

## 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

### Rosary 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 the refugees of Myanmar and the international band of charity workers and politicians negotiating with the Bangladeshi government for the refugees' protection and fair treatment

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  
Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3  
Prayers

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

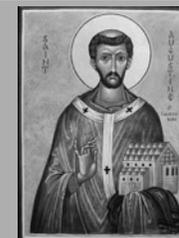
Remember that the Christian life is one of action; not of speech and daydreams. Let there be few words and many deeds, and let them be done well. St. Vincent Pallotti

**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

29th October 2017



## Bereavement Support Team by Margot McAfee



The month of November in the Catholic Church Calendar is dedicated to the Holy Souls and remembering the death of our loved ones. It is therefore a busy month for the Parish Bereavement Support Team when the team organise the Bereavement Mass where parishioners can come together to share their grief and find some comfort in doing so as a Parish. During the year the team meets monthly and processes the information provided by our very helpful and efficient parish

office staff. They provide our team with the names of people recently bereaved. Each team member is given the responsibility of writing to their allocated bereaved person. The letter expresses the Parish's sympathy on their loss and assures them of our prayers and support. The team member follows up the letter with a phone call and offers to meet the bereaved person at a time and place of their choosing. The bereaved person can have ongoing contact by phone or by meeting. In most cases the bereaved person usually has good support from family or friends and does not feel the need for our input. They are very grateful for the Parish's support and prayers and express gratitude for the acknowledgement of their bereavement. The team member always assures them that if in the future they change their mind and need support they only have to contact the office and it will be organised.

The team begins organising the Bereavement Mass in September when an invitation is sent to everyone we have had contact with during the year. We look forward to meeting them and being able to talk after Mass over a cup of tea. The team feels the November Mass is the culmination of our year's work with the bereaved. The Mass is emotional but beautiful where all of us can come as a Parish to remember our loved ones and together shed our tears and share feelings about the ones who were very much a part of our lives but are no longer with us.

*Our Annual Bereavement Mass for the recently bereaved is on **Saturday 4th November at 2.30 pm.** This Mass is open to all who have or are experiencing a loss and is not just for those who have received a specific invitation. Refreshments will be served in the Hall after the Mass. **ALL WELCOME***

## R.C.I.A. The Journey of Faith

**Tuesday** 31st October at 8 pm

Now moved from Mondays to Tuesdays evenings.  
For all wishing 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 come along on Tuesday evenings - all are welcome.*

**30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**YEAR A PSALTER WEEK 2**  
**Parish Mass Book**  
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## RISE Theatre returns

Following on from their fantastic performance last year of 'White Rabbit', 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 under 11s)

## Catholic Legacy Week 5-11<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk) or contact Adrian Radford, the Diocesan Financial Controller, by email: [adrian.radford@finance-rcdsouthwark.org](mailto:adrian.radford@finance-rcdsouthwark.org)

## WONDERFUL SOUTHWARK DAY OF PRAYER ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Saturday 4 November 9.45am - 4.45pm

David Wells keynote talk : 'New People – New Hearts'. Being a missionary disciple in today's anxious world.

Prayer - Reconciliation - Eucharistic Healing Service - Mass.

Coach leaving St Augustine's 8am. Departs St George's Cathedral 4.45pm. Sign up sheet in narthex. All are welcome.

### 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.

## +++ LIFE IN THE SPIRIT+++

Our Life in the Spirit Seminars conclude tomorrow Monday 30th October at 8pm with a Mass of Celebration.  
Fr Peter will be the celebrant.

### Bonfire and Baking

Next Sunday 5th November we'll be celebrating bonfire night at youth group - bring your gloves! Food is provided. Youth Mass is at 5.45pm - are you of secondary school age and able to help as a reader or welcomer?

Email [youthleader@st-augustine.co.uk](mailto:youthleader@st-augustine.co.uk)

### 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](mailto:youthleader@st-augustine.co.uk) or 07948 970 995

### FUN QUIZ NIGHT

As part of parish social events, a fun Quiz night is organised for parishioners and friends on **18th November 2017** at the Parish Hall from 7-9:30pm.

Entry tickets are **£10 each** to include pizzas, nibbles and soft drinks.

All profits will go to Mary's meal.

These social events would be a good opportunity for parish members to socialise and further foster our community in an informal setting. Please contact Parish office for tickets.



## Power To Be

There is a world-wide, long-term aim to provide everyone with access to electricity. One approach is for big companies, supported by government aid budgets, to build large power stations. This is expensive, it uses fossil fuels, sometimes the electricity is priced out of reach of poor people, and is often not available to rural communities.

There is another approach and that is to supply cheap solar panels to villages, simple systems that people can be taught to maintain. CAFOD promotes this and its "Power to be" campaign seeks to divert aid to supporting them. At present only 3 percent of World Bank funds are spent on cheap, renewable systems. Next week you will be invited to sign a CAFOD card asking our own Government to use its influence to persuade the World Bank to increase its support for systems that do not damage the environment and directly benefit the poorest communities in developing countries.

### Rwanda Aid Christmas Cards

Sally & David Chaplin would like to say a big Thank You for your support for their charity Rwanda Aid. They sold almost £490 worth of cards! We have a selection of both their Greetings Cards and their Christmas Cards plus some Gift tag cards in the Holy Shop for anyone who was unable to come to the sale.

### Old round one poundcoins

Although the old round one pound coins are no longer legal tender, we are happy to continue to accept them in all collections until further notice.

### OFFERTORY

Offertory	£870.75
GA	£718.10
Outreach : Missio	£764.91
CAFOD	£42
Mitapeap:	£58.90

Thank you for your generosity.

## THIS WEEK

FRIDAY 27<sup>th</sup>

8.00 pm Medjugorje DVD showing - Hall

SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup> Sts. Simon and Jude

10.00 am Medjugorje DVD showing - Hall

SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY Yr A PsWk 2

OUTREACH Emergency Appeal Burma

Rohingya More than half a million people are now estimated to have fled to Bangladesh. In coordination with other agencies and the Bangladeshi government CAFOD hope to reach more than 60,000 vulnerable people with food, clean water and shelter.

MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup>

7.45 pm Life in the Spirit Seminar  
Celebration Mass - Canon Peter Stodart

WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> All Saints' Day

Masses at 7.30am, 12.30pm & 8.00pm

THURSDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> Commemoration of the

Faithful Departed - Masses as usual  
Masses at 7.30am, 10.00pm & 8.00pm

FRIDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>

11.30 am Funeral: Rosemary Bennett

2.00 pm Funeral: Patrick Flynn

Due to the funerals, there will be no  
Adoration from 10am until 3pm.

SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> St Charles Borromeo

SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY Yr A PsWk 3

5.45 pm Youth Mass followed immediately afterwards by Youth Groups in the Hall. Finishes at 9pm.

OUTREACH S.V.P. Regularly contributing to the SVP Central Disaster Fund, making immediate donations to the SVP when an emergency or disaster occurs. St. Augustine's SVP also supports two twinned SVP groups in Southern India.

If you're interested in joining our them at their fortnightly meetings, please leave your name, and contact details with the parish office; otherwise, your generosity to this excellent organisation will be put to very good use.