

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS next meet on SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER 11.00.

Encounter Our Father. Have you ever had the time to stop and think about the meaning of the words of the **Our Father** prayer in Matthew 6:9-13. Would you like to engage with a guided reflection on the wonderful message contained in the **Our Father**? It will be a time for personal thought and prayer with no pressure to share your thoughts.

Join us on **Saturday 14th October 2023 10:45 to 16.30** in the crypt of **St. Edmunds Church**, and make the time to **Encounter Our Father** in quiet personal reflection. Tea, coffee and biscuits from 10.15 and throughout the day. **Please bring your lunch with you.**

Quiz Night in support of Our Lady Immaculate Church, Lawshall. **Saturday 14th October, 19.30 at Lawshall Village Hall, IP29 4PB.** Teams of 4 - 6, but if you would like to attend and join a table as a single or pair, please get in touch. £10 per head, to include a Ploughman's supper. Bring your own alcohol, tuck shop with soft drinks available. Tickets from Sarah Farr: 07776 144003, or Pat Field 07769 953464, or Presbytery 01284 754358.

CHURCH HISTORY GROUP meet 19.00 on Monday 16th October 2023 - any queries to John Saunders jes767894@btinternet.com

TIME, TALENTS & TREASURE REVISITED event in the Crypt – 28th/29th October

Do you remember the successful Time, Talents and Treasure Diocesan led campaign we held earlier in the year? This resulting in an increase in financial giving as well as many more Parishioners becoming involved in activities and groups. We are hosting display and information sessions in the crypt over the weekend 28/29 October after all Masses. Do come along for an update on the success of the campaign. There will be information on gift aid and you can talk to church activity organisers and new volunteers to see what they do, you may feel inspired to join them! There will be tea, coffee and cake to enjoy too!

If you are an organiser or a new volunteer and you would like to participate in this event please talk to Maree Reilly or Rosemarie Counihan, or email to mreilly775@btinternet.com

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2024. The 1st meeting for candidates and parents will be on Monday 30th October at 19.00 in Church. This is for young people currently in Y9 or above.



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 07942 373448



STOREHOUSE FOODBANK is always in need of items. They supply many families, every day with enough food for three meals for three days. Personal toiletries (incl tooth paste) Long Life milk, Pasta Sauce, Breakfast Cereals, porridge, tinned vegetables (incl potatoes) biscuits, fresh sliced bread and tinned meat are needed everyday.



DONATIONS CAN BE LEFT AT THE BACK OF CHURCH IN THE BOX PROVIDED.

Poppy Appeal volunteers are wanted for this year's campaign at local supermarkets. For details, contact John Saunders 07794409793 or jes767894@btinternet.com if you can assist.



St Edmund's Newsletter

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Sunday 8th October 2023 - 27th Sunday of the Year - Year A

MASSES in the PARISH of ST EDMUND KM

Saturday 7th October

18.00 *First Mass of Sunday*

Antoine & Victoria Desira †

Sunday 8th October

08.30 Mass

27th Sunday of the Year (p570)

10.30 Mass Live streamed

Thankamma Xavier †

10.30 Mass at Lawshall

Bernard Burke †

For the Parish

Monday 9th October

12.00 Mass (*W.S Hospital*)

St John Henry Newman

Threisamma Chacko †

Tuesday 10th October

09.30 Mass

Feria

Marie March †

Wednesday 11th October

10.00 Mass Live streamed

Feria

Lydia Meakins †

10.30 - 11.30 *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Thursday 12th October

19.00 Mass

Feria

Mary James †

Friday 13th October

09.30 Mass

Feria

Mary Smith †

Saturday 14th October

10.00 Mass

Feria

April Falcon †

18.00 *First Mass of Sunday*

John Gooch †

Sunday 15th October

08.30 Mass

28th Sunday of the Year (p574)

10.30 Mass Live streamed

Fr Edgar Hardwick †

10.30 Mass at Lawshall

For the Parish

Frank Short †

FORTH COMING SPECIAL LANGUAGE MASSES

Polish Mass at St Edmund's: Sunday 16.45.

Malayalam Mass at St Edmund's: Saturday 21st October 13.30; Saturday 4th November 15.00

MASS AT 'MONTANA' GT BARTON: Sunday 10.30; Mon - Fri 10.30; No Mass Saturday.

Fr Sean Writes:

This weekend we have our annual harvest collection to support the work of CAFOD. The money we raise will go to supporting mobile medical clinics working across Pakistan. Last year when flooding hit the country, these clinics were vital in getting doctors, nurses and other medical staff to people in desperate need. Please be generous and remember, if you are a tax payer, you can gift aid your donation by completing the tear off slip on your CAFOD envelope and enclosing it with your donation. Thank you for your support!

