



WHAT SHALL WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO DIED?



What shall we pray for those who died, those on whose death our lives relied?
Silenced by war but not denied, **God give them peace.**

What shall we pray for those who mourn friendships and love, their fruit unborn?
Though years have passed, hearts still are torn; **God give them peace.**

What shall we pray for those who live tied to the past they can't forgive,
haunted by terrors they relive? **God give them peace.**

What shall we pray for those who know nothing of war, and cannot show
grief or regret for friend or foe? **God give them peace.**

What shall we pray for those who fear war, in some guise, may reappear looking
attractive and sincere? **God give them peace.**

God give us peace and more than this, show us the path where justice is; and let us never be remiss working for peace that lasts.

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Spiritual adventure by Monika Miliczek

In the spiritual life, if we cooperate with the grace of the Holy Spirit, we are always becoming more and more like Christ, allowing Him to work within us and through us. However, sometimes on the spiritual journey, we become lazy, burnt out and get stuck. I can't say that's exactly what happened to me, but I found myself in need of being refreshed and empowered anew. We all need the power of God's Holy Spirit to live out our daily lives in the midst of the struggles and temptations in today's world.

This autumn our parish ran The Life in the Spirit Seminars. We gathered as a community on Monday evenings to explore topics including the message of salvation, build an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ, as well as the potential and the power of the Holy Spirit. We prayed, worshipped and shared our thoughts with each other in small groups.

Every Monday a different speaker was invited to give us a talk. I must admit I was deeply touched by their testimony, nourishing talks and the encouragement they left in my heart to seek God more profoundly and to be open to His presence. We had also time for small group discussion as we journeyed together in faith. Once again, I've met some lovely people, so approachable and open who I discovered have the same desire for God as me. I found myself being able to share things that I have been unable to share with anyone before.

Through the talks we were led to embrace and receive God's unconditional love, invite Him into our lives, to act within us and fill us with the gifts we need in our daily lives. I learnt that our relationship with Jesus is a relationship of love and so we need to be constantly talking to him telling of our love, needs, and secrets. In turn He also wants to talk to us so we need to give Him space to do so, just sitting in His divine presence and listening. Obedience and trust also play a very significant role and help to discern God's Will. We've got to be willing to be transformed and walk in the Holy Spirit, who always whispers in our heart the Love of the Father and of the Son.

Sometimes He removes our pain through healing, at other times He gives us the power and strength to come through the pain. Sometimes He calms the storm, at other times He calms us to deal with the storm. I know I still have a very long way to grow. It is a lifetime's work, but we must never slow down and think we have arrived. There is always more to do. Always more to learn. However we should not be afraid, because everything is possible by His grace. Thank you all for our spiritual journey together and I hope it is just a beginning...



**THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A PSALTER WEEK 4
PARISH MASS BOOK
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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 12th 32th Sunday Yr A, Ps Wk 4
Remembrance Day

OUTREACH Archbishop's Administration Fund The Diocese of Southwark is very large and its administration costs are high. Please give generously. Eligible for Gift Aid.

TUESDAY 14th

8.00 pm RCIA Fr Peter's Room

8.00 pm Baptism Preparation - Hall

WEDNESDAY 15th

7.00 pm Taizé Prayer - Church

THURSDAY 16th

7.00 pm Rise Theatre "Oscar Romero - Heartbeat of El Salvador" - Church

SATURDAY 18th

2.30 pm Polish Catechism - Hall

7.00 pm Parish Quiz Night - Hall

SUNDAY 19th 33rd Sunday Yr A Ps Wk 1

OUTREACH Care4Calais, an English and French charity which encourages the public to welcome refugees. It provides direct aid to refugees living in northern France who lack winter clothing, adequate food and other daily essentials. For more information, please see care4calais.org

THANK YOU TO PARISH

I am writing on behalf of the School Community and Governors of St. Augustine's to express our thanks and gratitude to the PPC for consenting to the Outreach Collection on the 15th October to benefit the school. The sum raised (£566.78) was very generous.

