



# St Augustine's Church

## Scaynes Hill

Sundays 11th and 18th April 2021

### Welcome

*Whilst we are in this time of pandemic and unable to meet together, we hope that this newsletter helps you feel encouraged and supported by our Church*

### Forthcoming Services & Events

#### Sunday 11th April

**10.00 am Online Morning Worship**

Leader: Gaynor Deal  
Preacher: Steve Argent

#### Sunday 25th April

**10.00 am Online Morning Worship**

Leader: Reverend Beverley Miles  
Preacher: Reverend Beverley Miles

#### Sunday 18th April

**10.00 am Online Holy Communion**

Leader: Reverend Beverley Miles  
Preacher: Reverend Beverley Miles

**All our services are available on the link below:**  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYBluyAat15kfw5dcthxF-w>

### News Update

Welcome to this week's newsletter which covers the next two weeks. Firstly, I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who contributed to our Easter Services. It was lovely that so many of us were able to share in online worship over Holy Week and the Easter weekend. Whilst we were all extremely sad that we were unable to worship together in church, it was encouraging to see that our services on YouTube were enjoyed by so many of the congregation.

Our online services continue this week with an online morning worship led by Gaynor and Steve will preaching as I am having a few days break. Many thanks to both of them for taking this service.

We are all very busy preparing for the return of online worship on Sunday 2nd May. Full details of these services are on page 2. As we have such a small church building, we feel it is vital to offer two services every Sunday morning whilst in the midst of the pandemic so that we can accommodate everyone who wishes to attend. As you will know, the logistics of increasing our services to two on a Sunday morning, whilst continuing to provide for those who cannot attend or are not comfortable to return, are complicated so please bear with us whilst we put all the arrangements in place.

Returning to worship in church under the current restrictions is going to be different. We will, therefore, circulate separately, over the next two weeks, a document explaining what to expect from our services.

During April, the church will be open for private prayer on Wednesdays and Sundays from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm and we hope that you feel comfortable to return and to enjoy some quiet time in the church. Since Easter Sunday, there have been white ribbons in the porch area which you can tie to the magnolia tree to represent your prayers of thanksgiving and hope.

I am very keen to meet as many of you as possible and whilst we are unable to meet at Coffee Shop I thought that it might be a nice idea to have a "Coffee Bench". Debbie will take bookings for groups of 4 or 5 to come for a chat every Tuesday morning in the front garden of the church. Coffee, tea or hot chocolate and biscuits (if we are lucky cake!) will be provided! My first "Coffee Bench" will be on Tuesday 13th April and I thought I could do two sessions of 45 mins each. The first session will be at 10.00am and the second at 10.45am. I would really like to get to know you all properly so it would be lovely if you felt able to join me.

It has been really lovely to meet some of you when I have been out and about but a reminder that I would be delighted if you felt able to approach me and introduce yourselves if we have not already met.

**With love and blessings, Beverley**

## Services in Church

At their meeting on Monday 22nd March, the PCC agreed that, assuming the Covid situation remains stable, in-person services in Church will re-start on **Sunday 2nd May**. We are hoping that many of you will want to return and we will, therefore, be running two services on a Sunday morning at 9.00am and 11.00am. The **9.00am service will be a Said Holy Communion** and the **11.00 am will be a Said Worship for All Holy Communion**. We are planning to “live stream” the 9.00am service on the Church’s YouTube channel so that those who are unable to attend can also enjoy our services from home. If 9.00 am is not a good time for you, it will stay online and can be viewed later.

We will also be introducing a **Thursday Said Holy Communion at 10.30am** and these will commence on Thursday 27th May with a special service to mark St Augustine’s Day.

Due to Covid restrictions and social distancing, we need to take bookings for these services on a weekly basis. It will be on a first come, first served basis. You will need to book through Debbie and she will start to take bookings for Sunday 2nd May from **Monday 26th April**.

*Beverley*



to

**Lincoln Maxted**

who will turn 5 years old

on

Sunday 18th April



## Summer BBQ Sunday 29th August

An advance note for your diaries! We are planning to hold a Summer barbecue for our Church family at the Vicarage on **Sunday 29th August from 12 noon**. We are hoping and praying that this will be a lovely celebration of the whole family being able to get together again and that it will be a very special event. There will be further details nearer the time. We would love to see everybody there so please do keep it free and hopefully we will be able to celebrate together.

