

# ***Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon***

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Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No 246871	www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	

**Confessions: Saturday, 11.00 – 11.30am or by appointment**

### **Parish Life**

**The total raised** for the Lenten charities has now reached £8,433. The final total will be announced in the coming weeks. Many thanks for all the generous support.

#### **St Edmund's School, Summer Fair - Raffle Tickets**

Please support St Edmund's School by buying raffle tickets for a prize draw at our Summer fair.

Tickets will be on sale today after every mass.

The Summer Fair is on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 12.00 - 2.30, please come and join us!

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** 22 parishioners are on a pilgrimage in the Holy Land until 30<sup>th</sup> May. They will pray for you – please also pray for them. You can follow their progress on the parish blog on our website (in the 'News' section):

<https://www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk/parish-blog>

**Safe guarding training** is taking place in the Parish Centre NEXT SATURDAY, 1st June. There are two sessions: Child protection session 10:00 -12:30 and a Refreshers Training 1:30 - 4 pm. The latter (refresher) course is a requirement for those who completed the initial training in safe guarding three years ago. Please email [soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) to book a place on the course.

**CAN YOU HELP?** An older parishioner is looking for someone - to - one help with her basic literacy skills. Is there anyone in the parish who has experience of teaching adult literacy who would be able to help.? For further information please contact Anne Ab 525997 or Angela 532296.

**NEXT SUNDAY** there will be a second collection for Catholic Communications Network.

**Parish Day with Open Air Mass** (hopefully), will take

### **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

#### **Sunday 26 May**

8.45am	Mass	Carolyn Maria Tucker RIP
10.15am	Mass	Geraldine O'Kelly RIP
6.30pm	Mass	Maurice Dickenson RIP

#### **Monday 27 May ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY**

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Sylvia Brown RIP

#### **Tuesday 28 May**

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Anthony Buchi Intentions

#### **Wednesday 29 May**

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Bob Finch RIP

#### **Thursday 30 May THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

9am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Jennifer Doyle RIP

#### **Friday 31 May THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Gabriel Dover RIP

#### **Saturday 1 June St Justin**

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	Janina Stachowiak & Wacław Szymkowiak RIP

place on 21<sup>st</sup> July at 10.30am, in the gardens. Our Lenten cheques will be presented to the three charities, and we will renew our 'Covenant with the Poor'. We will also present Fr. Rob with a farewell donation before he starts his ministry elsewhere. As we did for Fr. Phil, if you would

like to contribute to our donation, please put your gift in an envelope marked "Fr. Rob F.T.A.O PPC" and leave it at the Parish Office. Many thanks.

**PAX CHRISTI** There are copies of the Annual Report of this Catholic Movement for Peace on the table at the back of church. Please take one if you wish.

**International Evening** on 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre please bring a dish from your country of origin for us to share. Drinks will be provided. It will be a fun evening you can also bring a board game to make us discover new games. There no entrance fee but we are welcoming donations to go towards our Lenten Project to support the 3 charities chosen. Please contact Eliane on 07932350951 for info.

### **Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman Talk**

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June Parish Centre at 7.30pm  
An illustrated presentation on Blessed John Henry Newman by Andrew Nash. Would you like to learn more about Blessed John Henry Newman who is due to be canonised this year by Pope Francis? All welcome

### **Faith Development**

The next **Healing Mass** at the Carmelite Priory, Boars Hill will be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 7pm. This mass is set within the context of our broken world and belief in God's promise of abundant life. Together with the laying on of hands and anointing, these evenings are times set apart for us to experience and receive God's gifts of wholeness and peace - for ourselves, for those we are concerned for, and for the world. There is a healing mass on the first Tuesday of every month.

**Abingdon Street Pastors** have a vacancy for a Co-Ordinator (average 10 hours per week. £10 per hr). The role provides overall administrative support for the Street Pastor initiative in Abingdon. For further information about the vacancy please visit <https://streetpastors.org/locations/abingdon/> or email Ed Evans at Ed Evans (ede@occ.org.uk) Applications: Please send your CV and application letter to Dr Ed Evans by email to Ed Evans (ede@occ.org.uk) or by post c/o Dr Ed Evans, Abingdon Street Pastors. 35 Ock Street, Abingdon, OX14.5AG. Closing date: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

**Newman's anticipated canonisation.** The Oxford University Catholic chaplaincy is hosting a series of talks at the chaplaincy in anticipation of Newman's canonisation in the autumn. These talks will be on Tuesdays at 7pm on 28<sup>th</sup> May and 4<sup>th</sup> June. All talks are open to everyone. For further details contact Tessa Sheaf at sheaftessa@hotmail.com

## **Parish Events for the Week**

**TODAY** Refreshments after 10.15am Mass

**Tuesday** RCIA 7.30pm

**Wednesday** Cake & Conversation 9.30-11am

**Friday** Baby & Toddler Group 9.30am

**Saturday** Safeguarding Training from 10am

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

## **Future Diary Dates**

**14<sup>th</sup> June** International Evening 7.30pm Parish Centre

**15<sup>th</sup> June** St Edmund's School, Summer Fair, 12noon - 2.30pm

**21<sup>st</sup> July** Parish Day - Outdoor Mass and BBQ

**26<sup>th</sup> July - 9<sup>th</sup> Aug** Parish Office closed

## **Youth Events**

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

*\* The next event for Parish Youth Groups (Years 3 to 6) is **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 3.30-5.00pm**. More info: [bhabayeb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:bhabayeb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)*

**I.T. - avoiding the scams:** Internet fraud is increasingly common and increasingly convincing. To help its members avoid the scams, All Saints Methodist Church has organized an advice session on June 25<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. The speaker, NatWest's Community Banker from Aylesbury, comes very highly recommended and her talk will suit all levels of internet proficiency. The event is free and open to all - come along and bring anyone you feel might benefit.

### **Money Matters** 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Envelopes £301.51    Loose Plate £690.88  
Average weekly Gift Aid Standing Orders £995  
Many thanks

**Counters:** C. Macfarlane, T. Murphy, G. Brady

**Cleaners:** W. O'Brien