I would also like to express my gratitude to the Parishioners of St. Augustine's for their generous financial support in assisting to nurture and educate our children; many of whom are Parishioners of the Church.

With all good wishes.

Judy Green (Chair of Governors)

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Mass Times

Sunday Masses

Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sun 8.00 am

9.30 am Family Mass with Music Group & Children's Liturgy

11.15 am Sung Mass with Traditional Choir

5.45 pm

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Thurs: 7.30 & 10.00 am

Wed: 7.30 am, 12.30 pm

7.30 pm Extraordinary Form Mass (1st Wednesday each month)

4.30 pm Burrswood (2nd Wednesday each month)

Fri: 7.30, 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

Sat 8.00 and 10.00am

Reconciliation

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

Evening prayers of the Church with Benediction - Sunday 4.00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration Monday 6.30 am - 8.00 pm

Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am -1.00 pm, **Friday** 6.30 am - 9.00 pm

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

Rosary Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri after 10.00 am Mass.

Rosary Intention: For those who died in war and their families.

Prayer Groups

Genacolo Thurs, Blessed Sacrament, 2.30 pm

Charismatic Tues, Church, 8.00 pm

Christian Meditation Tues, Hall/MR3 2.00 pm

Mothers Prayers Tue, Meet Room 3 10.45 am

Choir Practices

Music Group Thurs 8.00 pm

Traditional Sun 10.30 am

Uniform Groups

Rainbows Wed 4.15 pm

Brownies Wed 5.30 pm

Guides Wed 7.00 pm

Senior Section Wed 7.00 pm

Beavers Thurs 4.15 pm

Cubs Thurs 6.00 pm

Scouts Thurs 8.00 pm

PLEASE NOTE - The groups listed above meet **every week at the same time and on the same day**. Any alteration will be shown in the diary section of the newsletter.

BAPTISMS - We are pleased to welcome **Hetty, Finley & Phoebe** to our parish community. There are leaflets entitled "Your Baby's Baptism at St Augustine's" in the church porch. Contact Jean Dunne, (01892 309062) and Jean will send you a baptism preparation pack.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the souls of **Nicole Brown, Christine Murray, Rosemary Bennett, Paddy Flynn, Michael McGowan and Christopher Winder**.

Please also remember the sick and housebound in your prayers.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Acquire the habit of speaking to God as if you were alone with Him, familiarly and with confidence and love, as to the dearest and most loving of friends.

St Alphonsus Liguori

OFFERTORY

Offertory £ 785.07

GA £654.45

Outreach SVP £887.99

Cafod £27

Mitapeep £26.50

Thank you for your generosity.

Catholic Legacy Week 5-11th November



Gifts in your Will are a wonderful way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Do please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information pick up a leaflet; contact Your Catholic Legacy on 020 7095 5370; go to www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk or contact Adrian Radford, the Diocesan Financial Controller, by email: adrian.radford@finance-rcdsouthwark.org

Confirmation 2018

Confirmation will take place on June 24th 2018. If you are in year 10 or above and wish to be confirmed please take an application form from the narthex.

A meeting for Candidates and parents will be on Sunday 14th January after the 5.45pm Mass and the programme will start on Friday 19th January.

FOOD BANK SALE

Look out for a table sale of food items not suitable for the bags that we hand out each week, outside the Church after all Sunday Masses on the

25/26th November – any reasonable offer or donations accepted. We will spend the cash raised on special items to put in the Christmas hampers.



Christmas Cards for Cambodia

Around this time of year we also remember our twin parish and send them religious Christmas cards which are always received with pleasure.

