



St Edmund's Newsletter

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Sunday 25th July 2021 - 17th Sunday of the Year - B

MASSES in the PARISH of ST EDMUND KM *booking only

Saturday 24th July

18.00* *First Mass of Sunday*

Christy Brennan †

Sunday 25th July

08.30* Mass

17th Sunday of the Year (p757)

10.30* Mass Live streamed

For the Parish

10.30* Mass at Lawshall

John Miller †

Margaret Ward †

Monday 26th July

12.30 Mass Live streamed

SS Joachim & Anne

Tuesday 27th July

09.30 Mass Live streamed

Robin Taylor †

Feria

Wednesday 28th July

10.00 Mass Live streamed

Fr Bill Mason †

Feria

10.30 - 11.30 *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Jean Mary Harper †

Thursday 29th July

19.30 Mass Live streamed

St Martha

Friday 30th July

09.30 Mass Live streamed

Kathleen Philp †

Feria

Saturday 31st July

10.00 Mass Live streamed

Chris Heath †

St Ignatius of Loyola

18.00* *First Mass of Sunday*

Des Greene †

For the Parish

Sunday 1st August

08.30* Mass

18th Sunday of the Year (p760)

10.30* Mass Live streamed

Carmen & Angelo Caruana †

10.30* Mass at Lawshall

Gabrielle Lamont's Intention

Lesley Morgan's Intention

'MONTANA' GREAT BARTON Sunday 10.30; Mon - Fri 08.15
PLEASE BOOK FOR SUNDAY MASS BY FRIDAY 16.00 on 01284 787321

FORTH COMING SPECIAL LANGUAGE MASSES

Malayalam Mass at St Edmund's: Saturday 7th August at 15.00

Polish Mass at St Edmund's: Saturday 14th August at 16.00

PARKING DURING THE HOLIDAYS. The building works for a new school building will begin on 26th July. From this date the builders will need access through the carpark into the playground at all times. Although the children are not on site, staff are still working in the school throughout the holidays and so the car park will be used by staff and contractors. Please do not park unless there is space to do so in a designated space and do not block others in, who may be visiting the school and need to leave. As there will be major building works taking place vehicle and emergency access must be maintained at all times so please do not park on the yellow hatching. Thank you.

HOUSE PRAYER GROUP at The White House, Little Whelnetham, IP30 0DG, 10.30 on the third Thursday of each month. Everyone welcome. Contact Sarah on 07776 144003.

LAST DAY TO BOOK FOR ENGLAND'S WAY! A trip like no other for 16 to 30 year olds - walking and camping from Ely to Walsingham, England's Nazareth. Wednesday 28th July- Saturday 1st August. **Sign up for just £50** (plus booking fee). For info and booking visit www.englishsway.org. **Booking closes Sunday 18th July at**



Churches Together Summer Celebration in the Abbey Gardens Sunday 8th August 13.30—16.15

Everyone is invited to bring a picnic to the Abbey Gardens where there will be music and singing from many of the Christian churches in our area. We have much 'more in common than divides us' and this is an opportunity to have a united Summer Celebration, to share God's love for all.

MARCH FOR LIFE on **Saturday 4th September** in London. If you want to go to this pro life march please phone the diocesan marriage and family life representative Sarah Ward on 07522 289449. Sarah hopes to organise a coach from our diocese. Ring before 31st July to book your seat. *Last year a record number of women in England and Wales had abortions a total of 209,917.*

URGENTLY NEEDED: someone with experience of buildings and building work to advise and help oversee work necessary for the ongoing maintenance of our beautiful church. Please see Fr David.

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 always 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 (incl 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

'Montana' Home for the Elderly, Great Barton. 1 double room available, 1 single room available and 1 flat in Oakampton House. Contact Sr Thaya 01284 787321.

We welcome parishioners and visitors to St Edmunds on this, the 17th Sunday in Ordinary time. Many thanks to all who attended last week's Open Meeting – it was very positive and quite a few things were discussed, some of which can be actioned immediately. With the changes introduced in England on the 19th July we will be making just a few changes with regard to the current restrictions in the liturgy and our church buildings. Much more emphasis is being placed on personal responsibility, but we also need to have a collective responsibility. When entering the church it is still a requirement to sanitise your hands and to check in for "Track and Trace"; the wearing of face covering is voluntary, but many may prefer to continue doing so, as it is still encouraged in an enclosed place. We must respect each other's decision with regard to this. The church building will still be regularly cleaned. All Masses will be in the main church. Communion is recommended to be distributed in the hand, but for anyone wishing to receive on the tongue they should wait until the end of the communion line and receive then, thus reducing the risk of viral contamination. We will be introducing a second point of distribution for Holy Communion. Altar Servers may also now resume their duties and singing will be gradually re-introduced. Please feel free to offer "the sign of peace" during Mass to those beside you, but avoiding physical contact, unless you are family members. The obligation of Sunday Mass attendance remains lifted and you can read more about this in the recent Statement from the Bishop's Conference. It is on the parish website and there are some copies in the porch.

