



ST AUGUSTINE'S

Thorpe Bay

Sunday 26th April 4th Sunday of Easter

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: Evensong (Hymns: 22, 594, 262 Psalm 29:1-10)

Worship this coming week

Wed 29th April: 10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Wed 29th April: 2pm Simply Sing

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

.Services next Sunday 3rd May 2026: 5th Sunday of Easter

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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: 555 Praise, my soul, the king

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading: Acts 2:42 to end

Second Reading: 1 Pet 2:19 to end

Gradual Hymn: The 23rd Psalm (please see separate sheet)

Gospel: John 10:1-10 ‘Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.’ Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, ‘Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Offertory Hymn: 453 Great is thy faithfulness

Communion Hymn: 467 How sweet the name of Jesus

Post-Communion Prayer: Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Closing Hymn: 380 At the name of Jesus

Please join us for refreshments after the 10am service



Our prayers are asked for..... Those who are unwell

Alison, Jacky Beaumont, Julie Benton, Caroline, Terry Chittock,
John Godwin, Janice Hampson, Frances Humphry, Bethany Humphrey,
Tony Owen, Jeanne Peagram, Peter Somerville, John Tooley,
Sally Wilcox, Theresa

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

Geoff Craft, Judy Evans, Rosemary Haworth, Laura Holland,
Katherine Lovett, Fran McEvoy, Joel Morrison, Trish O’Hara,
Paul Sentance, Christine Sutton, Andrea Yates
The King and Catherine, Princess of Wales

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Those who have recently died

Douglas Schofield, Jo Dare (pronounced Daray), Paddy White,
Nigel Payn, Pete Miles

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Those whose years’ mind falls at this time

Irene Jerrom, Henry Tucker, Christopher Tansley,
Stella Kilby

If you wish to add a name to the year’s mind list or include something in the Newsletter please contact
Barbara Black 07969099396 - barbarablack29@gmail.com

Funeral of Nigel Payn: the funeral of Nigel is at Holy Trinity at 2pm on Wednesday 6th May. The family would love to see Nigel's friends there.

Partonal lunch: is on Sunday 24th May. Only service that day will be at 11am followed by ploughman's lunch in the hall. There is already a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. **Please be aware:** the signing up sheet for the Patronal Lunch will close on the 17th May after morning service, Thank you **Rev Dave**

APCM: the meeting will be after church on Sunday 31st May. **Revd Dave**

Southend Bach Choir: Rossini's Stabat Mater and Schubert mass concert. At Holy Trinity CofE church, Southchurch Blvd, on Saturday 2nd May at 7pm. Tickets £12 at the door.

Vintage Afternoon Tea Dance: (Dancing optional) in the hall on Friday 1st May at 1:30pm to 4pm. This event will be opened by the **Mayor and Mayoress** who will hopefully be cutting a dashing on the dance floor! There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church and feel free to put your 20s - 50s glad rags on. Any questions to the **Fete Team** please or call 07969 099396

We would be grateful to anyone who'd like to help in serving the refreshments and also bakers in the congregation who would like to bake a few cakes for the Afternoon Tea please. Many thanks Fete Team

Safe Harbour Bereavement Group: you do **not** need to be suffering bereavement to join us - we are going on a coach trip to Rochester on Wednesday 6th May for £15. We have a few empty seats if you would like to go – leaving St Augustine's church at 9am and leaving Rochester between 4pm and 4:30pm. Please call Barbara on 07969 099396 if you would like to join us.

St Augustine's Summer Fete: is on Saturday 27th June. Please start saving your Tombola prizes. **Fete Team**