



**ST AUGUSTINE'S**

Thorpe Bay

# Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

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

4:00pm: Baby Loss Service

6:30pm: Evensong (Hymns: 542, 581, 386 Psalms 139:1-11)

## Worship this coming week

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> October: 10am Holy Communion (BCP)

Wed 14<sup>th</sup> October: 2pm Simply Sing

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

## Services next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2026: Guest Service

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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:** 530 Now thank we all our God

**Collect:** O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**First Reading:** Isaiah 25:1-9 - Praise for Deliverance from Oppression

**Second Reading:** Philippians 4:1-9 - Exhortations

**Gradual Hymn:** 474 Immortal, Invisible

**Gospel:** Matthew 22:1-14 - The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. 'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

**Offertory Hymn:** 313 My God and is Thy table spread

**Communion Hymn:** 311 Lord enthroned in heavenly splendour

**Post-Communion Prayer:** Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Closing Hymn:** 262 O lord my God

**Please join us for refreshments after the 10am service**



*Service here this  
afternoon at 4pm – all  
welcome to light a light  
for your baby*

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

Jacky Beaumont, Julie Benton, Caroline, Terry Chittock,  
Paul Davison, John Godwin, Janice Hampson, Frances Humphry,  
Bethany Humphrey, Tony Owen, Jeanne Peagram, Donald Rule,  
Sharon, Rebecca Skinner, Peter Somerville, Sheila Stokes,  
John Tooley, Sally Wilcox, Janet Wilsmer, 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,  
Mark Lovett, Fran McEvoy, Joel Morrison, Trish O'Hara,  
Paul Sentance, Christine Sutton, Andrea Yates

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**Those who have recently died**

Carol Barker, Reginald Bunney

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](mailto:barbarablack29@gmail.com)

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

Ivy Atkins, Sheila Denby, David Amess

**100 Club**: a reminder the last draw for the 100 club will be around Christmas Day so remember to cancel your direct debit by 31<sup>st</sup> December at the latest. **Barry**

**Seafarers**: For items to be available for Christmas parcels, I need to get them to Tilbury before the end of October. Therefore, if you have anything for me, can you bring it in soon, please. Monetary donations so that they can bulk-buy chocolate, cards and wrapping paper would be particularly welcome now. **Mhoira**

**October/November magazine**: is available. To Anyone wishing to make a donation to the cost of production there is a s; lot in the wall behind the tea makers, or in the special pot for donations. **Geoffrey**

**Guest Service**: - Our Annual Guest Service is an opportunity to invite friends, neighbours, colleagues or anyone else to come to church with you to a service with a commentary. This year's guest service will be on Sunday 18th October.

**Southend Harmony Singers**: will be offering a concert at St Augustine's at 3pm on the afternoon of Sunday 18th October. This concert isn't ticketed, but there will be a retiring collection.

**Curry Night**: Sign up sheet at the back of the church. Our next CURRY NIGHT is on Monday 9th November.. I look forward to seeing you all there. **Frank**

**Gin etc Taster Session**: On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026 we are offering you the opportunity to sample Gin, Vodka and Rum, distilled by our local Pigs Bay Distillery. Tickets now on sale - £35.00 each (payable in advance) until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026. **Blanche 07713 254233**

**Christmas Bazaar**: Sign up Folder at the back of the church for ideas, suggestions and offers The Bazaar is in the church on the 21st November. Items to buy, games, and refreshments will hopefully make this an enjoyable afternoon that will bring people into the church and raise some funds! you can offer your help, so please do have and look and get involved if you are able to. **Thank you Fete Team**

**All Souls Service on 1<sup>st</sup> November**: there will be a list for new names of your loved ones to be added at the back of the church from next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>. For those previously read out I will print off last year's list and this can just be ticked to confirm you want your names read out this year. Barbara Black – email any queries to [barbarablack29@gmail.com](mailto:barbarablack29@gmail.com) or catch me after the Sunday service (if you can) xxx