

Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon
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Confessions: Saturday, 11.00 – 11.30am or by appointment

Parish Life

Parish Office closed tomorrow, Monday 16th September.

SEASON OF CREATION & GARDEN PRODUCE STALL
TODAY there will be a special Mass celebrating God's Created World and our part in it. After each Mass there will be a Garden Produce Stall outside church. If you have an excess of fruit, veg, flowers etc. from your garden or allotment, or home produce, jams pickles etc. please bring them to church before Mass. They will be sold after each Mass to other parishioners to raise funds for CAFOD to support their Common Home Campaign.

Empty jam jars needed for the youth group. If anyone has any, please could you put them in the box under the table at the back of the church. Thank you

Confirmation sessions start this Sunday. Please keep the young people in your prayers.

Christian Focus: The Autumn edition is now available at the back of the church. As always, there are articles by our parishioners. Only 50p!

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.

BIBLE ALIVE – OCTOBER EDITION. Copies of Bible Alive are available every month at the back of the church, for only £2.50. Please do take a copy.

JOURNEYING TOGETHER IN FAITH (JTIF) A new programme is starting on Wed 25th Sept, aimed at anyone who has an enquiring mind and is interested in growing their faith. This would also be a suitable programme for anyone who has completed the RCIA course. We need to know numbers, so if you are

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15 September

8.45am	Mass	Josephine O'Connor RIP
10.15am	Mass	Isabella Paterson Intentions
4.30pm	Polish Mass	
6.30pm	Mass	Luca Scramoncin RIP

Monday 16 September Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Fr. Rob Intentions

Tuesday 17 September

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

Wednesday 18 September

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Emma Flood RIP

Thursday 19 September

9am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Marion Kearns RIP

Friday 20 September St Andrew Kim Taegon, St Paul Chong Hasang & Companions

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Edna Harrold RIP

Saturday 21 September ST MATTHEW

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	David Graham RIP

interested in taking part, please can you fill in the form on the table at the back of the church or on the 'News' section of our website.

Cash4Coins collection. On Sunday 29th September the SVP will be having its annual collection of foreign money. We can take currency – notes or coins – from any country.

Please could you remember to bring it with you to Mass that day. Thank you!

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.

'Be Free Young Carers' is currently the only organisation in Oxfordshire that offers support to young carers. I am running the Oxford Half Marathon to raise much needed funds and awareness of the fantastic work BFYC does to support young carers in Oxfordshire. To donate, go to www.virginmoneygiving.com, click the 'Make a donation' tab at the top and search for 'Fiona Semple. Many thanks, Fiona.

Alpha course this Autumn. We are running 3 courses in parishioner's houses: Thurs 11am - 12.30pm; Fri 9.30-11am; Sun 6pm - 8.15pm, all starting late September. Please ring Maeve 01865 321179.

Parish Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Knock Co. Mayo, Ireland. Monday 11th May – Friday 15th May 2020. If you would like to join Fr Jamie on a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Knock next year during the month of May, 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.

Faith Development

PELM - Parkinson's Exercise to Live Music

People with Parkinson's (and friends) are welcome to join our friendly group in central Abingdon for gentle exercise with a trained dance teacher and an experienced pianist. Wednesdays in term time in Abbey Baptist Church, Checker Walk Abingdon OX14 3JB. Doors open at 1.30pm, session starts at 1.45pm. Further details from Pat Bryden pat@brydens.me.uk

The Season of Creation is from the beginning of Sept to St Francis of Assisi's feast day on Oct 4th. If you haven't taken a Creation Calendar home, these can be found at the back of Church. It will help us to Think, Pray and Act to be good stewards of God's wonderful world. CAFOD's website has a useful tab 'Our Common Home' to consult too.

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments at 10.15am Mass

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30am

Friday Baby & Toddler Group 9.30am
SVP Meeting, 7.30pm

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

Future Diary Dates

24th September RCIA sessions commence 7.30pm, Parish Centre

25th September: Journeying Together in Faith (JTIF) commence, 7.30pm Parish Centre

5th October Service to celebrate end of the Season of Creation in Church 7pm, followed meal and Quiz in Parish Centre

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 21st SEPTEMBER:

** 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 XXIV Ordinary Time

EA: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true.

Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

CA: How precious is your mercy, O God!

The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

Money Matters 8th September 2019

Envelopes £281.82 Loose Plate £598.95
Average weekly Gift Aid Standing Orders £995
Many thanks

Counters: B. & D. Keaney, M. Pike

Cleaners: W. O'Brien