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Confessions: Saturday, 11:00 -11.30am Sunday Mass Times: 8.45 am, 10.15 am, 6.30pm

Parish Life

TODAY - Prayer Ministry. We invite you to come up after the 10:15am Mass for prayer with members of St Edmund's Prayer Ministry team. Give your hurts and burdens to Jesus, He cares for you.

Christian Aid- Thank you to all our house to house collectors and those who supported Christian Aid Week 2018!

Parish Vision Please join us on Tuesday from 7.30pm in the parish centre. We will outline and reflect upon Bishop Philip's vision for the Diocese and what it means for us to become intentional disciples, using all the gifts and charisms we have in this parish, to help us focus on being more missionary, more outward looking.

Come and enjoy Mexican style! When: Friday 8th June, 7.30pm (after evening mass) Where: Parish Centre. Tickets: £15 each with music and three courses of heart warming authentic Mexican food included. Bring your favourite drinks. It will be our last event to support the Lenten projects. R.S.V.P. in advance. Elaine Pony 07932 350951 or Sandra Kolb (parish office). Los esperamos!

Eucharistic Ministers Retreat: All E.M.'s are invited to attend this years' Retreat Day on Saturday June 16th at Stonehill Barn, Drayton Road (our thanks to Anthea). The day begins with refreshments at 10am ending with Mass for 4pm. The day will be led by Fr Rob.

We have a small selection of **First Holy Communion greetings cards** available in the parish office for £1.

Christian Focus: the summer edition is available at the back of the church. It contains articles by parishioners of St. Edmund's.

Faith Development

CORPUS CHRISTI

Sunday 3 June

8.45am	Mass	Beck Family RIP
10.15am	Mass	Jane Ellwood Birthday Intentions
4.30pm	Polish Mass	
6.30pm	Mass	Bernadette Feeney RIP

Monday 4 June

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Bernadette Feeney RIP

Tuesday 5 June St Boniface

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Daniel & Gillian Dunne RIP

Wednesday 6 June St Norbert

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Paul & Pam Pennington Intentions

Thursday 7 June

8.30am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Winifred Holden RIP
10.30am	Funeral Mass	Doreen Drew RIP

Friday 8 June THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

NO Mass see www.thamesis.org.uk for other masses

Saturday 9 June The Immaculate Heart of Mary

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	FHC Special Mass	Jane Naughton Intentions
5pm	Youth Mass	

CAFOD This year, the Holy Father urges us to reach out to our brothers and sisters who are forced to flee their homes. This new campaign is called Share the Journey. Schools, parishes, and local communities across England and Wales will be walking to show solidarity with people on the

move. Together, we are aiming for 24,900 miles – the distance around the whole world. CAFOD will use this shared journey to deliver a powerful message to world leaders, who meet in September 2018. For more info please contact Jo Lewry portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call 01252 329385.

CAFOD Mass of Thanksgiving for Volunteers and Supporters. Each June as part of volunteers' week we hold a mass to thank all our volunteers and supporters for their commitment to CAFOD. This year the mass for the South East region will be in the Portsmouth diocese on Saturday 16th June at Our Lady Help of Christians Church Farnborough GU14 6JS at 2pm followed by tea/coffee and cakes. There will also be a short talk about our work in Latin America. Everyone is welcome. Please contact portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or calling Jo Lewry on 01252 329385 for refreshment purposes.

Diocesan Day for Readers - 16th June 2018. St Bede's Catholic Church, Basingstoke. Further information: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/readers

This year's Great Get Together is being held at St Ethelwold's House on Sun 24th June, 12noon – 3pm, as a joint endeavour between Host Abingdon, MoreinComon, Abingdon Peace Group, Host UK and St Ethelwold's. This year will also involve the Archway Foundation, which works with people in Abingdon to relieve some of the distress caused by loneliness. It is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a bring-and-share lunch and some world music and to meet people who are committed to making our town a welcoming place of cultural and religious diversity, and acceptance, for people from all over the world.

Abingdon Emergency Foodbank (Christ Church) Donations can be dropped at Christchurch, Northcourt Road, in the foyer in the collection tub (Mon-Fri 9 am – 4 pm), or if you shop at Abingdon Waitrose, there is a collection point near their exit. The foodbank is very much in need of tinned vegetables, meat, long life milk, sugar, squash and fruit juice. We have surplus of tea, pasta and cereal at present. We do also receive some regular cash donations, which enable us to top up items when needed, as well as ensuring we can offer fresh bread and cheese to all our customers.

PIPPINS Homestays. We have been working successfully for over 20 years bringing students from Europe on school excursions to stay with host families in Abingdon. It is good money for anyone with a spare room for a minimum of two and up to four teenagers. It is very flexible as it is only for a few nights at a time, booked well in advance, in the main season from Feb to June. If interested, please contact Penny Clover (parish office).

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments after 10.15am Mass

Tuesday Parish Vision Meeting, 7.30pm

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30-11am

Thursday Scripture Group 10am

Friday Mexican Evening 7.30pm

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

Future Diary Dates

13th June Parish Lunch, 12.30pm, Parish Centre
1st July Parish Day

Youth Events

Further info please contact Melanie Parris- Dollar tipayouth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Flame, 2nd March 2019 Booking for Flame is now open! This is a highlight national event for Catholic young people in Wembley Arena, featuring inspirational international speakers, award winning music and celebrating faith and the young Church. Last year 350 people attended from Portsmouth Diocese, joining over 8000 people from all over the UK. Ages 14 - 25. Under 18s must attend as part of a group. Over 18s may register as an individual if their parish is not organising a group. Please contact youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

We pray for:

- The Repose of the Soul of Doreen Drew RIP. Funeral Thurs 7th June at 10.30am.

Antiphons for Year II, Week IX Ordinary Time

EA: Turn to me and have mercy, O Lord, for I am alone and poor.

See my lowliness and suffering and take away all my sins, my God.

CA: Amen, I say to you: Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe you will receive it, and it will be yours, says the Lord.

Money Matters: 27th May 2018
 Envelopes: £309.02 Loose Plate £795.95 Many thanks.

Counters P. & D. Brooks, M. O'Mullane
Cleaners: J. Wells, L. Osazuwa, F. & C. Calnan