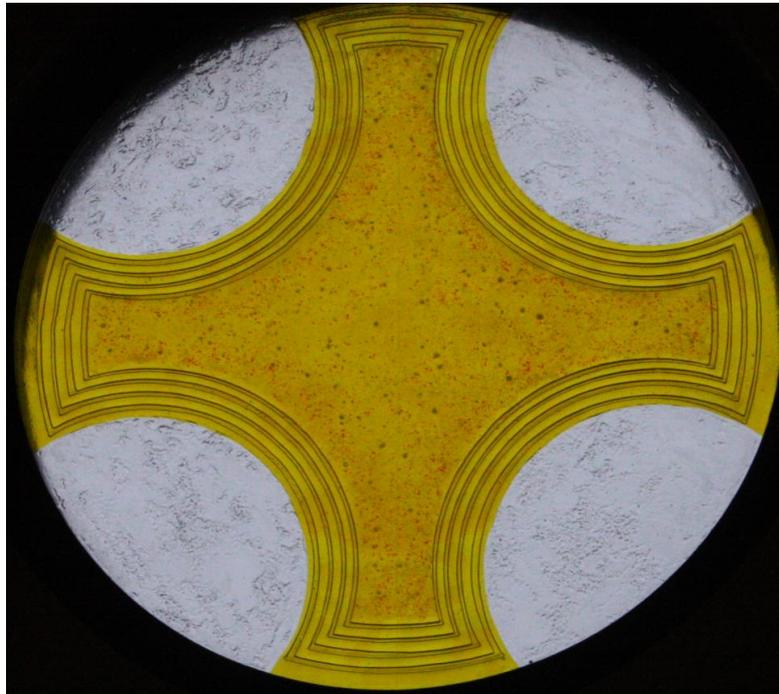


THE AUGUSTINIAN

The Parish Magazine for the R.C. Parish of Springfield



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Welcome

Dear friend,

Another volume of THE AUGUSTINIAN is into your hands: to read, reflect, to get to know the parish events and its life and to share the different aspects of our parish life.

Yet another school year has passed and we had been through different events and happenings in our life as a family and as a parish community. Things of good and bad memories were there. Events which helped us to learn, think and change had happened. Amidst all this the life is moving on smoothly and silently and it has to be so.

So during this summer I was just reflecting on the nature and our life. It is wonderful that we have the different seasons. And all the seasons are packed with all its wonders. The winter which brought us snow and chill and high gas and electricity bills gave way to the short spring which brought out the hidden life in the nature just like the daffodils came out. Which soon gave way to the summer heat and high water bills and the desire for a rain.

Summer, as I write this (not as you may read it) is a time that make everyone very happy. Children get the summer holidays. Elders get those most desired long days and sunshine. Holidays elsewhere from home. A little bit of sun tan and chilling out with barbecue and drinks. All of this makes the summer most desired and beautiful. I think, if we look at the nature there is a struggling in the summer. All the grass in the garden struggles to be alive. My vegetable garden needs regular watering as they struggle with the heat. But amidst all this, just one or two rains can make the change and bring back all to life and green.

So I was thinking about our spiritual life. At times it can go so dry like the grass in the summer heat and remain dead for many days. If we don't give the most needed nourishment to our souls it can dry up and eventually die. If the plants and vegetables do not receive water for couple of days they end up fruitless. Likewise when we ignore our hungry souls for the spiritual nourishment they require, they can dry up or eventually die. So let us try our best always, in any season, to nurture the spiritual wellbeing of our souls, which gives us the heavenly joy, which is above everything else. Let our laziness and over concern on the physical wellbeing not kill our god spots within us. So that at the right moment and right time let it start growth and flourish.

And we all do know that the summer do not last long, though we wish if it could. The autumn comes, falling leaves and changing colours of the nature, warns us to prepare for the coming winter. We are keen on preparing for the winter. Aren't we? Boilers checked and repaired. Winter clothes all washed up and ready in the wardrobe. Starting from the thin layer to the thickest needed, depending on how hard the winter is going to test us.

If we are so much ready for a regular winter, how much more are we to be prepared to keep our faith alive and active? When it starts getting cold and shivering or frozen, should we not try to keep it warm with the required layers of spiritual vestments that can keep our faith warm and alive? Are we prepared to battle the spiritual coldness that may overtake us? Should we not keep it warm with the sacraments, pious devotions and acts of charity?

