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**Welcome to our weekly newsletter for
Good News for Friday 3 March 2023**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
 We are at the start of the second session of our Lent Course, 'Holy Habits', this week we are considering Jesus' serving with gladness and how we can take up his example as Christians in our own community. If you have not managed to be a part of this yet there is still plenty of time to join a group, perhaps via zoom this Saturday at 10.00am or Tuesday at 7.30pm, zoom details are below.
We have been talking in our groups about how our church reaches out to our community already (such as through Warm Welcome Space, CAMEO and, this month 'Daffodils on the Green' (see below) and with this in mind we are well into planning the celebration of the coronation of King Charles III on the weekend of 6th, 7th and 8th May. Please save the date as we intend to have activities taking place over the weekend that we can all engage with.
Please continue to pray for Ukraine, Turkey and Syria especially, to show that they have not been forgotten. A good reminder might be to put an image of one of these country's flag on your mobile device as a screensaver so that this triggers your heart and memory!

**Prayer**Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

God Bless you
**Revd Steve Spencer & Revd Rachel Winn**

**This Week Services**

**Sunday 5th March ~ Second Sunday of Lent:**
**St Augustine's Church** Southborough Lane, Bickley, Bromley BR2 8AT.
**Café Church** ~ 10.00am

If you are unable to come this service will be Live-Streamed on our YouTube channel address:

[https://youtube.com/channel/UCR70BiHHimXOLZpMSXV44IQ](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fst-augustines.us20.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D484cb96eebe8913fdb971589a%26id%3D89f7fbcbe3%26e%3Dd0aedad45f&data=05%7C01%7C%7C97eb1fcb6fde46ee87da08da243cb8f8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637862140468828692%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=WFc3J1ZBBuUyhgyKSC6yV5sw%2BEFUmMUs264loY88Ml0%3D&reserved=0)

**Collect**

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings.
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Scripture Readings:**
**First Bible Reading:         Romans 4: 1-5 + 13-17**
**Second Bible Reading:     John 3: 1-17**

**Next Week Services**

**Sunday 12th March ~ Third Sunday of Lent:**
**St Augustine's Church** Southborough Lane, Bickley, Bromley BR2 8AT.
**Holy Communion** ~ 10.00am

**Next St Luke’s Services**

**Sunday 26th March ~ Fifth Sunday of Lent:**
**Holy Communion** ~ 5.30pm

**PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES**

**Keys**

If you have a church key could you please let the office know (either by email or catching us on a Sunday).  We are putting together a list of who has keys and what these keys are for. Also we are holding a key amnesty so if you have church keys that you no longer need please return them.

**Lent Resource Books**
These are ready to pick up at the back of church on Sunday.  If you haven't yet paid for it please leave the £2.99 in the pot beside the books when you pick up.

**Diary:**
Why not click on the link to download this and join us where you can? Find the March Diary [here](https://mcusercontent.com/484cb96eebe8913fdb971589a/files/616c59ec-eff3-f27c-7fd7-a5c76c179ea8/DECEMBER_DIARY.pdf).

**What is on this Week**
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World Day of Prayer**
**Friday 3rd March at 10.30am**
Everyone is welcome at the World Day of Prayer service at either Bromley Parish Church St Peter and St Paul or St Mary's Green Street Green.  Both services will be at the same time and have  been prepared by the Christian women of Taiwan on the theme 'I have heard about your faith'.

**Guild of Church Flower Arrangers**
**Monday 6th March - from 8pm**
A demonstration is being given by Elloise Hasler Scott at Petts Wood Methodist Church, Queensway, BR5 1EB.  Entry is £5 for visitors, but if you wish to become a member it is £10 and this will give you entry to the October, December, March and June meetings.

**The ARK Toddler Group**
**Wednesday 8th March from 10.00 ~ 11.30am**
The Ark runs every Wednesday (term time only) at St Augustine's Church .
Please use the link below for Eventbrite each week, one ticket per child, tickets on a first come first served basis.
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/st-augustines-with-st-lukes-church-35212875693>
If anyone is available to help us set up for our ARK session on Tuesday afternoons at 5pm, please let Helen know.

