

# St Edmund's Newsletter



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*Twinned with St John's Parish, Siem Reap, Cambodia*

**Sunday 18th October 2020 - 29th Sunday of the Year - A**

**MORE HELP IS NEEDED, PLEASE:** To enable Mass and other Services to take place in our church, a great deal of work has to be done behind the scenes, especially stewarding those who attend the Mass, and cleaning the church afterwards. We need more volunteers for Masses, funerals and first communion Masses, etc. It would be especially helpful if volunteers could commit to a regular Mass, (e.g. weekly or bi weekly or monthly etc) but not essential. All stewards are asked to arrive at the church 30 minutes before Mass begins, when the church opens. It has become difficult finding enough people to help, so if you can volunteer, please phone the office 754358 or email [st.edmunds@btinternet.com](mailto:st.edmunds@btinternet.com). Thank you, it will help keep our church open for Masses and services.

**CHURCH CLEANING.** Apart from the necessary cleaning of the church after each Mass, it is hoped that some willing parishioners would vacuum and polish the other areas of the church now and again. If you are able to join this team, please come along after 10.30 Mass (11.30) on Sunday. With many 'hands', this should not take long. Your help would be very much appreciated.



**HELPING HANDS' GROUP** if you are, or know of anyone who is housebound, lonely or in need of practical help, shopping, changing a light bulb etc, or just a visit, or lift to the doctors, contact Sue Fullman 488147 or Mike Sinnott 764236.



**STOREHOUSE FOODBANK** is urgently in need of items. They supply many families, every day with enough food for three meals for three days. Donations can be taken from you at the Presbytery door. **Personal toiletries (incl toothpaste) Long Life milk, Pasta Sauce, Breakfast Cereals, incl porridge, tinned vegetables (including potatoes) and biscuits, fresh sliced bread and tinned meat are needed every day. ON BEHALF OF THOSE THEY HELP, THE STOREHOUSE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO ALL AT ST EDMUND'S FOR THE ONGOING SUPPORT. THANK YOU.**



## **COVID-19 Restrictions – Please Read**

We are very grateful for your efforts to keep to the guidelines for public worship that given to us by government and diocese. We appreciate how difficult it has been to adapt to the new conditions and recognise that many of the regulations can be stressful and do not feel natural. But it is necessary that we respectfully ask that people keep in mind the following:

- *Face coverings must be worn in the church at all times by all people over the age of 10 unless they have a medical exemption.*
  - *We ask that you should not enter the church if you have cold or flu symptoms.*
  - *People should sit on designated seating only and as guided by our stewards. This is to ensure that areas requiring cleaning are obvious and kept to a minimum.*
  - *The congregation should wait until they are asked by a steward to go forward for communion and receive on the hand with the palm or palms held flat so as to avoid touching the hands of the priest*
  - *Similarly the stewards will tell each aisle in turn when it is safe to leave, and we ask that people avoid congregating in the porch, on the street, or in the car park*
  - *Social distancing should be maintained at all times both in and outside the church*
- Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

## **MASSES & SERVICES at ST EDMUND KM**

<b>Saturday 17th October</b>	<i>(first Mass of Sunday)</i>
18.00	Mass For the Parish
<b>Sunday 18th October</b>	<b>29th Sunday of the Year (p577)</b>
<b>WORLD MISSION DAY</b>	
08.30	Mass Eilish Sexton †
10.30	Mass Frank Hibbert † <i>Live Streamed</i>
<b>Monday 19th October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
12.30	Mass Jacqueline Sumner †
<b>Tuesday 20th October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
09.30	Mass Chris Donlevy †
<b>Wednesday 21st October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
10.00	Mass Roger Duncan † <i>Live Streamed</i>
<b>Thursday 22nd October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
19.30	Mass Kevin Holmes †
<b>Friday 23rd October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
09.30	Mass Lydia Meakins †
<b>Saturday 24th October</b>	<b>Feria</b>
10.00	Mass Antoine & Victoria Desira †
18.00	Mass For the Parish
<b>Sunday 25th October</b>	<b>30th Sunday of the Year</b>
08.30	Mass Katie Gedge †
10.30	Mass John O'Brien †

## **EVENING PRAYER**

is "live streamed" at 19.00 on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, & 18.30 on Thursday

**MASS AT 'MONTANA', GREAT BARTON - SUNDAY 10.30.**  
**BOOKING ONLY - Phone Sr Thaya on 01284 787321**

## **FORTHCOMING SPECIAL LANGUAGE MASSES in ST EDMUND'S**

Saturday 17th October - Malayalam Mass at 13.30.  
Saturday 24th October - Polish Mass at 16.00.

Welcome to St Edmunds. Our current weekend Mass schedule is **Saturday evening at 6 pm and Sunday at 8.30 & 10.30am**. The obligation of Sunday Mass attendance is currently lifted. When in church it is a requirement to wear face covering (*except for those who are exempt*) – we have “one use” masks available for those who need one. Following each Mass the church will be closed for cleaning.

Our weekday Masses are held in the main church, opening for private prayer 30 minutes before Mass. At this stage there is no public Mass at Lawshall.