For our weekend Masses (including Lawshall) we will continue to operate a 'booking' system for at least the next few weekends. However, we will be increasing the numbers a little as we are aware a number of parishioners are unable to book a place.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume on a Wednesday morning from the end of Mass until 11.30am.

Please continue to only use benches marked with a 'tick' and follow the stewards' instructions for moving up to receive Holy Communion. **PLEASE MAINTAIN SOME DISTANCING WHEN COMING FORWARD FOR HOLY COMMUNION.**

To prevent a congestion of people at the church door, or in the aisles, at the end of our weekend Masses please remain seated and wait for instructions from the stewards for leaving the church. Any socialising should still be well away from the church doors.

We are live-streaming all our weekday Masses, and the 10.30 Sunday Mass; also Evening Prayer (Vespers) Sunday to Friday at 19.00 (Thursday at 18.30).

Fr David, Fr Jay, Fr Mike, Deacon Alan & Deacon Brett

ST EDMUND'S CHURCH IS OPEN DURING THE DAY TIME for private visits but those visiting must take responsibility for: Sanitising hands upon entry; optional wearing of face covering; signing in (or using the smart phone QR code); cleaning the seat where you sit with the cleaning spray & paper towels. The church is usually be open 08.30 - 18.00, unless there is an evening Mass when it will close after that.

SEPTEMBER MOVES: Bishop Alan has asked Fr Michael to take up the position of "Parish Administrator" at St Edmund's, Bungay. Fr Charles OSB is retiring from that parish in August. Fr Mike's move from here will take place mid-September. We wish Fr Mike every blessing for this new appointment and thank him for his two years of ministry in Bury St Edmunds – He will be missed. There will be an opportunity to express our thanks more formally at a later date. Bishop Alan has appointed Fr Antony Arockiam as assistant priest to our parish. He is currently working in the Cathedral Parish, Norwich.

Sacrament of Reconciliation : Wednesday & Saturday after the 10.00 Mass

PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISH

FOR OUR SICK: Tony Aldous, Christine Bates, Simon Bishop, David Bosworth, Jean Burdock, Paul Butler, Gerald Curry, Nicolette Finch, Jacqueline Holmes, Malcolm Fincham Jacques, Yvonne Hlbbert, Priscilla Lupton, Sr Flora, Dee Peters, Fr Gerry Quigley, Richard Reid, Anthea Rix, Rita Scarlett, Leila Sekula, Frank & Joy Short, David Smeeth Cardy, Susan Toole, Mary Tuffen, Jim Whyte, Beverley Whelan. May the Lord bring them comfort & healing.

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK Mgr John Drury, John Miller, Patrick McAndrew, Mary Saunders, Marie Smith, Tom Bryant, Joyce Otterson, Sharon Wild, Jennifer Morris, George Mingay, Gerard Bartley, Pauline Kirk, Peter Leeder, Elizabeth Dalton Brockwell, Patricia Gay.

PATRICK GOULD, TONY PARKINSON & BRIDGET TAWS who died recently. May they rest in the loving peace of Christ and the Lord bring comfort to their family and friends.

MEETING FOR ALL ALTAR SERVERS with Fr Jay to discuss the way forward with Masses, today, Sunday 25th July at 12.15 in the Crypt.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: BBQ in the garden of the Presbytery from noon on Saturday 7th August, for all our **Stewards and Cleaners** who have worked tirelessly through out the past 16 months to keep the church open, and parishioners safe.

Parish AGM - Sunday 19th September following the 10.30 Mass, in the Crypt. All welcome.

As many of you will know when Bishop Alan Hopes reached his 75th birthday in March 2019 he offered his resignation to Pope Francis. He was asked to continue as our bishop until his successor was appointed. The process has now begun and we are all invited to support it by our prayer. The following prayer could be used daily; those praying the rosary could offer it for the intentions of the diocese and for those responsible for the appointment of our next bishop.

O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unfailing care,
Grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your church
who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen

Our Lady of Walsingham, Pray for us. St Felix, Pray for us,
All Holy Martyrs and Saints of East Anglia, Pray for us.



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.**



SPIRITUAL DIRECTION is being offered by Fr Paul Maddison. For more information pick up a card from the porch and visit his website.