So let me wish everyone a very good time of the year in whatever season we are. Let us be always alive and active in our physical and spiritual life. Let us keep our faith alive and active and let us not let it dry up or die due to our carelessness. Let me thank every hands and minds behind this parish magazine.

May god bless us all.

Fr. Sabu Pariyadan RCJ

Rogationists of the Heart of Jesus



Data Protection - GDPR

You will recently all have seen people asking for permission to keep in touch with you or use information about you. This all arises from the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), which has recently come into effect. While this does alter Data Protection, most of its provisions are already in force: we feel that our practice in this Parish is good, so there will be little change in how we handle data, but we wanted to take advantage of this opportunity to keep you informed as to our policy and practice on handling data.

An important change is that we should know what our legal basis is for keeping and processing your data. Our legal basis, which is probably the same as other organisations to which you belong, is called "legitimate interest". This means that, as an organization, it is reasonable to know who are our members and some data about them. This is information such as name, address, phone number and family. We do not need consent from members to hold members details and use them for normal activities.

We do need consent to share your data, apart from our normal administration, so if we need to share your address (physical or e-mail), we will ask you to confirm that you are happy for that to happen. This will happen if you appear on a rota with contact details to allow you to swap dates. We are working through a process of obtaining your consent: if we have not already contacted you about this, we will be doing so over the summer. If you ask us to quote your address (for example to publicise an event), we will take the common sense view that this constitutes consent. We would not give the address to anyone outside the Parish without your specific consent (subject to our comments below). However, you will understand that, once contact details are published in old rotas or Newsletters, there will be no guarantee as to who sees it. If your publicity goes onto a website, it is essentially available to anyone in the world.

Those who are on a rota are reminded that they should be careful with data of other members. It is a matter of normal courtesy that you do not communicate someone's details to a third party without them agreeing to it. However, you should also remember that Newsletters and some other communications from the Parish (such as "The Augustinian") do contain personal data. Though contacts have been published with their consent, you should be careful how communications are made available to those outside the Parish.

The Parish does not normally provide details of its members to anyone outside the movement. The only routine exception is that we need to tell HMRC on whose behalf we are claiming tax refunds under the Gift Aid scheme. However, members should be aware that, though it is extremely unlikely, there may be regulatory or legal reasons to require us to release data to appropriate authorities. It is possible that, should this unlikely situation arise, we may not be allowed to make the fact public.

You will note that we use legitimate interest as the basis for holding and process your data. While you are a parishioner, we may keep your data for our legitimate needs. However, you may ask to see what data we hold, by contacting the Parish Office. It may take a little while to reply so that we can be sure that we have checked that our reply is complete. You may also ask for your data not to be published, but if you ask to be a contact, it is expected that your contact details will be available to those who may wish to contact you. If you have been a contact and no longer wish to be so, we will remove your data from our web and printed information, but it will still be available in existing material.

If you operate a rota, please make sure that the Parish Office has a copy so that we can reply to requests for details of the data that we hold.

Community Sponsorship Scheme

Some while ago we put a notice in Newsletters about a project, initiated by Council 302 (Chelmsford & Maldon) of the Knights of St. Columba, to bring a refugee family to Chelmsford. The intention of the project is to accept a family under the government's Full Community Sponsorship Scheme, and arrange for them to be accommodated and supported as they learn English, find work and integrate themselves into the community. The project reflects Pope Francis's wish that Catholic Parishes should take a lead in welcoming refugees. Most of the work with the family will be undertaken by volunteers.

The project will be a partnership between a Charity, which will act as sponsor to the scheme, and the Home Office. The Charity will exercise supervision over the working of the project and the Home Office will expect it to ensure that the project is properly managed and administered. An important aspect of this will be to ensure that a Safeguarding policy is adopted and properly implemented. The project's local participants will volunteer to support, advise and educate the family, particularly helping them to learn English and find work.

The project will need to start by raising £9,000 to establish the family. The family will qualify for appropriate benefits and this should pay day-to-day living expenses. However, the project will need to help with living expenses until the benefit application is approved, pay deposits on a property and to utilities, establish a home by furnishing the house and help with clothing and household necessities and so on. It may be also necessary to support the family's living expenses for a time, but the intention is that the family will become self-supporting reasonably soon and within the first year at most.

The support of our local Parishes will be essential in launching the project and, once the project is working, we hope that volunteers will come largely from Parishes.