You will observe a number of changes in the way Mass is celebrated, for instance no congregational singing; no physical sign of peace; Communion is distributed only under one kind, and must be received on the hand and that we answer “Amen” together when the priest lifts up the Body and Blood of Christ, just before we come up for communion. Please only use benches marked with a ‘tick’ and follow the stewards’ instructions for moving up to receive Holy Communion.

**To prevent a congestion of people at the church door, or in the aisles, at the end of our weekend Masses please be seated and wait for instructions from the stewards for leaving the church.**

The number allowed in church is limited, so for weekend Masses we have a ‘booking’ system which opens on the Tuesday prior to the week end. This prevents people having to be turned away at the door once we have reached capacity, and also for ‘test and trace’ records. Details on how to book are on the parish website – do pass the word around to those without internet access, as it is also possible to book by phone. The parish Newsletter is available at both entrances to the church (also on line), as is the latest issue of the diocesan newspaper. The weekly Catholic newspapers are on sale in the church porch. There is a box at the back of church for your weekly offertory collection.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Wednesday and Saturday mornings, after the 10.00 am Mass, and is celebrated in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel – Please wait in the benches at the back of the church and observe social distancing. The “lock down” affected people in all sorts of ways – if you would like to speak with one of the clergy then don’t hesitate to make contact with us.

With the new system now installed in the main church our ‘live streamed’ Sunday Mass is the 10.30 am and we will also ‘live stream’ the Wednesday 10.00 am Mass. Evening prayer is ‘live streamed’ at 19.00 on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday, & 18.30 on Thursday.

There was much positive feedback about the possible new sound system we tried three weeks ago. We will need to put in an application to the Historic Churches Committee and our parish finance committee. There has been a suggestion that we keep open the Appeal we made for the Live Streaming system, as any new donations would help cover the cost of the sound system. Please mark envelopes “New Sound System”.

Many thanks to our wonderful volunteers and for your co-operation at this challenging time.

Also, please keep in your prayers the children who will receive Holy Communion for the first time this Sunday afternoon.

*Fr David*

**PARISH CLERGY:**

Canon David Bagstaff

Fr Jay Magpuyo

Fr Mike Brookes

Rev Alan McMahon

Rev Brett Gladden

Parish Priest

Assistant Priest

Assistant Priest

Deacon

Deacon

**PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH**

**FOR OUR SICK:** Tony Aldous, Pat Austin, Joan Bennett, Jean Burdoc, Gerald Curry, Nicolette Finch, Jacqueline Holmes, Malcolm Fincham Jacques, Winnie Gare, Deacon Chris Heath, Yvonne Hlbert, Priscilla Lupton, Sr Flora, Dee Peters, Fr Gerry Quigley, Richard Reid, Martin Reilly, Anthea Rix, Tom Rushe, David Smeeth Cardy, Susan Toole, Mary Tuffen, Fr John Warrington, Marie Whatling, Jim Whyte, Romaine Wright. May the Lord bring them comfort and healing.

**FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK** Felice Leonforte, Ethne Wilding, Peggy McInerney, Marietta Vassallo, Evelyn Whiting, Rose Macmanus, Beryl Todd, Janet Laing, Roger Duncan, Joseph Stahl, Joy Bartlett, Alfonso Watkins, Michael Dobbyn, Isabel Hickey Michael Byrne.

**PETER TAME** who died recently. May he rest in the loving peace of Christ.

**CONFIRMATION IN THE PARISH OF ST EDMUND KING & MARTYR.**

If you are in Year 9 and above, are parishioners of St Edmund's and wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation next Summer, please email [confirmationatstedmunds@gmail.com](mailto:confirmationatstedmunds@gmail.com) by 31st October.

**JOURNEY IN FAITH** (RCIA) This is for those who are thinking about becoming a Catholic and/or would like to know more about their faith. If this is **YOU**, then please email the presbytery asap as we would like to set up this year’s programme.

**HOME COMMUNIONS:** Please let the clergy know if you are no longer able to get to church and would like Holy Communion brought to you at home.

**COVID-19:** The Catholic Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales Department for Social Justice has produced a paper on COVID-19 and Vaccination and copies are available from the back of church or on the church website. Please take time to read it.

**ROSARY WHIRLWIND IN OCTOBER** – for Faith, Life and Peace. For details about taking part visit the diocesan website: [www.rcdea.org.uk](http://www.rcdea.org.uk)

**FINANCIAL MATTERS:** Many thanks for your continuing generosity. There is a collection box at the back of church for your regular weekly offering or you can put it through the presbytery door. You may prefer to set up a Standing Order with your bank. Here are the details you will need:

NATWEST, St Edmund’s Parish, sort code: 60-04-16, a/c no: 56268769.



Any cheques for the parish should be made out to: **St Edmund’s Parish.**

The parish is very grateful for your continuing support.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Please return your CAFOD envelope, either put it in the basket near the door or hand your donations in at the Presbytery, or donate online: [cafod.org.uk/give](http://cafod.org.uk/give).

Today is **World Mission Sunday**, when Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for **Missio**, his charity for world mission. Please support missionaries working alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Visit [mission.org.uk](http://mission.org.uk) for further details.