The address is: Fr Bongbong Catholic Church, PO Box 601 Kompong Thom, Cambodia

Bibliodrama Youth Group

Would you like to experience another way to engage with the liturgy? Are you in years 7-9? Then come along to our drama workshops! They will be held on two Monday evenings, leading up to performing at **Youth Mission Sunday Mass on the 26th November**. There are sign up forms in the porch, or you can email/call the youth leader Sorcha for more information - youthleader@st-augustine.co.uk or 07948 970 995



Hospice Christmas Market

At the hospice in Pembury

Friday 17th Nov 6-8pm £10 entry
18th and 19th 10-4 £3 entry children free. Fr Christmas visiting 11-2.

Filipino Mass New Year's Day 2pm

with celebration afterwards in Hall – further details Jaime Vidamo
TW 531288

Tunbridge Wells Churches Winter Shelter Commissioning Service

will take place on Saturday 25 November; 6pm at the Salvation Army on Bayhall Road. Everyone is welcome, please do come along to thank God for the provision of the Winter Shelter and to commission all who will be involved, in whatever capacity.

PRE CHRISTMAS LUNCH

At Guseppe's Restaurant
High Rocks - £26 per person
Wed. 6th December at 2 pm

Forms in the porch. Please fill in and hand into the office asap – a lovely occasion closing date 19/11/17.

Ladies Lunch and Prayer Group Monday 20th November 2017

I regret that there will not be a meeting this month, as I shall be away on a retreat in Walsingham.

We will have our annual prayers for Christmas in the Church, remembering all our loved ones near and far.

The next meeting will be on December 17th at 12 noon not 12.30pm. Please make a note of the different time. All are welcome, just come along or phone me. WITH ALL GOD'S BLESSINGS.
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2018 Diaries now available

Cost 60p in support of our twin parish in Kompong Thom!!

Calais Migrants

There is now an urgent need for clothes for MEN only, especially small sizes (S. and M.) including coats, blankets, sleeping bags, scarves, gloves, hats. The Justice and Peace Group will take in any items you can bring to the church the weekend 18th/19th November and arrange for transport to Calais. At the same time there will be an Outreach collection for Care4Calais, a charity distributing goods and providing services for the migrants in Calais.

FIRST COMMUNION 2018

First Communion Application Packs are available from the table in the Narthex. Please take a pack and return your completed application to the Church office by 14th November 2017.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Anyone interested in joining the event team please contact Anuj Mathew on anujmathew@gmail.com or leave your contact details in church office.



'Waiting in Wonder' Retreat

is a retreat for young adults (aged 18-35) being held 1st-3rd December at Worth Abbey, near Crawley. It is an opportunity to enter more deeply into the themes of Advent in preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas, talks from the monks and members of the Wellspring Community, space for reflection, participation in the rhythm of prayer with the monastic community (The Divine Office), Lectio Divina, walks in the beautiful Sussex countryside, and time for building community and friendships (plus mulled wine and minced pies!)

The cost is £62 for students/unwaged, £102 waged, and includes meals and accommodation. To book, or for more info, please email Katrina at TOC@worthabbey.net

Volunteer Request

In our troubled environment and the current security level, the risk of violent attacks on Parishioners attending Mass may no longer be considered as remote. Whilst an attack is unlikely, as a Parish community we must fulfil our responsibility for the safety of Parishioners. We are seeking 3 or maximum 5 volunteers to form a temporary Working Group to discuss and draft a strategy for managing this risk. We envisage this working group will meet monthly for at least 6 months and thereafter be disbanded.

