homeless it's going to be a lot more serious; a long, lonely weekend on the cold, deserted streets with almost all sources of food closed for the holiday. And then there is Covid-19 to contend with! But **Crisis** (formerly known as *Crisis at Christmas*) is getting ready to help these people again but social distancing means they will have to do things differently. They will still be offering a place to stay –

but not in communal sleeping venues but in hotels and vacant student accommodation where guests can keep safe, warm and self-isolate. Food and festive treats will be provided as well as advice on health, housing, employment and benefits. There will also be friendship and support from volunteer befrienders. The cost of giving one homeless person shelter this Christmas is £28.22 and whilst St Augustine's makes them an annual donation why not consider making an individual gift yourself. To see how to do it and to discover more about their wider work do go to

<https://www.crisis.org.uk/get-involved/donate-to-crisis-this-christmas/>

### FOR PRAYERFUL CONCERN

**For Maurice** - as he moves to a care home in Arundel

**For Rowan** - Kerry and Mark's young grandson - as he spends the next 8 weeks recovering from an operation on his jaw

**For Beverley and Michael** - as they prepare to leave All Saints and for their move to Scaynes Hill.

**For Brian and the Sitford family** - in Brian's ill health

**Mabel (Pam's Mum's mum), her husband, Pam and the whole family** - as they support Mabel in her ill health

**For Doris** - in her ill-health

**For Sheila** - as she recuperates

**For Gwyneth and Derek Paine** - in their ill health

**For those who are struggling in this time of pandemic**

**If you would like to be included in this list, or you know of anyone who would like us to pray for them, please contact Debbie at [sash.parishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:sash.parishoffice@gmail.com).**

### The Peace of Wild Things

When despair for the world grows in me  
And I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what  
my life and children's lives may be,  
I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water  
and the great heron feeds,  
I come into the peace of wild things  
who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief.  
I come into the presence of still water.  
And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light.  
For a time, I rest in the grace of the world and I am free.

*Many thanks to Frances Millard for sending this poem*

Taken from "The Poetry Pharmacy"

Book One: Prescriptions for the Heart, Mind and Soul by William Sieghart

Book Two: Prescriptions for Courage, Healing and Hope

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### Parish Help

If you, or someone else you know, needs some assistance with shopping or anything else please feel free to call anyone of the following:

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**Maria Brett (01825 723500)**

**Debbie Martin (01444 831893)**

**Maggie Sawney (01444 831207)**

**Marilyn Slater ( 01444 482974)**

**Nic Calvey (01444 487734)**

**Pam Main (01444 831189)**

If you have an urgent request please call Jenny Walker. We are all here to help so please don't hesitate to ring anytime.



### Church Giving

If you normally donate to the Church on a weekly basis during the service and would like to continue whilst we are unable to meet together, please contact Jamie Bewick on:

[sash.treasurer@outlook.com](mailto:sash.treasurer@outlook.com)

## Prayer for 2nd Week of Advent

*Lord Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness,  
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.*

*We who have so much to do help us to seek  
quiet spaces to hear your voice each day,*

*We who are anxious over many things*

*look forward to your coming among us. Amen.*