

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

Evening prayer with Benediction

Sunday 4.00pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - 6.30 am - 8.00 pm
Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am - 1.00 pm
Friday 6.30am - 9.00pm

Morning Prayers

Monday- Friday 7.00am, Saturday 7.40am

Rosary

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri before 10.00 am Mass

Rosary Intention For those whose much needed work goes unnoticed and unthanked.

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/Hall
Meditation
Keralan Fri, Meet Room 3
Call 0786 2297715 for more details
Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3
Prayers

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 off the website - <http://www.st-augustine.co.uk/newsletters.php>

ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

21st May 2017



St Augustine by Deacon Kevin Dunne



27th of May is the feast of Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop, Apostle of England and Patron of our Diocese, our Parish and Primary School. Italian by birth, a pupil of Felix, bishop of Messina, and a companion of Gregory, Augustine became a monk and later prior of the monastery of St. Andrew on the Celian Hill, Rome. In 596 he was chosen by Gregory, now Pope, to head the mission of thirty monks sent to evangelise the Anglo-Saxons. In Gaul he wished to turn back, but Gregory gave them fresh encouragement, defined Augustine's authority more clearly, and consecrated him bishop.

The party landed at Ebbsfleet [Kent] in 597. They were cautiously received by Ethelbert, King of Kent and overlord of the other tribes south of the Humber. He gave them a house in Canterbury, allowed them to preach, but required time to consider their message before committing himself to becoming a Christian. His wife Bertha, was a Christian princess from Paris; but she and her chaplain Liudhard appear to have taken no significant part in the conversion of Kent, the most sophisticated of the Anglo-Saxon kingdoms.

By 601 Ethelbert and many of his people were baptised, and many more clergy were sent from Rome, together with books, relics, and altar vessels. Augustine built the first cathedral at Canterbury, which included married clerks as well as priests on its staff. Augustine also founded the monastery of Sts Peter and Paul, the diocese of Rochester and London, for this he was made an Archbishop and received the pallium sent from Rome. Augustine died on the 26th May and was buried in his monastery; his body was transferred in 1091 to the Cathedral.

REGINA CAELI

O Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia!
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia!
Has risen, as He said, alleluia!
Pray for us to God, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia!

**6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
YEAR A PSALTER WEEK 2
PARISH MASS BOOK
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St Gregory's Catholic School – Open Events 2017

Come and see the school on a normal working day. Tours of the school followed by coffee and an informal chat with the Headteacher in the library.

Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 June - 9:00am & 11am

Wednesday 27 & Thursday 28 September - 9:00am & 11am

Thursday 28 September - Open Evening 4.30pm to 7pm

Wednesday 18 & Thursday 19 October 2017 - 9:00am & 11am

At St Gregory's we are an integral part of the Catholic community and committed to supporting parents in the academic, physical, spiritual, moral and religious education of their children. We are an Ofsted Outstanding school and progress students beyond the expectations set at primary school, many outperform their grammar school peers.

Congratulations

Father Peter Kelly celebrated the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination on May 15th. Please remember Fr Peter in your prayers.

ORGAN RECITAL

The celebrations to mark Fr Peter's Jubilee in June will begin on **Wednesday 21st June**, with an organ recital to be given at St Augustine's by James O'Donnell. James is the Organist & Master of the Choristers at Westminster Abbey, and so is in charge of the music at all royal and state events that take place there. The recital will start at 8pm. **If you are willing to display a poster for the concert, please collect from the table in the narthex.**

Wednesday 21st June at 8pm

St Augustine's Church

Admission by programme (£10) available from the parish office or Brittans. Profits will be shared between Hospice in the Weald and Mary's Meals.

FOOD BANK SALE

Thank you very much to everyone who supported the Food Bank Sale on the weekend 13/14th May. The wonderful sum of £300 was raised which will help to fill depleted shelves.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Please collect your box of **GIFT AID ENVELOPES** which are now available in the narthex.

DAVID SMITH RIP

The Funeral of David Smith, who (became part of our community when he) adopted our church (and its grounds) as his home, will be at Brighton Downs Crematorium, Bear Road, BN2 3PL (for the SatNav) at 1 pm on Wednesday 24th May. The family is happy to welcome parishioners.

SIGNING A CARD FOR A PRISONER

There will be an opportunity to sign a card for a prisoner of faith on **SATURDAY 27th MAY at 10.35 am** in the hall. Refreshments will be served. Help at hand if needed. **All welcome.**

Tunbridge Wells Yard Sale

I am taking part in Tunbridge Wells Yard Sale in support of Hospice-in-the-Weald. I do need good second-hand goods for sale, by 3rd June 2017. Please contact Deacon Kevin email kdunne246@gmail.com or phone 309062

ALTAR SERVERS Training day

10.30 am on Saturday 3rd June 2017

St Gregory's Golden Jubilee Ball

8th July at 6pm, in the

Victorian Theatre on Salomon's Estate to celebrate the school's first 50 years

A glass of Prosecco (or non-alcoholic alternative) and canapés on the terrace will await you, before a two-course dinner. Following this will be a fundraising auction for the school. Finally a live band, 'Scuffed Soul' will lead dancing until midnight.

Former students and parents as well as staff and governors, past and present are warmly invited to attend what will be a special and memorable event for the whole community. **Tickets £50 per person available via the school [website](#). Only 200 tickets, so hurry!!**

Holy Shop

The Holy Shop has a great selection of Gifts and Cards for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We also have a new selection of Children's Bibles and Books and Much, Much More! The Holy Shop is normally open after each Sunday Mass and the mid morning Mass during the week.

TRANSPORT TO MASS - The Welfare Team would like to establish a pool of cars available to transport parishioners with difficulties getting to Mass on a Sunday. If you regularly have a spare seat could you please give your name to the Office stating which Mass you could transport to and from which area of Town.

OFFERTORY

Offertory	£997.13
GA	£938.80
Outreach SVP	£935.75
GA	£529.20
CAFOD	£8.60
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Thank you for your generosity.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 20th

2.30 pm Polish Catechism - MR2

**SUNDAY 21st 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
Yr A Ps Wk 2**

OUTREACH Victim Support is an independent charity providing support to anyone affected by crime: victims, their families and friends and witnesses. It will not contact the Police unless asked or unless it considers that someone is at risk. See www.victimsupport.org.uk

**WEDNESDAY 24th Dedication of
St Augustine's Church**

**4.00 pm First Holy Communion
Rehearsal for 9.30 Mass Sunday 4th June**

THURSDAY 25th St Bede the Venerable

FRIDAY 26th St Philip Neri

**SATURDAY 27th St Augustine of
Canterbury**

10.35 am Card signing - Hall

**SUNDAY 28th The Ascension Of The Lord
Yr A Ps Wk 3**

7.00 pm Confessions in Polish

7.30 pm Mass in Polish

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OUTREACH World Communications Day This collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network, the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN offers professional channels of communication and promotes the Gospel through news releases, features and podcasts.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When our hands have touched spices, they give fragrance to all they handle. Let us make our prayers pass through the hands of the Blessed Virgin. She will make them fragrant.

St. John Vianney