*Beverley & Michael*

## Spring Flower Show

The finale of the Spring Flower Show will be posted on YouTube on **Saturday 10th April at 2pm**. You can access it by clicking on the link below:

<https://studio.youtube.com/channel/UC-ILCIQ3TutcOISOOMocLOA>



## BlueJeans Coffee

A reminder that we are still meeting for coffee after our online services on a Sunday morning. If you would like to join us please contact Gaynor who will give you the login details.

## APCM

### Sunday 16th May at 3pm

Our APCM will be held via zoom on Sunday 16th May at 3.00 pm. At this meeting we will elect Churchwardens and PCC members. Please do join us for this important annual meeting,

## Ascension Day

### Thursday 13th May at 7.30 pm

We will be holding a short Ascension Day service in church at 7.30 pm on Thursday, 13th May. If you would like to attend, please contact Debbie to book a space.

## Private Prayer

We are very pleased to confirm that the Church will be open for private prayer. from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm on Wednesdays and Sundays throughout April.

*Many thanks*



## The Chosen

Steve Argent has been enjoying “The Chosen” and if you are interested it can be accessed on the app which is available on the following link:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.vidangel.thechosen>

## Our Mission for this Month is ..... The Haven

Throughout the last year, The Haven has been able to continue the work of helping people with pregnancy related problems. Caroline Kemp is the Haven manager, she is also wife of Will Kemp, and together they run the Point Church in Burgess Hill. Caroline together with Jo are our two trained advisors, and they have managed to continue to "see" clients on phone, online and via zoom. We have felt God's kindness in sending the amount of people that we could manage with our small staff, and we are excited to be welcoming Kate onto our staff, following completion of her training in Chichester. Sadly we have been unable to continue with the schools work, in talking about relationships and unexpected pregnancy, we hope to be able to re-

sume once the schools have settled into their new routine. We have welcomed paying half the rent for our office in Burgess Hill which we have been unable to use, and the advisors will be glad to be getting back to seeing clients face to face as soon as it becomes possible. We also pay for our advisors to have supervision where they are accountable to an outside trained counsellor, and questions and advice can be sought according to counselling guidelines. We begin each week with a time of prayer for our advisors and clients. I am so grateful to St Augustine's support for the work of The Haven. It is lovely to hear testimonials of our clients as they report positive change after consultation, one said "thank you for making me feel like me again".

### FOR PRAYERFUL CONCERN

**For Jill and Gerald Bridgman** - as they are both unwell

**For Yvonne and the whole McCulloch family** - as they mourn the loss of Arthur.

**For Derek, Caroline and the Paine/Furnell family** - as they mourn the loss of Gwyneth

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

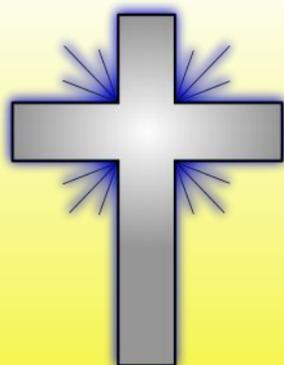
**For Mabel (Pam Main's mum) and the whole family** - in Mabel's ill health

**For Doris** - whilst she is in hospital and for her recuperation.

**For everyone suffering during the current 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).**

## Prayer for the Week



*O gracious and holy Father,  
give us wisdom to perceive you,  
diligence to seek you,  
patience to wait for you,  
eyes to behold you,  
a heart to meditate upon you,  
and a life to proclaim you,  
through the power of the spirit  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

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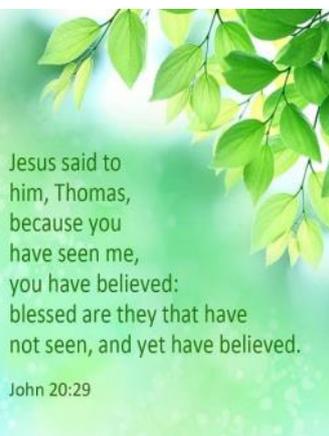


### Parish Help

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

**Jenny Walker, (01444 831696)**  
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If you have an urgent request please call Jenny Walker. We are all here to help so please don't hesitate to ring anytime.



Jesus said to him, Thomas, because you have seen me, you have believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

John 20:29

### 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)

### Sunday 11th April

Acts 4: 32-35  
 1 John 1: 1-2.2  
 John 20: 19-end

*(all readings taken from the NIV)*

Jesus Stand Among Us  
 Open our Eyes Lord  
 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace  
 To God be the Glory

### Sunday 18th April

Acts 3:12-19  
 1 John 3: 1-7  
 Luke 24: 36b-48

*(all readings taken from the NIV)*

What a friend we have in Jesus  
 At the Name of Jesus  
 Let us Break Bread Together  
 Blessed Assurance