

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: That the Life in the Spirit seminars will encourage us to think about our faith and its place in our lives.

Prayer Groups

- Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -
Blessed Sacrament
Charismatic Tues, 8.00 pm - Church
Christian Tues, 2.00 pm- MR3/Hall
Meditation
Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3
Prayers

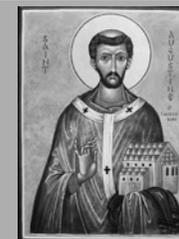
Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, **although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed.** Contributions to: newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

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

FACEBOOK The church has a Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/StAugustines-church-Kent-330681750684291/> Its usage will evolve over time. Please let us have any comments or ideas about this new development. Email Lisa Beaumont at thebeaumonts@hotmail.com

ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

24th September 2017



Fr Lixon Cyriac OFMcap.



I was born in Kerala, a state in the southern tip of India. Having completed high school education and inspired by the life of St Francis, I joined the Franciscan Capuchins in 1994 (OFMcap – Order of Friars Minor Capuchin) which explains the letters after my name. After several years of formation which included spiritual and religious formation, university studies, degrees in philosophy and theology and other exposure programmes, I made my final commitment to the Capuchin order in 2005 and was ordained a priest in 2006. I belong to the Pavanatma (meaning Holy Spirit in my native tongue)

Capuchin Province, Kerala, India.

After ordination, my first appointment was in a parish for four months after which I moved to a newly erected monastery as one of the pioneering members where I served for one year. I was then called to the provincial curia to work as the Provincial Secretary for a period of three years during which time I also assisted in the local parish.

I arrived in the UK in October, 2011 as the assistant priest in St Thomas More, E. Dulwich. Serving in the parish also enabled me to complete a Master's degree in psychotherapy and counselling which I would like to pursue even further. St Augustine's is my second parish in England. I am very grateful for the warm welcome and looking forward to serving the parish.

Tunbridge Wells Welcomes Refugees (TWWR)

TWWR started in January 2016 and we welcome, support and help refugees become integrated in Tunbridge Wells. At the present time we support 7 Syrian families who have arrived here through the government's Syrian Vulnerable Persons Relocation Scheme and also some refugees who have arrived through other ways. Some of them have been here for 2 years and some for less than 2 months. They have lost everything from their homes in Syria but are all very pleased to be here safe and sound.

Each refugee family or unit is allocated a team of volunteers from TWWR who visit regularly. Volunteers get to know the families and do such things as teach English, take them on outings, help with understanding cultural expectations and take them to medical appointments or shopping. It is known that social isolation can cause huge problems and in order to facilitate interactions with their own community, we organise social gatherings on a monthly basis for the Syrians and the volunteers. We are very grateful to be able to use St Augustine's Church Hall for these.

We are busy planning a Festival of Hope on Sunday 8th October. See www.facebook.com/tunbridgewellswelcomesrefugees or <http://tw-welcomesrefugees.org/>
Many thanks for your support. Maura Richards, Chair TWWR
N.B The parish council has agreed the use of the hall starting on 23rd September and then on a monthly basis until December.

24th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
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R.C.I.A. The Journey of Faith

On Monday 9th October at 8 pm, we start the instruction for non-Catholics and those who wish to increase their knowledge of Christianity through the teaching of the Catholic church. The sessions will be held downstairs in the priests' house.

If you are interested please give your name and contact details to the parish office.

+++ LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS +++

Our **Life in the Spirit Seminars** continue in the church on **Monday at 7.45pm.**

The topic for 25th September will be **New Life** and the speaker will be **Barbara Onuongo.**

Why not come along with a friend?

POPE'S VIEWS ON LOVE AND JOY' IN THE FAMILY

10am - 1pm Saturday 30th Sept 2017 West Malling

A meeting for the laity to explore and discuss the Pope's views on Love and Joy in the family This event is suitable for all adult parishioners, and will include suggestions about how to put the Pope's message into practice. Booking essential and for further information please contact carolemflkent@gmail.com or phone: 07983524727 (Tea and coffee will be provided)'

Next week there will be ongoing work on the Fire Alarms, inner church doors & replacement coir door mats. Adoration will continue be as usual but should the adorer find the distraction too great to please let the office know before leaving the Blessed Sacrament unattended.

CHRISTMAS CARDS!