However, we will be seeking to involve other Churches and Community organisations. It is also necessary to obtain the consent of the local authorities before the Home Office will agree to join the agreement.

The family who we would accommodate will be allocated by the Home Office, from those accepted by the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, and they are expected to allocate a family with whom they are happy. There will be an element of interaction between the Home Office and project to ensure that the family and the accommodation are compatible.

This has been put into practice in the parish of St. Monica in Manchester, and their experience has been used to develop the project so far. We are now ready to move on and to do this; we have arranged an open/public meeting to be held at Our Lady Immaculate's hall at 20.00 on Wednesday, 10 October. If you think you might be interested in getting involved and can help in any way (fund raising, administration, support for resettlement, help with teaching to speak and read English etc.) please try to attend this meeting. We are intending it to last no more than an hour, with the primary purpose to establish a group of supporters to make a start on the practical steps towards bringing the project to fruition.

If you want more information, contact:
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Restructuring & Renewal

At this year's Pilgrimage to the shrine to Our Lady at Walsingham in May, Bishop Alan commissioned Stewards of the Gospel for a further two years. Letters from Bishop Alan and from Steven Webb are available on the parish website. They provide a wonderful overview of progress to date, and detail how the Diocese will continue its process of restructure & renewal. The following draws on details from Steve's letter, which is well worth reading in full.

It notes the strengths and community spirit of our parish, in particular the constructive approach to evangelism, working with other Chelmsford churches and our focus on engaging young people that will stand us in good stead as we meet a shared future with fewer ministering priests.

We are assured that as we move forward working together to evangelise our diocese, Bishop Alan and his Diocesan Strategic Planning Group (DSPG) continue to pray, discern and listen to the various observations, concerns and queries presented throughout the process. Bishop Alan continues to entrust the future of our Diocese to Our Lady of Lourdes and continues to pray for us all and for our parish. Please continue to pray for him as he makes decisions about our shared future.

Just as the period of change and uncertainty has the potential to cause disquiet and anxiety among the lay faithful, it is rightly noted that this is equally the case for our priests, perhaps even more so. Their abiding willingness to work to achieve the best change is naturally tinged with anxiety about what that changed future may look like. We pray for them regularly and ask that you join your prayers with ours as we seek to support our priests in a new future.

Over the summer and Autumn Bishop Alan, his DSPG, and Steve will work together to produce a Vision for the future of our Diocese. This will bring together all our prayers and ideas and our work together, detailing how both have helped to move us from the First Formal Proposal to the final document. November will see publication of the Vision Document, followed by its gradual implementation. Just as we remain in the prayers of all who lead this process, we are asked to continue offering our own prayers for God's hand in their guidance.

Tom Coen

Steward of the Gospel



New Hall School

Founded in 1642, New Hall School, voted TES Independent School of the Year 2016, is a thriving Catholic boarding & day school, welcoming girls and boys aged 3-18 years. The school is set in a stunning location, with the magnificent former Tudor palace of Beaulieu at its heart.

In a caring community, our boarders aged 7-18 may full or weekly board, with most enjoying the benefit of a single-study bedroom. Flexi-boarding is also offered from Years 3-10.



The school encourages self-discipline and a sense of responsibility. Community values, teamwork and a spirit of service are keenly fostered in every facet of school life. All students take part in the award-winning and nationally-recognised New Hall Voluntary Service (NHVS) during their time at the school, with leadership opportunities available for Sixth Form students. The Chaplaincy Team, which includes a Chaplain, who lives onsite, and Lay Chaplain, is due to expand, with two further resident Lay Chaplains and an Assistant Lay Chaplain arriving in September 2018. New Hall welcomes all who support the Catholic ethos.

A second AstroTurf and state-of-the-art 3G pitch, plus a sports hospitality area, were completed in early 2017. Our Early Years pupils enjoy our newly-developed 'Forest School' provision, which takes place in school woodland.



New Hall runs a Most Able and Talented programme, which is proven to bring added value to examination results. In 2017, 83% of GCSE grades and 76% of A Level grades were A*-B or equivalent. The school has an established Oxbridge programme, with a successful track record of offers from both universities. The co-curricular provision in music, performing & creative arts and sports is outstanding. National and regional successes abound, including in skiing, golf and equestrian disciplines. Sports facilities include: a national standard athletics track, two AstroTurf pitches, a 3G pitch, fitness centre and gym, 10 floodlit tennis and netball courts, cricket and rugby pitches, and a 6-lane 25m indoor swimming pool.