Please contact the Chair of the Parish Council to discuss the terms of reference and with any other questions you may have.
chair-parishcouncil@st-augustine.co.uk

Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies (CCRS)

The bishops would very much like to encourage uptake and study of the Catholic CCRS. It is designed for people engaged in the communication of their Catholic Faith. More information about the course including start dates, fees and to enrol on the course via email at ccrs@ccftootingbec.org.uk or on 0208 672 7684

Cambodia Update

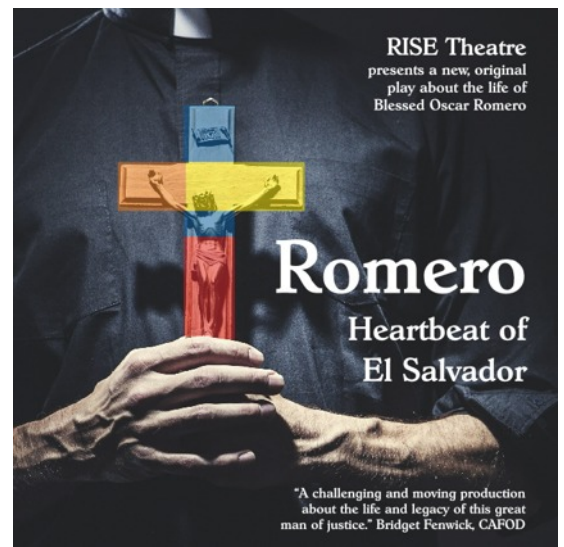
On 24th September Msgr. Enrique Figaredo, SJ, (Bishop Kike) Prefect of the Battambang Prefecture visited Kompong Thom and during his visitation, confirmed four parishioners from the communities of Kompong Koh, Preb Sbow, and Kompong Roteh

The Confirmation Mass was held at Kompong Koh Church on the Sunday morning and in the afternoon Bishop Kike led the blessing of the Charnel House located inside the Preb Sbow Church Cemetery.

At the beginning of October, twenty one young people from Kompong Thom Church joined the Battambang Youth Synod where the theme was "The Word of God as the Foundation of Life." There will be a report on this in the newsletter for 26th November. Fr Bong Bong has now left Kom Pong Thom for a new appointment and his replacement Fr Mark will be installed as Parish priest whilst Fr Peter is visiting our twin parish. Please see the Kompong Thom Notice board in the narthex for more pictures.



Traditional dancing during the Confirmation Mass at Kompong Koh.



RISE Theatre returns

We welcome Rise Theatre back for an emotional rendition of 'OSCAR ROMERO - HEARTBEAT OF EL SALVADOR' 16th November at 7.30pm in the church. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets are £10, and under 18's go free with a paying adult! Tickets available from the parish office. (Not suitable for those under 11yrs)



Aylesford Priory Christmas Fayre

Saturday & Sunday
25th & 26th November

Seasonal entertainment, lovely family day out. Polar Express Train, Ice Rink, Craft & Gift Stalls. Entry £4.50 adults, children under 12 free.

PARISH COMMUNITY EVENT TEAM



Church what is that? It's not the building, it's a community coming together & celebrating. We hear in the readings and homilies that celebrating together is key to community.

Whilst we as a parish, have lots of shared spiritual celebrations, **which is most important**, we've lately neglected getting together for more social occasions.

The PPC have now re-launched a parish community event team to try and build upon the social community of St. Augustine's. If you would like to help in this please let us know, contact Anuj Mathew on anujmathew@gmail.com



As you may have seen from posters in the narthex and notices in the newsletter, our first event will be a QUIZ EVENING on Sat 18-Nov from 7:00 pm. Tasty pizzas will be served in the break (in quiz); also refreshments and nibbles. **There will also be a raffle for various luxurious prizes. So bring your money along!!! Tickets £10 per person includes pizza & soft drinks. Max 80 tickets - pre-book from church office to avoid being disappointed on the night.**

We will have teams of 6. The office have a list and can always put you into a team. We will make sure no one who has a ticket is left out.

PROFITS FROM THE EVENT WILL GO TO MARY'S MEALS.

**ALL NEW GIFTS TO MARY'S MEALS WILL BE DOUBLED FROM NOW UNTIL END OF DECEMBER
THEY HAVE A VERY GENEROUS DONOR WHO WILL DOUBLE DONATIONS**

We encourage those who can, to come along and take part in what should be a fun evening for all (except the team coming in last !).

