

Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass
 Sun 8.00 am
 9.30 am Family Mass
 11.15 am Sung Mass
 5.45 pm (1st Sun Youth Mass)

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs 7.30 & 10.00 am
 Wed 7.30 am, 12.30 pm,
 7.30 pm Extraordinary Form
 (1st Wed monthly ONLY)
 4.30 pm Burrswood
 (2nd Wed monthly ONLY)
 Fri 7.30, 10.00 am & 7.30 pm
 Sat: 8.00 and 10.00 am

Reconciliation

Sat 10.30-11.30 am. 4.30 - 5.15 pm
 Also by appointment.

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Prayer

Benediction with Evening Prayer of the Church.

Sunday 4.00pm
Eucharistic Adoration
 Monday - 6.30 am - 8.00 pm
 Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am -1.00 pm
 Friday 6.30am - 9.00pm

Morning Prayers

Monday- Friday 7.00am, Saturday 7.40am

Rosary

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri before 10.00 am Mass

Rosary Intention

For the protection of every human life including unborn children.

Monday - Friday the church is usually open from 6.30am until at least 8.00pm.

Prayer Groups

Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -
 Blessed Sacrament
 Charismatic Tues, 8.00 pm - Church
 Christian Tues, 2.00 pm- MR3
 Meditation
 Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- MR3
 Prayers

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Christians must lean on the Cross of Christ just as travellers lean on a staff when they begin a long journey.
 St Anthony of Padua

Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed. Contributions to: newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

Newsletter can also be printed from the website - <http://www.st-augustine.co.uk/newsletters.php>

ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

10th June 2018



Looking with a Loving Gaze

in the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; Eucharistic Adoration is simply the natural consequences of the eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church's supreme act of adoration.



Pope Benedict XVI

No one who has ever been in love needs to be reminded that there are moments in a loving relationship when words are unnecessary. It is the same in our relationship with God. Wordless, quiet rest in the presence of the One who loves us has a name in the Christian Tradition – contemplation. The English word is derived from the Latin, 'contemplari' meaning 'to gaze at attentively.' It is a prayer that is particularly appropriate before Jesus, present

in the Blessed Sacrament. The Jesuit priest, Walter Burghardt described this form of prayer as, 'A long, loving look at the real'. Each word in Burghardt's description is significant — real... look... long... loving.

The Real

To take a long, loving look at something — people, places, trees, lakes, a new born child, mountains, is a natural act of contemplation, of loving admiration.

The 'real' we are invited to contemplate now, to look on with loving admiration is what we call 'The Real Presence' — Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament and waiting for us to call upon him.

The Look

It is looking at rather than thinking. I do not try to analyse, describe or define. I enter into communion. Burghardt gives the example, 'As I sit by a river, I do not cry out, 'Look, H²O.' I simply let the water trickle through my fingers'. To 'look' means to engage not only with my mind, but with the whole person, — the eyes, the ears, touch, smell and taste. We are invited to rest in what we have come to know, in 'what we have heard what we have seen, with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands'. Taken from 'Time before the Blessed Sacrament' a series of leaflets produced by the Spirituality Committee in preparation for the Adoremus Congress. The leaflets are available on the benches for use during your visit to the Blessed Sacrament.

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Year B Psalter Week 2
PARISH MASS BOOK
Readings: from page 92
Preface: page 68

PARISH VISIT TO KOMPONG THOM

Our link with Kompong Thom has now been established for more than 20 years. During that time many individuals have visited our twin parish but we have never had a parish group visit. I am hoping to organise a group of between ten and twenty parishioners to visit Kompong Thom in January 2019, leaving on 4th January and returning to UK on 15th January. The cost of the trip will be approximately £2,000 including air fares, although there would be a supplement of approximately £360 for single occupant accommodation. For this trip to be able to happen we need to start planning now, so would any parishioners who might be interested in taking part in this trip please give me their names and contact details as soon as possible and definitely before 30th June. Fr Peter.



RUNNING THE RACE OF LIFE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT 12th June - 8pm Keynote Talk in Church

Barbara Onuonga grew up in Scotland and now lives and works professionally in London. She has a leadership role in Youth 2000 (a leading Catholic charity) and is an inspiring speaker and teacher who is passionate about her Catholic faith.