Come and buy your Christmas cards over the weekend of 30th Sept - 1st Oct

See the beautiful handmade **Christmas Cards and Gift Tags of banana fibres** made for Rwanda Aid. By supporting this women's craft co-operative, you are giving them the opportunity to earn an income which can help them access basic health care and send their children to school.

SALE!! *The Holy Shop will also be selling at a reduced price last year's boxes of 18 Christmas Cards for £2 and Packs of 10 small Christmas cards for £1 Plus some other Christmas goodies!*

The 10-Minute Diary.

Do you struggle to find time for God each day? Do you want to deepen your prayer life but not sure where to start? This diary is designed not only to support your daily management of tasks, appointments & events but also to help you to take 10 minutes out of your busy day to meditate on God's Word. Could this help you or make a good Christmas gift?

Come and see and place your order with us on 30th Sept or 1st Oct.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To lead the Rosary before Mass weekdays in October. This will be before 10.00am Mass, Mon, Tues,Thurs, Fri and before 12.30pm on Wednesday. Please give your details to the office. Thank you.

OFFERTORY

Offertory	£899.43
Offertory GA	£827.50
Outreach	£809.93
Street Pastors	
CAFOD	£27.50
Mitapeeap	£34.80

Thank you for your generosity.

YOUTH MISSION EVENING

Our new Youth Leader Sorcha will present her vision for the youth of St Augustine's parish, and welcomes any ideas, suggestions and queries! All are welcome, especially young people. Sunday 24th September in the Parish Hall after 5.45 Mass.

1st October - First Youth Mass and Group 5.45pm is a youth mass - Sorcha is looking for Secondary school-age readers and ministers, please contact her if you would like to take part. Afterwards, until 9.30pm will be the first youth group of Autumn term for ages 14-18 - pizza, games and more!

The Tunbridge Wells Churches' Winter Shelter

This opens on 2nd January 2018. Running for nine weeks, it will provide 12 beds for men or women guests who will be served a hot two course evening meal and breakfast. Intensive support is available to help prepare guests for normal living. Volunteers are needed to staff the shelter, to cook, to wash laundry, cut hair, and to support them all with prayer. Training which is provided is compulsory for new volunteers.

Training Dates:

either **Saturday 14th October, 1pm-4pm** at St Augustine's Church,
or **Wednesday 8th November, 7pm-10pm** at the Salvation Army. Kent Police also expect new volunteers to attend training - dates to be confirmed. Further details from the Project Manager on 07513 377951 or office.twcws@gmail.com

MASS AT SAINT MICHAEL'S (OLD) CHURCH, EAST PECKHAM (Postcode TN12 5NG). **On Michaelmas Eve, Thursday 28 September at 7pm.** Please share transport where possible as parking space at the Church is very limited. Further inquiries to James on 01622 812368.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 23rd

2.30 pm Polish Catechism - Hall

SUNDAY 24th 25th Sunday Yr A Ps Wk 1 Harvest Sunday

9.30 pm Harvest offertory procession.

2.30 pm Mass for the Sick

6.45 pm Parish Youth Mission - Hall

7.00 pm Confessions in Polish

7.30 pm Mass in Polish

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OUTREACH Clergy Support Fund The Clergy Support Fund Campaign supports sick and retired priests of the Southwark Diocese. Throughout their long ministries, our priests have helped and continue to help many thousands of people. They badly need our support, not least because of changes to their former care arrangements. Please see www.southwarkclergy-supportfundcampaign.org

MONDAY 25th

11.30 pm Funeral: Sean Murray

7.45 pm Life in the Spirit Seminar -Church

TUESDAY 26th SS Cosmas and Damian

Noon Tuesday Lunch Group - Hall

8.00 pm Baptism Preparation - Hall

WEDNESDAY 27th St Vincent de Paul

2.30 pm Bible Study - Sacristy

FRIDAY 29th SS Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

12 noon Funeral: Nicole Browne

SATURDAY 30th St Jerome SUNDAY

SUNDAY 1st 26th Sunday Yr A Ps Wk 2

Rosary Sunday

OUTREACH CAFOD Family Fast Day The first Family Fast Day was held in 1960 for a mother and baby clinic in Dominica. This year, the Fast Day focuses on work in El Salvador. See www.cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/ Parish-fundraising/Fast-Day

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Let us love God my brothers, let us love God. But let it be with the strength of our arms and the sweat of our brow. **St Vincent de Paul**