New Hall operates the highly successful 'diamond model' structure, that is, co-education in the Preparatory Divisions (ages 3-11), single-sex education in the Boys' & Girls' Divisions (ages 11-16) and co-education in the Sixth Form (ages 16-18). In this way, New Hall provides the best of both worlds; the benefits of a co-educational environment, together with the advantages of girls and boys being taught separately during the formative years of adolescence. This enables students to grow in confidence, whilst enjoying an education that is specifically tailored and that recognises the different ways in which girls and boys learn. High academic expectations and outstanding achievements, together with quality pastoral care, make New Hall a wonderful place to be educated.



Serving at St. Augustine's

This parish has always been lucky to have a team of dedicated altar servers. The best in the Diocese as Kevin will say! They provide support to the Priest and the Deacon throughout the mass and are there to help. This article is intended to show you the jobs we do at St. Augustine's and how we serve the parish during mass.

BEFORE MASS

First and foremost, a server should arrive in good time. This allows everyone to put on their albs, find out what colour girdle to wear (the thing that goes around our waist) and be ready on the dot for 9am. As the servers arrive, it comes to about 8.55am and often while Kevin is conducting his pre-mass introduction and prayers, Simon (the MC!) is delegating the jobs to the servers.

The jobs that the servers do tend to be assigned based on the experience you have. When servers start they will do candles and collect the gifts, then progress on to laying the altar and then become thurifiers. All the servers will be designated with at least one job and sometimes more if the numbers are low. Some jobs are more favoured than others!

Our cue to start walking in is when the first word of the opening hymn is sang! The rest of the servers walk behind in roughly height order, so that's why you always see Simon and I at the back of the line!

We all fan out to the left and right as we approach the altar and this indicates what side we are going to sit on. The jobs that the servers have been allocated are either "far-side" jobs (named because it is further away from the sacristy!) or "Kevin-side" (named because Kevin sits on that side!) jobs. We use these terms because if you were to say the left and right sides, I don't know if you mean that we are standing looking at the altar or looking at the congregation!



DURING MASS

Kevin side jobs



Thurifier: A job for an experienced altar server who leads the mass procession in and out of the church with the thurible. A thurifier may be accompanied by a **boat bearer** if we have enough servers! Lighting the thurible involves lighting a small candle and holding circular bits of charcoal over the candle for one or two minutes. This job arguably comes with the most responsibility, as the thurifier is needed a few times during the mass. They lead the gospel procession, help to incense the congregation with Kevin and will also shortly kneel at the front of the altar to incense the host and chalice when they are raised. Those at the front of the congregation will feel the fumes from the smoking thurible!

Book bearer: The server who holds the book for the Priest. This is always marked out beforehand by Kevin and the server will go to the Chair after the Gloria and after the ministers have left the church for the opening and closing prayer respectively.



Laying the altar: Two servers are needed to help lay the altar. This involves bringing the chalices, the corporal, the book and the purificators up to Kevin for him to place on the altar. This job can be confusing for the younger servers, as there is a lot of things on the credence table and you need to know which items to bring up! So you may see servers with a medium amount of experience do this job. When the offertory is brought up, one of the two of these servers on either side of Fr. Sabu and Kevin to assist with anything. The other will go and get the water for the purification of the wine. They will also wash Fr. Sabu's hands while Kevin is incensing the congregation and immediately after everyone has received Holy Communion.

Tray: As the Lord's prayer is about to start, Simon will bring a tray down to the Eucharistic ministers to place their pixes on. While the congregation are receiving communion, he will also clear and prepare the altar for the final stages of the mass.

Far side jobs



Collecting the gifts: This server will be one of two servers who help out at the offertory. Kevin will give this server the baskets from the collection and place them at the end of the altar.

Candle bearers: This is one of the first jobs that you learn as a new server, so that's why you often see the young ones doing it. Two servers will hold the candles either side of the lectern when the gospel is read.

Cross: This server will carry the cross in and out of mass.

Usher: When the congregation comes up to receive the Eucharist, two servers will come off the altar and usher to help people go up for communion.

Ring the bell: When the body and blood of Christ are raised by the Priest, the bell is also rung by a server. Everyone knows this and a sleeping server may forget! To ring the bell to produce a pleasant ring is a skill and we often comment on how good each other's bell-ringing is! In fact, some servers are renowned for being good bell-ringers!



AFTER MASS

The servers leave on the start of the closing hymn in the order that they came in.

