

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 all students and teachers, at the start of a new academic year, that they may have a strong and positive

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

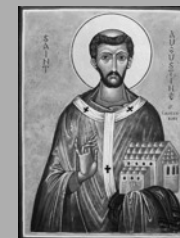
Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, **although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed.** Contributions to: newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

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

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

10th September 2017



Pope Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church Apostle of the English, Feast 3rd September by Deacon Kevin Dunne



The connection between St. Gregory's and St. Augustine's schools in Tunbridge Wells is more than just names. The connection between Gregory and Augustine goes back to the 6th century. Gregory was one of the most important popes and influential writers of the Middle Ages.

Gregory was the son of a Roman senator and entered the service of the state as a young man. But in 573 he sold his enormous properties; he founded six monasteries in Sicily and a seventh in Rome, and gave generously to the poor. The next year he entered his own monastery of St. Andrew as a monk. Pope Benedict I called him out of the monastery to

become one of the seven Deacons of Rome. Then Gregory became the abbot of St. Andrew's; it was his hope to lead some missionaries to the Anglo-Saxons, but he was elected pope.

Frustrated that he could not now go to the Anglo-Saxons, he arranged for Augustine and his monks to go on this hazardous but imaginative undertaking. When Augustine arrived in Kent he converted the king to the Roman Catholic faith.

The Roman Catholic Church was now established in Kent. Augustine established a monastery in Canterbury and built the first cathedral there. Gregory appointed him to be the first Archbishop of Canterbury. In 1838 the first Catholic Church to be built in Tunbridge Wells was named St. Augustine, and later St. Augustine's school was built. When a secondary school was needed, it had to be called St. Gregory's.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

He knew how to make himself the "servant of the servants". Precisely because he was this, he is great and also shows us the measure of true greatness.

Pope Benedict XVI on St Gregory the Great

**TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A PSALTER WEEK 2
PARISH MASS BOOK
Readings: from page 122
Preface: from page 66**

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

Our parish will be running in Life in the Spirit Seminars in the church every Monday for 7 weeks, starting on Monday 11th September.

Make a note of the date in your diary.

The seminars are a spiritual journey led each week by a variety of experienced speakers, including Archbishop (Emeritus) Kevin McDonald, culminating with a Mass of Celebration with Fr Peter. There are leaflets below the poster in the porch, please pick one up. Why not come along with a friend?



***** MASS FOR THE SICK *****

Sunday 24th September at 2.30pm

This is the Annual Celebration of Mass which includes the Anointing of the Sick for those in the parish whose health has become a worry. That means it's not just for the elderly, nor even just for the seriously unwell. So, if you would feel you would benefit from receiving this healing sacrament, whatever age you are, or know of someone else who would, please take a form from the Narthex and return it completed to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Lifts will be arranged, and the afternoon ends with a welcome cup of tea in the Hall.



HARVEST SUNDAY 2017 SUNDAY 24th SEPTEMBER

Parishioners may wish to bring tinned food to Mass for distribution to the needy. At the 9:30am Mass the children will present their gifts at the Offertory; at all other Masses please place your tins on the table beside the altar. The Welfare Team asks everyone to be really generous this year. The churches have been overwhelmed with requests for help this year, and their cupboards are bare. The Welfare Team specially asks for: **TINNED MEAT, TINNED VEGETABLES** (Carrots, Peas, Potatoes, Sweet Corn—NOT Chick Peas, Mushy Peas, Kidney Beans), **TINNED SPAGHETTI, MACARONI CHEESE AND RAVIOLI, TINNED FRUIT, TINNED RICE & CUSTARD, TEA, COFFEE, SUGAR** – not large/catering sizes, **LONG-LIFE MILK, SQUASH, JAMS, NUTELLA, BREAKFAST CEREALS, BISCUITS & SWEETS.** Regretfully, we are unable to distribute fresh fruit and vegetables.

CAFOD ESSENTIALS DAY You are invited!

Saturday 9 September 2017, 10am – 3:15pm Bring and Share Lunch!
Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB
Nearest Stations: Lambeth North and Waterloo

Local volunteers are an essential part of its mission in this country. Our parish group have recently lost two of their members sadly, one has died, and the other through retirement. If you are interested in joining St Augustine's group, you would find it very useful to attend the "Essentials Day course" on **Saturday 9 September 2017 from 10am to 3:15pm at Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB** (Nearest Stations: Lambeth North and Waterloo). See poster for more details. Contact Laurie Clegg for further information - 01892 525046 - the B.T. system will ask you to give your name.

CAFOD
Just one world

It's that time of year again!!

St. Augustine's

Parish International Mass

Saturday 9th September at 5.30pm

After the Mass there is a party in the Hall, please bring a plate of 'finger' food

BEECHWOOD Sacred Heart SCHOOL

Open Day Saturday 7th October 2017

9.30 am to 1 pm

Headmaster's presentation at 11 am

For details www.beechwood.org.uk

or 01892 532 747

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

If you are going into hospital and would like a priest to visit you during your stay it is essential that you let one of the priests know. Tunbridge Wells hospital and many other hospitals do not inform us when Catholic patients are admitted.

STREET PASTORS

Saturday 9th September 7-11pm at Daily Bread - 27-29 High Street, Rusthall are holding a fundraising night for Tunbridge Wells street pastors in Rusthall. Tickets £15. there will be light refreshments and a licensed bar. music from the Stuart Jackaman GUITAR/ORGAN TRIO - Book now to avoid disappointment. tunbridgewells@streetpastors.org.uk

OFFERTORY

Offertory	£756.11
Offertory GA	£679.50
Outreach	
Winter Shelter	£915.92
CAFOD	£11
Mitapeeap	£30.70

Thank you for your generosity.

THIS WEEK

SATURDAY 2nd September

10.30 am Charismatic Prayer Group -HALL

SUNDAY 3rd 22nd Sunday Yr A Ps Wk 2

OUTREACH Street Pastors are trained volunteers from local churches who care about their community. They patrol in teams of men and women, usually from 10 pm to 4 am on a Friday and Saturday night, to care for, listen to and help people who are out on the streets.

FRIDAY 8th Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SATURDAY 9th

1.00 pm Marriage - Joanne and Benjamin

5.30 pm International Mass in Church followed by refreshments in Hall

SUNDAY 10th 23rd SUNDAY YR A Ps WK 3

OUTREACH Catholic Education Service The CES has been supporting Catholic education since 1847. It is an agency of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales and represents the Bishops' national education policy in relation to about 2,300 Catholic schools, colleges and universities in England and Wales. For more information, <http://www.catholiceducation.org.uk>

Heritage Open Days

St Augustine's is available for visits on Thursday 7 Friday 8 and Saturday 9 from 10 to 5 and on Sunday 10 from 2 to 5. There will be a talk on the works of Decimus Burton in the church hall on Sunday 10th September at 14.00.

CHURCH EVACUATION PRACTICE

There will be a practice of the evacuation procedure after each of the Sunday Masses at some time during September. This is obviously an inconvenience but in the light of the violent events that we have witnessed in recent months please do take this seriously so that we can keep the Church as safe as possible. There is an information leaflet available in a container on the wall by the main inner door to the Church.