**Midweek Holy Communion**
**Wednesday 8th March at 12 Noon**
Midweek Holy Communion at St Augustine's Church, will take place every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. This is held in the Chapel, and all are welcome.

**Hot Chocolate on the Green**
**Wednesday 8th March From 3pm**
We will be giving away free hot chocolate to passers-by on the Green in front of St Augustine's church.

 **WARM WELCOME SPACE and CAMEO**

**Thursday 9th March ~ from 10.30am until 4.00pm**
Our Warm Welcome Space is for anyone who needs to keep warm during the energy crisis. Why not come along and meet new friends, work in a quiet space or just sit and read the newspaper!

**Lent Course ~ 'Holy Habits; following Jesus'**
We are enjoying our 6-week Lent Course and each session will be run 3 times a week, so as to offer people the chance to meet online, in person, on a week day or a weekend. The days and times are as follows:
**Thursdays 10.00am - 11.00am** ~ in person, St Augustine's chapel ~ led by Rev'd Steve or Rev'd Rachel
**Saturdays 10.00am ~ 11.00am** on Zoom ~ led by Verity Mitchell
**Tuesdays 7.30pm ~ 8.30pm** on Zoom ~ hosted by Nigel and Ann Pope (various leaders)
If you wish to join either of the Zoom meeting please click [here](https://zoom.us/j/8160181393#success) to access them.  If you do not know the passcode please speak to either Rachel or Steve.

**Dates For Your Diary**

**'Daffodils on the Green'**
**Saturday 18th March from 10.00am**
Once again we will be offering free daffodil posies to anyone passing by St Augustine's Green that morning, to bless them for Mothering Sunday (we will be there until the posies run out!). Similar to last year, as well as the Flower's Guild team, our CAMEO group will be helping to arrange the flowers we will gift.

 **Forget me not Café**
**Tuesday 21st March at 1.30pm**
This is a memory café for anyone with dementia, their families, carers and friends, run by members of the Bromley Common group of churches. For anyone who is needing support because of personal experience or concern about friends or family with dementia and especially for those suffering from dementia and their carers. You are welcome to come along for tea, coffee and cakes available plus a time to relax with a sing-song too.
We meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 1.30 pm in the Garden Room.

**Charity and Community Updates**

# ****BROMLEY FOOD BANK ~ don't forget us!****



**The Food Bank has plenty of pasta, pulses, cereal, biscuits, Whitebait and tea**

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL FOOD IS IN DATE BEFORE YOU DONAED IT.

PLEASE DO NOT DONATE ANY OUT OF DATE OR FRESH ITEMS

**Keep in touch**

Though we are not all able to meet in person, we certainly don’t want anyone to feel isolated or alone. If you know anyone who might appreciate a call, do let us know by contacting the Vicar or emailing the Office.

We also have a prayer team and you can send in [prayer requests](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fst-augustines.us20.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D484cb96eebe8913fdb971589a%26id%3Da7a27560e6%26e%3Dd0aedad45f&data=05%7C01%7C%7C97eb1fcb6fde46ee87da08da243cb8f8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637862140468828692%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=dk3frYmnaOC%2FQKRAbu3vyn4K4IA42ib5uXJA8Dd%2Bd80%3D&reserved=0) for yourself or others.

Lastly, if you know of someone who would like to receive our weekly newsletter, then forward this email to them and ask them to sign up [here](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fst-augustines.us20.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D484cb96eebe8913fdb971589a%26id%3Db1887815f4%26e%3Dd0aedad45f&data=05%7C01%7C%7C97eb1fcb6fde46ee87da08da243cb8f8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637862140468828692%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gG5WWbCBDvWNrYRaC0Rawyg7g6IResEQbu9ZpKRTDRk%3D&reserved=0)[.](https://nam12.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fst-augustines.us20.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D484cb96eebe8913fdb971589a%26id%3Dcfbaa5abee%26e%3Dd0aedad45f&data=05%7C01%7C%7C97eb1fcb6fde46ee87da08da243cb8f8%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637862140468828692%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2DXSNCK4Z0Ssuz4C3tOhJsqPc4l%2FIFFL3osakDAyG%2BI%3D&reserved=0)

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St Augustine’s    liz@emailcarter.plus.com  020 8467 8155

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Payee Account Name
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