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Endcliffe Parish Church of St Augustine

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Welcoming all, Following Jesus, Growing together



SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 12

10.30am Holy Communion led by Revd Dr Ela Nutu Hall

During the week beginning 8th 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.

READINGS – page numbers are for the pew bibles

First Reading Deuteronomy 30: 5-20 - page 205

Psalm 1 - page 530

Second Reading Philemon 1-21 – page 237

Gospel Luke 14: 25-33 - page 85

Tuesday 9th September 10.30am Red Rock Cafe. Ecclesall Rd (near the Sheffield shop)

Next Week

Sunday 14th September – Trinity 13

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rt Revd Richard Blackburn

A Poem to Ponder

WONDER AT BEAUTY

Oh the wonder of the extravagance
of beauty and individuality
in God's creation!
Both hidden and revealed.

The beauty of a tiger's or zebra's stripes!
And the wonder that each one's stripes
are particular to each individual animal,
so each can be identified from another.

The beauty of the birds of paradise,
and the wonder at how each evolved
so uniquely, so extravagantly
with such amazing plumage and displays.

The beauty of Cuban polymita snails,
so colourful, so spiralled –
right-handed Fibonacci!
Yet so endangered by their beauty.

The beauty of the light spectrum
refracted through cut crystal;
the brilliance of the rainbow colours –

undiluted glory.

The inner beauty of the geode –
an ugly rock outside,
but hiding sparkling gems
desired the world over.

O wonder-full Lord!
Your wonders are so beautiful;
Your beauties are so wonderful!
I worship You.

Joy Tobler writes
40 DAY CHALLENGE

I have signed up for a 40 day challenge in aid of the charity FREEDOM FROM TORTURE.

My aim is to write a poem a day for the 40 days, beginning on September 1st.

If you would like to see the poems as I go along, click on the following link to my fundraising page:

[FREEDOM FROM TORTURE: 40 Day Solidarity Challenge](#)



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.

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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.



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/>

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 [AChurchNearYou](#)

If you want to book the hall please send an email to staugustinessheffield.hall@gmail.com
The main contact email for St Augustine's is now staugustines.endcliffe@gmail.com which is monitored by Revd Ela Nutu Hall and Catherine Rooker-Brown who will forward any mail to the relevant person.