

Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon
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Confessions: 11.00 - 11.30am or by appointment

Parish Life

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019. There will be a Meeting for parents to enrol their children for the 2019 Programme. The Meeting will be at 8pm in the Parish Centre on Weds 14th November. Parents will be asked to enrol their children at this Meeting. A copy of the 2019 programme will be handed out and will be explained. Sessions start in January and First Communion services will be in June. Please fill in the form on the *News* page of our website if you have any enquiries.

TODAY we mark **Prisoners Sunday**, the national day of prayer and action for prisoner's and their dependents. Please take an envelope and return next Sunday.

NEXT SUNDAY there will be a second collection for Foreign Missions.

October - Month of the Rosary. October is the month of the Rosary. In addition to the already scheduled sessions of praying the Rosary, we will also be praying the Rosary every Saturday at 10.30am in the Church. Please do join us to honour Our Lady who asked us to pray the Rosary often. We would also like to invite you all to the Parish Centre on Thursday evenings in October, from 7.30 to 8.30pm for talks, videos and prayers.

Monthly Parish Lunch We would welcome more people joining us on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, but we also need more cooks and helpers to join the rota. If you would like to help, please fill in the form on the *News* page of our website if you have any enquiries.

Faith Development

SAINT OSCAR ROMERO. Today in Rome the canonisation of Oscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador, is taking place. He was assassinated in March 1980 as he was celebrating Mass in the chapel of the Divine Providence cancer hospital where he lived. 35 years later he was declared a martyr of the Church and

TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 14 October

8.45am	Mass	Donie Kearney Intentions
10.15am	Mass	The Bregazzi Family RIP
6.30pm	Mass	Private Intention

Monday 15 October St Teresa of Avila

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Craig Family Intentions

Tuesday 16 October St Hedwig

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Special Intentions
11am	Funeral	Michael Gerring RIP

Wednesday 17 October St Ignatius of Antioch

11am	Funeral	Michael O'Shea RIP
6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Jean Whittton RIP

Thursday 18 October ST LUKE

9.00am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	
1.30pm	Funeral	Hugh McLaughlin RIP

Friday 19 October Ss John de Brebeuf, Issac Jogues & Companions

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Private Intention

Saturday 20 October

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	Private Intention

was beatified in 2015. Information, including a 4 minute animated film, about his life and witness can be found on the website of the Romero Trust www.romerotrust.org.uk. There is also a small display at the back of church about his life and

continuing inspiration for all who work for justice, reconciliation and peace.

Join us for a **Night of Light to celebrate the Vigil of All Saints** from 16:30-18:30 at English Martyrs Catholic Church Didcot, on Wednesday 31st October. Come along dressed as your favourite Saint or wear something white. There'll be art and crafts, games, cake and cookie decorating and clay modelling and much more to enjoy! No tricks only treats! Everyone welcome. Children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Cost: £2 per child. Contact Melanie at tipayouth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to book your place.

Jesuit Refugee Service is looking for people to pray for those in detention. Every month JRS produces a "Praying with Detainees" e-mail resource inviting people to accompany detainees in prayer. Sign up to receive these monthly e-mails by visiting: www.jrsuk.net/subscribe.

Christmas with a difference! Can you make some room for an international student to learn what true British Festive hospitality can mean? Would you like to add that international element to your Christmas, learning another country's traditions and enjoying the connection and friendship that such sharing brings? HOST UK arranges for international students to enjoy brief homestays with UK hosts, one day, a weekend or, over the festive period-a three day visit. If you should like to know more, go to their website www.hostuk.org or leave them a message on <http://visits.hostuk.org/Public/ApplyToBecomeAHost>

School News

St Edmund's School - 'Stay and Sing' and 'Stay and Play'. Our 'Stay and Sing' pre-school music sessions begin again on Wednesday 10th October and are held every Wednesday morning during term-time from 9 am to 9.30 am at St Edmund's School. The first 'Stay and Play' of this school year is on Tuesday 16th October - further details and dates for the rest of the year are on the school website.

Governors' Fund 100+ Club - October 2018 Draw results. The winning numbers for October were:

1st Prize (£30) – Number 62 Brian Keane
2nd Prize (£20) – Number 26 Justyna Majewska
3rd Prize (£10) – Number 46 Margaret Hancox

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments after 10.15am Mass

Tuesday RCIA Session 7.30pm

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30-11am

Friday Baby & Toddler Group 9.30-11.15am

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

Future Diary Dates

20th Oct Day for Catechists - St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Further information:

www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists

15th Nov 'Fabulous Flowers' Christmas Demonstration, Parish Centre 7pm. For more details contact Christina on 07775 166683

18th Nov Church in Abingdon Annual Bereavement Service at Our Lady & St Edmund's, 3pm

25th Nov Parish AGM, Parish Centre

Youth Events

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Antiphons for Year II, XXVIII Ordinary Time

EA: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?

But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

CA: When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,
for we shall see him as he is.

We pray for:

- The Repose of the Soul of Jane Naughton RIP. Funeral Friday 26th October at 11am.

Money Matters: 7th October 2018

Envelopes: £300.00 Loose Plate £589.10 Many thanks

Counters: J. Dowling, P. & M. Mulqueen

Cleaners: W. O'Brien