



**ST AUGUSTINE'S**

Thorpe Bay

# Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December Advent Sunday

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A warm welcome to St Augustine's Church today.

All those who are baptised and accustomed to receiving communion are invited to do so here. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please feel free to come to the altar rail holding a service booklet. Gluten free Communion wafers are available - please ask when you come up to the altar rail.

## Worship today

8.00am; Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00am: Holy Communion

6:30pm: Advent Carol Service

## Worship this coming week

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> December: 10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> December: 11:30am – Funeral of Joan Sentance

2pm: Simply Sing

Morning and Evening Prayers - Monday to Thurs at 8:30am and 5pm (BCP)

## **Services next Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December: 2nd Sunday of Advent**

8.00am; Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00am: Holy Communion

6:30pm: Evensong

## Keep in touch.

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If you would like to receive an email from Rev Dave (no more than weekly) then please scan the QR code using your mobile phone camera or sign up via our website.



## **Opening Hymn** 32 O Come, O Come, Emanuel

**Collect:** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**First Reading:** Jer 33:14-16

**Second Reading:** 1Thess 3:9 to end

**Gradual Hymn:** 37 The Lord will come and not be slow

**Gospel:** Luke 21:25-36 ‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’

**Offertory Hymn:** 87 Hail to the Lord’s anointed

**Communion Hymn:** Let all mortal flesh keep silence

**Post-Communion Prayer:** O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Closing Hymn** 31 Lo! He comes with clouds descending

**Please join us for refreshments after the 10.00 service**

**Prayers Requested for:**

*Our Danish granddaughter, Laura Holland aged 22years hopes to have major surgery to lengthen her leg in a Copenhagen Hospital on 28 November. We do thank you for praying for Laura over many years and would ask, please, for specific prayer for this major life changing even in her young life. You have our grateful thanks.*

*Glenys and Ian Holland her grandparents.*

**Our prayers are asked for.....**

**Those who are unwell**

**Jacky Beaumont, Terry Chittock, Paul Davison, Gemma Flindle, Janice Hampson, Maureen Hancock, John & Rosemary Haworth, Ian Holland, Frances Humphry, Jeanne Peagram, Charlotte Reid, Peter Somerville, Nicholas Spratt, Bob Taylor, Theresa**

Others who have asked to be remembered in our prayers in church and at home  
(these names will not be read out):

Steve Adsett, Kevin Bickford, Geoff Craft, Heather Davis,  
Judy Evans, Lorraine Everett, Laura Holland, Katherine Lovett, Fran McEvoy,  
Joel Morrison, Trish O’Hara, Emily Rhodes, Paul Sentance, Christine Sutton

**HM The King and Catherine, Princess of Wales**

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**Those who have recently died**

Bob Margerison, Paddy Corcoran, John Kennedy, Anne Jones,  
Pearl Baker, Joan Sentance

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**Those whose years’ mind falls at this time**

Marion Austen, Brian Shannon, Arthur Johns

f you wish to add a name to the year’s mind contact Barbara Black (details overleaf)

**Today - Reminder:** The Thorpe Bay and Shoebury Community Christmas collection supporting local charities will take place again this year on the 1st December. Donations of Christmas food, new toys, wrapping paper and more can be brought to church that morning and will be taken over to the Methodist Church later that day. Thank you. **Revd Dave**

**The Roundabout Magazine:** for Christmas and January is now available at the back of the church. Please take one for yourselves and one for a friend or neighbour. **Geoff**

**This Wednesday : Joan Sentance:** The funeral service for Joan Sentance will take place at 11:30am on Wednesday 4th December at St Augustine's. All friends welcome **Rev Dave**

**John Kennedy Funeral:** John's funeral is at 2pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December and will take place here at St Augustine's. All friends welcome **Rev Dave**

**Little Advent Books:** There are some booklets at the back of church 'What is Advent' kindly supplied by Catrina Lambert. Please take one as you leave.

**The Deanery Orchestra - Christmas Concert:** wonderful seasonal and popular live orchestral music! Saturday 7th December 2024 in the church. Doors Open: 6 45pm Concert Starts: 7.30pm Candlelit tables - Interval - Enjoy your own nibbles /refreshments Tickets: £7.50 (16 and under FREE) We welcome you with mulled wine or a soft drink! \*Ticket reservations recommended\*: Please email [thedeaneryorchestra@gmail.com](mailto:thedeaneryorchestra@gmail.com) Alternatively, please text or call 07922 554343

**SING IMMANUEL CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** 3.00pm Sat 7th Dec at Thorpe Bay Methodist Church, The Broadway Thorpe Bay. Tickets £5 in advance (01702 588395) or on the door. Please join the 3 participating members from our own choir for an afternoon of joyful music Mince pies and refreshments in the interval. **Martin Everett**

**Christmas Friendship Party:** on Fri 6th Dec 12 –a Christmas Party in the hall especially aimed at the bereaved, those who live alone or who feel lonely, and people who are cared for and their carers. If you know anyone who would benefit from an afternoon with food and fun please put their names and telephone number on the list at the back of the church. This dementia friendly party has received funding from the Community Investment Board. If you would like to help on the day either setting up in the morning or in the afternoon (or both), please have a chat with Barbara Black, please continue knitting the Issy Dolls so we can give them all a little gift on behalf of the church thank you **Revd Dave & Fete Team**

Weekly Newsletter: Anything you wish to be mentioned please send to Barbara Black either by - tel, 01702 297401, Mobile 07969099396, email [barbarablack29@gmail.com](mailto:barbarablack29@gmail.com) or drop it in at 162 Church Road. Items should be with me by 11.00am on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 please