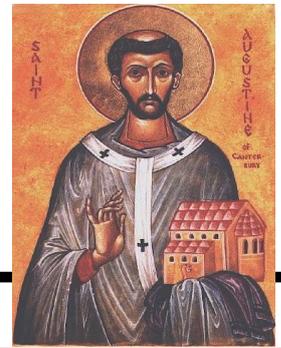




Anglican Catholic Church of St Augustine
Eastling Road, Painters Forstal, Kent ME13 0DU

PARISH NEWS

Sunday: 11 am Sung Mass (1st Sunday: Healing Service) Holy Days: As Announced



**A Very Warm
WELCOME
This Sunday is**

**Trinity VI
(Comm St Benedict)**

11th July 2021

The Propers of the
Mass begin on

Page 594 of the red
Book of Common Prayer
and **Page C63** of the
Anglican Missal



At the end of Mass
we conclude with the
Angelus (in the back of the
white **Mass Booklets**) in the
Lady Chapel.



**Please
Turn off Your
Mobile Phones**

Our Organ doesn't like them

Thank you

Dear Friends,

For the first 300 years or so Christianity, the Church was, on the most part, Pacifist. Here is a sample of what some early Church Fathers said about joining the military: St Clement of Alexandria wrote in 217 A.D.: "He who holds the sword must cast it away and that if one of the faithful becomes a soldier, he must be rejected by the Church, for he has scorned God."

The pacifist tradition is, on the whole, based on an interpretation of part of the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus said: "Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also." **Matthew 5:38-39**. Following Christ's command to turn the other cheek, many believe that it is better to suffer violence than it is to commit violence.

St Paul lays out the responsibility of the Christian. "Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men." **Romans 12:17-21**. Notice the qualifier, "if it be possible."

What is St Paul saying? There will be times when you cannot be at peace with all men. But when it is possible, when it depends on you, as an individual, strive for peace.

"Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

Although War is never good and is never 'right' it is sometimes necessary. Why? Because sin is an ever present reality that has to be dealt with. "From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even

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of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not." **James 4:1-2**

At the forefront of most wars and conflicts is an idolatry that says, "I want more. I want what you have. I am better than you." Most of it is rooted in human sin. Political parties and institutions are not necessarily evil in themselves, although there are ideologies that espouse evil. But they would not gain ground if evil were not rooted in every human heart, until goodness take its place and it is banished.

The battle for Christian souls begins not in the physical world, no matter how terrible the suffering, but the spiritual. Our Christian brothers and sisters, despite threats so sinister and terrible, maintain their faith because they know that, for all the terrors they suffer, it is the loss of their souls they fear the most. For St Paul tells us "... we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and

July

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Sunday 11th

Trinity VI (Comm Solemnity of St Benedict)

11am Sung Mass

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Sunday 18th

Trinity VII (Comm St Bernard Mizeki)

11am Sung Mass

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Sunday 25th

St James (Comm Trinity VIII)

11am Sung Mass

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August

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Sunday 1st

Trinity IX (Comm St Peter's Chains & St Paul) Lammas Day

11am Sung Mass *followed by Healing Service*

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Sunday 8th

Trinity X (Comm Bl John Mason Neale)

11am Sung Mass

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having done all, to stand." **Ephesians 6: 12-13**

Jesus said in his Sermon on the Mount "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you."

Matthew 5:10-12:

Forgiving our enemies and being reconciled with those with whom we are odds is a commandment Jesus gives us. But, as with all Jesus' commandments, it comes at a cost.

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Sunday 15th August 2021

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11am Solemn Pontifical Sung Mass

Followed by

Veneration of the Relic of the Veil of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Refreshments & Parish BBQ Afterwards

(RSVP – dmead@anglicancatholic.org / 01797 321704 if planning to attend)

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR ...

Fr Don & Di Walker, Chris Bosworth, Margaret and Laurence Mead, Paul Fletcher, Barbara Henderson, Todd, David and Sheila, Colin Rumens, Frederick Chadwick, Ann Chapman, Diane Young, Megan Young, Pauline Allison, Harrison and Edward Eckert, Margaret and Peter Martin, Margaret Bendelow, Dorothy Hipkiss, Fr Miles Maylor, Elizabeth Bell, Vickie Wall, Pat Johnson, Liz Bakker, Deb Stuck, Angela, Hazel, Vera and Karl, Millie Armstrong, Sarah and David Winterburn and their daughters Nicole and Corrina, Robert and Kathleen Dunford, All those effected by the Coronavirus.

For those who read these Parish Notes on the Notice Board outside and all who receive email or paper copies.

- For our neighbours and the people of **Painters Forstal** and the surrounding countryside and villages, the **growth** of our **Church Family**.
- For **persecuted Christians** especially in Africa, Pakistan, the Middle East and China.

For those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- Diocese of The Kei, Bishop Ordinary - Rt Rev Dominic Mdunyelwa;
- St Deiniol and St Asaph, Pembrokeshire, Fr Miles Maylor;
- The Armed Forces, the Army, Royal Navy and Royal Air Force, especially those on active service. ACC Service Chaplains and the Rt Rev Donald Lerow, ACC Military Prelate.

And we remember the recently departed: specially, Vera Routledge-Wilson, Frank Butler, Clayson Charles Bennett, David Markey, and those whose anniversaries falls at this time

P: ✕ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord **R:** And let light perpetual shine upon them



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