This weekend at all Masses we will have an opportunity to vote for 2 new members of the Parish Council as well as on a change to the Christmas Mass times as proposed by the Council. Voting slips with details of the candidates and proposed changes are in the newsletters. Please complete a slip before before Mass actually starts.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY. Today, children's liturgy resumes and will be in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel - Please make sure your children are registered before Mass begins.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Wednesday & Saturday after the 10.00 Mass

'I thank you all for the cards you gave me, wishing me well in my new apostolate as the Priest in Charge of St George's Parish. Thank you for the farewell Mass we had on the 18th September and for your generosity. Remember me in your prayers as I also pray for you.'
Fr Walter Chenyika

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? If you are, **PLEASE** let us know, other-wise the Chaplain will not know you are there, the only way we can find you is if you tell us, **so please let us know if you would like a visit.** If you or one of your relatives needs a priest in an emergency, i.e. **imminent danger of death**, please ask a member of staff to ring the Catholic Chaplain. The same applies for Addenbrookes Hospital. We also need to be told if someone goes into a nursing/care home.

The car park next to the church is being resurfaced during half term 23rd Oct to 27th Oct. This means there will be no access or parking at all during this period.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS If you would like flowers placed on Our Lady's Altar in memory of a loved one, please contact: st.edmunds@btinternet.com with the specific date. A donation of £15 would be appreciated.



PARISH CLERGY:

Fr Sean Connolly	Parish Priest
Fr Mark Ashwood	Assistant Priest
Fr Anil Zachery	Assistant Priest
Rev Alan McMahon	Deacon
Rev Brett Gladden	Deacon

WE PRAY FOR

OUR SICK: Tony Aldous, Christine Bates, Simon Bishop, Imelda Brown, Jean Burdock, Paul Butler, Enid Cobbold, Henry Desira, Steven Desira, Marge Finch, Malcolm Fincham Jacques, Olive Greenstreet, Jo Gooch, Yvonne Hibbert, Alice Kavanagh, Philomena Leach, Brendan McMullan, Sr Flora, Fr Gerry Quigley, Richard Reid, Anthea Rix, Sandra Ryder, Joe Scanlon, Rita Scarlett, Joy Short, David Smeeth Cardy, Shirley Taylor, Susan Toole, Mary Tuffen, Alan Turner, Jo Waters, Bob Waters, Jim Whyte, Beverley Whelan. May the Lord bring them comfort and healing.

THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK: Tony Allen, Annie Vickers, Sheila Douglas, Mary McDermott, Veronica Dupuy, Pamela Northway, Bernard Burke, Anne Moore, William Roxburgh, Bridget Ward, Harry Mason, Dan Lacy Scott, Mollie Phipps, Thomas McCarthy, Frederick Holden, Martin Watson, Kathleen Iwaszko, Kathleen Lawrence, Elaine Fenner, Margaret Skelhorn.

ENCOUNTER JESUS on second Monday of the month (9th Oct) 19.45 - 21.00 . A time of sung Praise, worship and silent prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Join us in the Blessed Sacrament chapel for as long or short a time as you are able. Contact Clare 07868 371557.



SUNDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: First Sunday of each month, (5th November), 14.00 - 15.00. Do try to come along and enjoy this time of prayer and reflection.

The next **BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE** will be in the Crypt on **Wednesday 22nd November** 18.00. Please contact the office to book a place. 01284 754358.

TOYS FOR TODDLERS are available to be borrowed during Mass. They are in bags at the bottom of the hymn book stand. The bags include wipes to use on the toys used before they are returned.

TODDLER GROUP Fridays, term time, 09.00 - 11.30 in the Crypt. Pop in for tea/coffee and a chat.

'LIVING WATERS' prayer group. Every Wednesday in the Crypt at 19.30.

MORETON HALL HOUSE GROUP meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month (18th Oct) at 14.00. Everyone welcome. Please contact Sheila on 07471 181328 for details.

THE REPOSITORY is open after 10.30 Mass on Sunday for cards, statues, gifts, Sunday Missals, etc.

FINANCIAL MATTERS: Many thanks for your continuing generosity. Last week the collection from St Edmund's Parish came to £1056.95 and £1490 through Standing Orders. If you would like 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'*.

St Benedict's School is currently advertising for an Assistant Headteacher responsible for student conduct and engagement to start in January 2024 L10-L15. The vacancy is advertised on TES and on the school's website.