St John's Seminary, Wonersh - Can you help?

St John's Seminary, Wonersh, is looking for help with the cost of refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms at a cost of £2,000 per room, many of which have not been upgraded in **40+ years**. Many rooms have threadbare or no carpets.

The Seminary operates on a very tight budget there is no money for this much-needed work. If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to 'St John's Seminary' to Mgr Gerry Ewing, St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX.

Please mark your calendars for the Annual Parish Family Day to be held in the church grounds and Parish Hall on 1st July 2018

Welcoming all parishioners to an afternoon (from 1pm to 4:30pm) of get together with lots of fun, music, children's performance, games, prizes and food. The theme of this year's family day will be to celebrate the international nature of St. Augustine's Parish.



There will be activities corner for toddlers, younger children and youth groups and cream tea corner with bingo.

For the success of the event, the committee is requesting for volunteers to help with organising the event.

Further, we would also appreciate if parishioners could kindly bring some food - preferably from an international background- to share with other parishioners. We also welcome for sponsorships and contributions for raffle prizes and bottle tombola during the event.

" If I could live in a tiny dwelling on a rock in the ocean, surrounded by the waves of the sea and cut off from the sight and sound of everything else, I would still not be free of the cares of this passing world, or from the fear that somehow the love of money might still come and snatch me away. "

St Cuthbert of Lindesfarne
Bishop of Lindesfarne

Oberammergau Passion Play 2020

I have been asked to organise a visit to the above, I know it seems a long way in the future, but tickets go very quickly.

It would also include a visit to The Dolomite Mountains, Innsbruck and Merano If you would be interested please let me know, so far 20 have agreed to go. The itinerary will be available shortly. Deacon Kevin

Please keep our First Holy Communion Children and Confirmadees in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacraments.

St Michael's House, Gardens and Grassland Paths:

Open to all, Sunday 10 June and Sunday 8 July, 2pm – 5pm.

Come and discover a remote rural corner of Saint Francis' Parish; enjoy the gardens, the meadows and the sheep, and visit the Mediaeval Church of St Michael. Free of charge. Voluntary donations invited to Aid to the Church in Need. Address: Roydon Hall Road, East Peckham, TN12 5NH. Call 01622 812368 for directions or further information.

Visit to Poppy Factory, Richmond

In this year in which the country celebrates the end of the Great War, the Friends of Tunbridge Wells Cemetery have organised a coach trip to the Poppy Factory in Richmond on Wednesday 20th June including lunch. They have a small number of seats available. For further details please contact the organiser, Felicity Brown, on 01892 545850.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

There are about 40 packs of Gift Aid envelopes waiting to be collected from the Church Office. If you haven't received your box or are expecting one please check with Daniele or Sue during office hours.

OFFERTORY

Offertory	£2,055.40
Outreach	
Shimbwe Trust	£710.49
CAFOD	£5
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Thank you for your generosity

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 9th The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**2.30 pm Polish Catechism – MR2
3.00 pm First Holy Communion Mass**

SUNDAY 10th 10th Sunday Yr B Ps Wk 2

9.30am First Holy Communion Mass

OUTREACH CaTEW Catholic Trust for England and Wales. This trust is the vehicle established by the Bishop's Conference through which the Catholic Church in England and Wales carries out its administrative activities and responsibilities including finance, fund raising, personnel and premises. For more information, see www.catholic-ew.org.uk.

TUESDAY 12th

8.00 pm Running the Race of Life with the Holy Spirit Talk by Barbara Onuonga – Church

WEDNESDAY 13th St Anthony of Padua

FRIDAY 15th

7.00 pm Confirmation Group - Hall

SATURDAY 16th

**3.00 pm First Holy Communion
Thanksgiving Rehearsal - Church**

SUNDAY 17th 11th Sunday, Yr B Ps Wk 3

**9.30 am First Holy Communion
Thanksgiving Mass.** Opportunity

for photos etc after the celebrations & cake in the hall

**11.00 am First Holy Communion Party - Hall
OUTREACH Day for Life – This is the day in**

the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The proceeds of the collection assist the work of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other life related activities supported by the Church. Please see www.dayforlife.org/home

On Friday 22 June the 7.30pm Mass is cancelled because Confirmation rehearsal will be taking place in the church.