But the job of a server is not over! After mass, we tend to "de-alb" straight away and then we are responsible for putting all of the items you see on the altar away. The younger servers often bring a lot of the stuff off the altar and place it in the sacristy to be put away. The more experienced servers know where all the items go in the sacristy itself. The thurifer must take the charcoals out of the thurible and there is also washing up of the glass items to do. Once everything has been put away, everyone is free to go!

SERVING FOR SPECIAL OCCASSIONS

By the time you get to 14 years of serving (or 19 years in the case of Simon and Sandra!), most things do not phase you, apart from when the Bishop comes! That feeling of not knowing what you are doing doesn't leave you when he makes his visit to the Parish, trust me.

For non-standard masses, such as Good Friday or Easter Saturday, the servers will meet before the mass starts and have a rehearsal so that everyone knows what they should be doing. There may be the usual Sunday mass that has the odd quirk - for example when gifts are given to Holy Communion children and if they need to be blessed or not, but generally these are easily dealt with.

In recent years, Simon and I have had the honour of serving at some of the funerals where an elderly parishioner has died. This comes with responsibility and is personally rewarding for me, as it is a chance for me to pay my respects to the person, by helping the mass to go smoothly. It also reminds me of how important serving is.

At the moment, we have a great team of servers who are all dedicated to what they do. Hopefully, you will see them grow up in the parish over the years and see them move seamlessly into new serving jobs. I ask you to pray for them, so that they may continue to serve regularly and with greater understanding. St. Stephen, pray for us!

Ben Hitchen

Bishop's Visitation

On the Twenty fifth April we had the pleasure of Bishop Alan making his parish visitation. This is an opportunity for him to access the parish and help and encourage us on our journey of faith. During the afternoon he visited the sick and housebound, spent time with them and gave them his apostolic blessing. On these occasions he gives individual time to the clergy and affirms them in their ministry. During the evening he celebrated Mass for the parish. After his homily he conferred the sacrament of confirmation on our candidates: Sebin, James, Laura, Isobel, Adam, and Christian (pictured below with Kevin, Bishop Alan and Fr. Sabu). At the end of Mass we had a social time during which parishioners had the opportunity to speak to him. All of us should pray for our Bishop daily in the work he carries out within the diocese.



Make a Suncatcher

Brighten up a room with this quick and easy recycled craft idea which uses an old foil pie plate and sweet wrappers!



You will need:

- Foil pie plate
- Glue
- Sweet wrappers
- Needle and thread

Method:

1. Cut triangles around the sides of the pie plate making a set of points. Fold out the points to make your sun shape.
2. Glue sweet wrappers to each point of the sun. Don't worry about cutting them to shape: just trim when they have dried.
3. Decorate the centre of the sun by gluing on some scrunched up sweet wrappers. Punch a small hole and thread a loop of thread through the top of the sun to hang.

Fruit Kebabs



Ingredients

- 1 Kiwi fruit (peeled and chopped)
- ½ mango (peeled and chopped)
- Strawberries
- Red/Green grapes
- Blueberries

Method

1. Wash the strawberries, grapes and blueberries in cold water.
2. Cut the tops off the strawberries.
3. If the strawberries are big, cut them in half.
4. Put all the fruit into bowls.
5. Arrange bowls by fruit colour.
6. Thread onto skewers.
7. Serve and enjoy!



SVP - Request for banknotes and coins

Since 1986, we have been raising funds from your donations of unwanted banknotes, coins, tokens and medals. Thanks to your generosity, we have used the proceeds to help Chelmsford's needy with their food and fuel bills; and the purchase of essential domestic appliances (washing machines etc).

To date, we have raised just over £3,000, including £270 in the current financial year. Our income has been far more than was initially expected, because we have the time and patience to check every coin, token, medal and banknote.

Kindly place your donations in the Offertory collection, in any sealed envelope marked "Foreign currency for the SVP", or "Old English currency for the SVP." If you have a large batch of coins you may hand them in at the Presbytery during normal opening hours, labelled as stated above.

Here we've listed how we use various banks, plus coin, medal and banknote dealers to assist us in fundraising.

What do you do with donated Banknotes and Euro coins?

Most banknotes can be readily exchanged in the High Street, including British notes which are no longer legal tender, (e.g. Ten Shilling notes).

