

St Edmund's  
& St Mark's

Wootton Bridge



Welcome! St Mark's and St Edmund's churches are part of the Binstead, Havenstreet and Wootton plurality. When you attend one of our services please use the time before the service starts for quiet prayer.

5th December 2021

Hearing Aid Loop (both churches)  
St Edmund's: please sit on the left hand side of the church. Please switch your hearing aid to the "T" position.

*The Friends of St Edmund's*  
*Present*

*"An Evening of Carols"*

on

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**6.30pm**

at

**St Marks Church, Wootton Bridge**

**Followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies**

*Come and join in singing your favourite carols.*

*There will be a retiring collection.*

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...



... Archdeacon Peter Leonard, God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, School & Street Pastors

...*those who are sick or in any kind of need*: Pam, Danny and Chris, Mary B, Hilary S, Sue S, Jill, Jane and John, Arthur, Rosemary, Madge, Myrtle, Carol and Richard. Our Arab Christian brothers and sisters in the Middle East, Little Lions families, children of our church and parish, and all on our Luke 11 Line

...*those in Our Year's Mind*: 5<sup>th</sup> Ronald Wade, 6<sup>th</sup> Peggy Sharland

*If you would like a name to be added to the prayer list (with the consent of the person named) please let Helen Davison know. Names will remain on the list for an initial period of 4 weeks. Please inform Helen if you wish a name to be included after this time, or when prayers have been answered or are no longer needed. Names in our 'Year's Mind' will be published for three years and then removed unless otherwise requested. Thank you.*

## A BIG THANK YOU TO...

... all who attended our first Thanksgiving Supper on Saturday 27th, and making it so enjoyable. Thanks too, to all who were invited yet unable to attend—we hope to see you another time!

Particular thanks to Ann for putting a great idea into practice, and to the musicians and quiz masters that evening. Not forgetting Ann's team of merry little helpers who aided and abetted her in lots of ways either before, during or after the event!

## Diocesan Prayer

As we explore what it means to be a thriving, faithful diocese together our bishop's staff have developed a prayer for use in parishes so that the work and discussions may all be underpinned in prayer:

*Lord our God, you make all things new.*

*Inspire our lives with your spirit.*

*Renew our prayer with your grace.*

*Transform our service with your love.*

*In the renewal of our life may your kingdom flourish and your church thrive so that all may come to know and love you in your Son Jesus Christ. Amen*

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

### Useful Resources

The free 'Daily Hope' phone number is still available for hymns, reflections and prayers on **088 804 8044** and details of services being streamed can be found here: <https://www.portsmouthcathedral.org.uk/>

### WB Methodist

Come and enjoy coffee and chat at Wootton Methodist Church from 10am-12noon every Monday until further notice

### Elephant Club

The next Elephant Club will be on Thursday **9th December** from 2-4pm at St Mark's. Please spread the word!

### Coffee Morning and MBBBG 'special'

The next coffee morning will be combined with the Mark's Brothers' Bacon Butty Group for a Christmas 'special' on **December 14th**. Bacon butties, hot coffee, mince pies, shortbread etc will be available! Margaret and Harry look forward to seeing you all from 10-11am

### Books for sale and other ways to help

If you haven't visited the coffee lounge recently please take a look when you get the opportunity. Not only has it had a facelift, but it now holds several bookcases of books which are able to be bought. Have a browse, choose one or two, and place your donation in the nearby letterbox....it's that easy to help yourself and your church!

We'd love more people to give regularly by using the Parish Giving Scheme. Just £5 a month when multiplied by a few people makes a lot of difference to our budget! Please let Helen know if interested.

Lastly, are you using [easyfundraising.org.uk](http://easyfundraising.org.uk) when shopping online yet? It is an easy way to raise funds at no cost! Just sign up at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pccwootton](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pccwootton) and then shop. All purchases made in this way raise money for Church funds!

## Dates for your Diary

### THIS WEEK

Sun 5th	8am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 9.30am Brunch Service (St Mark's) 11.30am Baptism Service 6.30pm Friends of St Edmund's Carol Eve (St Mark's)
Wed 8th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 10am Little Lions (St Mark's) 7pm Light up a Life (The Cedars)
Thu 9th	6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's) 2pm Elephant Club (St Mark's)

### LATER

Sun 12th	9.30am Holy Communion and Explorers (St Mark's) 6.30pm Evening Service (St Edmund's)
Tue 14th	10am Coffee Morning and Mark's Brothers' Bacon Butty Group
Wed 15th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 10am Little Lions (St Mark's)
Thu 16th	6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)

*We look forward to seeing you!*

*We ask that you do not attend church if you either have symptoms of covid, or test positive for it. Thank you.*

## **Private Prayer**

St Edmund's Church, Holy Cross Church and St Peter's Church are all open for private prayer from each day.

Please be aware that St Edmund's is now open from 9am-dusk.  
Holy Cross and St Peter's Churches are open from 9am-5pm.



Visit our website: [www.cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk](http://www.cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk)

Parish of St Edmund's and St Mark's Wootton Bridge

**Parish Priest:** During our period of Interregnum please either email us at [stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com](mailto:stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com) or leave a message on 301880 (Please be aware that both are checked regularly, but not daily)

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