

Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon
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St Edmund Campion Deanery, Old Berkshire – Thames ISIS Pastoral Area

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Confessions: Saturday, 11.00 – 11.30am or by appointment

Parish Life

Cash4Coins collection. TODAY at all Masses there is a retiring collection of foreign currency for the SVP. If you don't have any, we can also accept your ordinary British money instead. If you have forgotten your foreign money today, you can put it in an envelope marked 'SVP Cash4Coins' and put it through the presbytery door. Thank you!

Red Mission Boxes The Holy Father has now named Oct 2019 as an Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM2019). His prayer intentions are included in this month's magazine. Also included are Daily Reflections for the whole world. The free Missio booklets and prayer cards are available at the back of Church.

WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER During the week of 29th September to 5th October, each participant receives one on one Spiritual direction, for many this is their first experience of being listened to in a holy, safe and confidential space. A sign-up sheet is available at the back of the church or on the news page of our website, to express your interest in attending. It is not too late to register - the deadline is 22nd September. You can also get more information by contacting Eileen at: eileenpbrooks@gmail.com

SPECIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EVENT this Saturday – a church service, simple meal and Climate Quiz - to mark the end of the Season of Creation. We are inviting members of the other churches in Abingdon to a Service of Thanksgiving and Commitment to Caring for the Environment, that Our Lady and St Edmund's is hosting on Sat 5th October at 7pm. We hope that as many parishioners as possible will be able to attend and welcome others to our church. There is no charge for this event (though donations towards food costs are welcome). Poster at the back of church. More info from Anne Dodd 525997 and Angela Waterhouse 07866 195998.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 29 September

8.45am	Mass	Brenda Faux RIP
10.15am	Mass	Paul Gibbons RIP
6.30pm	Mass	Gabriel Dover RIP

Monday 30 September St Jerome

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Oona Sogoler RIP

Tuesday 1 October St Teresa of the Child Jesus

NO Mass See: www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk/thames-isis-pastoral-area for other masses

Wednesday 2 October The Holy Guardian Angels

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Romano Gardiol RIP

Thursday 3 October

9am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Private Intention

Friday 4 October St Francis of Assisi

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Josephine O'Connell RIP

Saturday 5 October Our Lady on Saturday

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	The Bregazzi Family RIP

PAX CHRISTI Copies of the current issue of Justpeace are at the back of church. This issue focuses on the engagement of young people in peace, justice and environmental issues. Please help yourself to a copy if you wish.

NOTICES/POSTERS IN OUR CHURCH If you have anything that you would like displayed, please can you send it, or hand it in, to the parish

office in the first instance. If appropriate, it will then be displayed for a suitable period of time. Please do not leave items in the church yourself or move the ones already displayed. For guidance on notices/posters, anything above A5 size makes it difficult to be displayed and we may reduce the size for practical purposes. Thank you for your understanding.

Faith Development

The Future of the Church – walking together is the theme of the ACTA Study and reflection day led by Prof. Tom O’Loughlin Professor of Historical Theology, Nottingham University, with mini-presentations of parish projects: Caritas, Live Simply, Laudato Si’, refugee project. This Saturday 5th October, 10.30–4.15 finishing with Mass of Sunday at 4.30 p.m. Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham, Fareham, Hants. PO17 5HA. Tel Ab 532296 If you would like a lift to this conference.

Day for Catechists and Children’s Liturgy Leaders –

Portsmouth Cathedral, 19th October 10am to 4pm
The Dominican Sisters and the Formation for Mission team invite everyone engaged in passing on the faith to children, young people and adults to Portsmouth Cathedral on Saturday 19th October for a day of thanksgiving, celebration and formation where we will discover ways to share our faith in Jesus Christ as his witnesses within our ministries. The day will be led by Fr Mark Hogan, and Mass will be celebrated in thanksgiving for all diocesan catechists. Lunch will be provided. Register online:
<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists> or phone the Dominican Sisters to book a place: 01590 681874

Parish Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Knock Co. Mayo, Ireland. 11th to 15th May 2020.

If you would like to join Fr Jamie on a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Knock, you are invited to a short meeting and video on Monday 7th October in the parish centre at 7.00pm. The cost of the pilgrimage is £649 sharing per person. Including all transfers, flights, accommodation, meals and excursions. Booking forms and further details of the pilgrimage will be available. If you are interested in the pilgrimage, please sign the sheet at the back of the church. If you cannot make the meeting but are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

School News

OLA School for 3 – 18 year olds Open Morning Sat 12 October 2019, 10.00am – 12.30pm. You can:

- Talk to our Headteachers, staff and pupils
- Tour our Nursery & Reception, Junior & Senior Schools
- Try out a wide range of exciting activities

Find out what makes us different so your child achieves more! To find out all you need to know visit www.olab.org.uk/Open-Morning. We hope to see you soon.

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments at 10.15am Mass

Tuesday RCIA Group 7.30pm

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30am

Friday Baby & Toddler Group 9.30am
SVP meeting 7.30pm

Saturday Season of Creation Meal & Quiz, 7.30pm

N.B. All take place in the Parish Centre unless specified

Future Diary Dates

7th October Knock Shrine Pilgrimage Information Evening 7pm, Parish Centre

19th October Diocesan Day for Catechists Portsmouth Cathedral 10am-4pm.

Youth Events

Please look at the events calendar on our website in the Youth section for more details of ALL events.

SATURDAY 5th October:

** Children of Our Lady (COOL) group meets from 3.30 to 5.00pm in the Parish Centre (primary school years 3 to 6 are all invited).*

** St Edmund’s Knights meet from 3.30-5.00pm in the Parish Centre (young people in secondary school are all invited).*

Reminders of future events are always included in the parish weekly newsletter and the full programme can be viewed in the youth section on our parish website at: www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk/events

More info: bhabayeb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Antiphons for Year I, Week XXVI Ordinary Time

EA: All that you have done to us, O Lord,
you have done with true judgement,
for we have sinned against you
and not obeyed your commandments.
But give glory to your name
and deal with us according to the bounty of your
mercy.

CA: Remember your word to your servant, O
Lord,
by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Money Matters 15th September 2019

Envelopes £238.55 Loose Plate £ 660.79

Average weekly Gift Aid Standing Orders £995

Many thanks

Counters: R. & P. Taylor, M. Webster

Cleaners: K. Gibbons, S. Pritchett