

# **Endcliffe Parish Church of St Augustine**

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# Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August– Trinity 10

10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Dr Ela Nutu Hall

# Message from Viv Smith

There will be no organised children's activities during the summer holidays but there are toys and quiet activities at the back of church. At end of the summer holidays on Sunday 31st August there will be a Back-to-School service.

Mike and Viv would like to invite all children and their parents/carers to this family service with communion where we will be thinking about the new school year ahead. We would love it if you could bring your school bag to church. Students and their families returning to university are also welcome.

**READINGS** – page numbers are for the pew bibles Isaiah 58:9b - 14 - page 739 First Reading

Psalm 103:1 - 8 - page 597

Hebrews 12:18 - 29 - 12:2 - page 248 Second Reading

Luke 13:10 - 17 - page 83 Gospel

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 10.30am Coffee Morning at Coffika, 412/416 Ecclesall Road

#### **Next Week**

# Sunday 31st August - Trinity 11 - Back to School Service

10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Canon Mike West

**READINGS** – page numbers are for the pew bibles First Reading Proverbs 25:6 - 7 - page 653

112 - page 607 Psalm

Second Reading Hebrews 13:1 - 8, 15 - 16 - page 248

Luke 14:1, 7 - 14 - page 84 Gospel

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 10.30am Coffee morning at Nonnas, Ecclesall Road

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Trinity 12

10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Dr Ela Nutu Hall

#### A Poem to Ponder

**HEAD UP** 

A solitary little poppy.

Not another in sight for miles around.

Bravely holding its head high

despite the weeks of heat and drought,

despite its loneliness.

Giving me joy as I passed.

Help me, Lord, to hold my head up even in times of trouble

or heartache;	
knowing Your love –	
to give blessing to others.	

# Message from Viv

#### At last.

During the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> September, work on the gatepost will finally commence. Although there will be vehicular access it will be somewhat restricted, so you are advised not to park at the back of church while the work is ongoing. It is expected to take three days. This will not affect weekends.

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# **Organ Fund**

Organ Pledge payments

For small donations (less than £50) please use the Sum-Up in church. For larger payments please use bank transfer.

If you have already set up a regular direct debit for the organ fund, could you ensure that you have the correct details, please and that your payment is marked with your family name and initial. St Augustines Endcliffe PCC

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Thanks to your generosity we have been able to pay the deposit from your pledge payments which means the church has been able to keep more money in our higher interest account so generating more for the organ fund.

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# Eco Tips – Here are some ideas to help you make 'enjoying nature' more intentional in 2025

Spend time in nature. Spending time appreciating God's creation can be an act of worship. Nature can be experienced when we notice an insect, hear a bird sing, feel the earth beneath our hands or even when we watch a documentary. There is strong evidence that nature is also good for our mental health. Try to immerse yourself in nature every day, even for just a few

minutes and give thanks to God for His good creation.

Further ideas can be found at https://arocha.org.uk/ideas-to-enjoy-nature/

Many churches adopt a different, slower rhythm over the summer months. Then the last week of August can be a time of starting to prepare for a new season, a new term, and tidying up after a more relaxed summer. Let's pray that more churches embrace managing their land for nature and leave seedheads to form for birds, especially rose heads for rosehips. Check hedges before cutting in case of late nesting birds like thrushes and blackbirds and take note of departing swifts, protecting the places where they've nested for their hoped-for return next year.

## **Eco Tips**

The Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October) is dedicated to God as the creator and sustainer of all life. During this period of the church calendar, many churches celebrate Harvest, thanking God for His provision through the land and food that is grown. It's a time when churches and congregations are called to pay special attention to the responsibility of humanity for the Earth and for all that lives upon it, and to pray for our world. Explore A Rocha UK's season of creation resources at: arocha.org.uk/what-we-do/season-of-creation.

To access the website for St Augustine's please follow the link to the site on <u>AChurchNearYou</u> If you want to book the hall please send an email to <u>staugustinessheffield.hall@gmail.com</u>

The main contact email for St Augustine's is now <u>staugustines.endcliffe@gmail.com</u> which is monitored by Revd Ela Nutu Hall and Catherine Rooker-Brown who will forward any mail to the relevant person.