Many foreign banknotes, which are no longer in circulation in their country of origin, are purchased by banknote dealers in London. Recently, we sold a batch of notes for over £54, which included legacy banknotes from Eurozone member states, including Germany, Belgium, Spain, Austria and the Republic of Ireland.

Euro coins and banknotes are often purchased at the current exchange rate by parishioners. These can be used in most of the 28 Eurozone countries and beyond (e.g. Russia, Martinique, Turkey and the Vatican), hence since 2001, this has become a reliable income source.

What do you do with English coins which are no longer in circulation?

There is worldwide demand from coin collectors for United Kingdom coins, which are no longer legal tender in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Some dealers will pay around 80 % of the face of coins, including sixpences, florins and half crowns. Decimal coinage, including the larger sized 5, 10 and 50 pence pieces, can sometimes be exchanged by banks at face value.

'Silver coins' issued before 1947 have at least a 50 % silver content, consequently dealers may pay six times the face value of a coin; as they are interested in the alloy used, instead of a coin's intrinsic value. Hence, a 1928 florin may fetch 60 pence, regardless of its condition, instead of its 10 pence face value.

We sometimes receive coinage from the 18th and 19th century, for example we have previously had a George III farthing and a "Half Spade" guinea. We always consult coin catalogues and dealers before selling these for the best possible price. In 2001, a batch of rare coins and pre-1947 silver coins raised around £500, from a London coin dealer.

What happens to foreign coins, excluding Euro?

Again, some dealers are willing to pay 80 % of the face value of coins from specific countries, including the United States, Canada, Switzerland and the Republic of Ireland.

In other cases, parishioners have purchased them from us at the current exchange rate. If you are travelling overseas we may have coins for sale for your destination (e.g. Australian and New Zealand dollars).

What do you do with the tokens and medals?

The types of medals we usually receive are those which the major petrol retailers issued in the 1970s, including England's 1970 World Cup team. Another series issued in the same decade, illustrated great inventions, including the Wright Brothers' contribution to aviation.

The types of tokens we receive are those issued by British banks and the Co-Operative Society.

In these cases, we always consult dealers and catalogues, as we have found that tokens and medals are more difficult to value than coins. Many collectors who are short of a specific item, will readily purchase the ones they are missing from dealers.

If you have any questions about banknotes, coins, tokens or medals we are always happy to try and answer them. Many Thanks to everyone in the Parish and beyond, who made this venture a success, over the last 31 years.

Christopher (Chris Pinto)

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At the Beach

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BOAT	JELLYFISH	SEAGULL	SURF
BUCKET	OCEAN	SEAWEED	SWIMSUIT
CRAB	PIER	SHELLS	UMBRELLA
DOLPHIN	SAND	SHOVEL	WHALE

Praying with Your 5 Fingers

By: Jorge Mario Bergoglio (Pope Francis)

God, I pray...

for support and wisdom for those that teach, instruct and heal.

For divine guidance for our leaders, those in government, and those who have authority.

For help and strength for those that are weak, sick, or suffering.

I give you thanks and praise. I pray for the littlest of all needs, myself.

for those that are closest to me, because I love them.



† Thank you God †

Thank you God for this new day,
In my school to work and pray,
Please be with me all day long,
In every story, game and song.
May all the happy things we do,
Make you, Our Father, happy too!



OUR PARISH VISION

1. A dynamic worshipping community - where people come for the first time and immediately sense the presence of God
2. A community where everyone is growing in their understanding of the Catholic Faith
3. A community where everyone is growing in the life of prayer and their relationship with God
4. A community where pastoral, spiritual and practical care is given to those in need
5. A community where more people are actively involved in the Mission of the Church.

OUR PARISH PRAYER

Loving Father,

You so loved the world that you sent us your only Son, that we might believe in Him and have eternal life.

May we encounter Jesus Christ anew this day and live the Good News with joy.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit, Help us to "go out to the whole world and proclaim" our faith with confidence.

Give us the courage to witness to the joy of the Gospel by our words and actions.

Help our parish to become more welcoming and missionary, so that you may be known and loved by all people.

We make this prayer through Our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever,

Amen

EDITOR'S NOTE

We hope you enjoyed edition 5 of "the Augustinian".

A particular thank to Ben, who contributed a major article and formatted the magazine. Thank you also to all who contributed and apologies to those whose articles have had to be held back.

We have some starting material for Augustinian 6, which we hope to have available before Christmas. If you have anything to contribute, let me have it as soon as possible so that we can start formatting it.

Chris