

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.

1st May 2022

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.

A BIG THANK YOU....

... to those who organised our Annual Parochial Church Meeting, to all who attended, and all who offered to take up a post.

Lent Appeals

Thank you to all who have supported both the Bishop's Lent Appeal and the Wootton Lent Appeal. £1062.50 has been raised for our local schoolchildren, which is fabulous news!

Queen's Platinum Jubilee and 'Thy Kingdom Come'

Our churches are marking 70 years since HM the Queen's accession to the throne in 1952 with a series of special events, especially over the extended Bank Holiday weekend in June. In Wootton we will be marking the event at our Brunch service on Sunday 5th June, at which we will also celebrate Pentecost.

We may also plant a cherry tree in St Edmund's graveyard...

The 10 days between 26th May (Ascension Day) and 5th June (Pentecost Sunday) is also the global Church's focus on prayer as part of 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Some of the Thy Kingdom Come resources have therefore been developed with the Jubilee in mind.

Information and resources are available on the government website <https://platinumjubilee.gov.uk/>, the Royal Family's website <https://www.royal.uk/platinumjubilee>, the Church of England's web page <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/liturgical-resources-hm-queens-platinum-jubilee>, and the Thy Kingdom Come website <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Third Sunday of Easter

Either Acts 9.1-6 [7-20] *or* Zephaniah 3.14-end;

Revelations 5.11-end; John 21.1-19

Wednesday, 4th May 9.30am at St Edmund's

Isaiah 43.1-7 (OT p.682)

Sunday, 8th May Fourth Sunday of Easter

Either Acts 9.36-end *or* Genesis 7.1-5, 11-18; 8.6-18; 9.8-13;

Revelations 7.9-end; John 10.22-30



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

... Bishop Jonathan, Asst.Bishop Rob, Rev Allie Kerr, God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, The Island School and Street Pastors

...*those who are sick or in any kind of need*: Geoff, Susan and David, Mike C, Clive and Norma, Our Arab Christian brothers and sisters in North Korea and the Middle East, Little Lions families, children of our church and parish, and all on our Luke 11 Line

...*those who are in Our Year's Mind*: 6th Joyce Cheek

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.



Confirmation

We have three people wishing to be confirmed in their faith. If you have been thinking about this too, please get in touch with Ann Capps.

Archbishop's prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **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/>

MBBBG

The next Mark's Brothers' Bacon Butty Group will take place at 10am in the Coffee Lounge on **Tuesday 10th May**. You are invited to come along for a coffee even if you're not a fan of bacon!

Little Lions

Little Lions is for pre-school children (with responsible adults) and it takes place during term-time on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Wednesdays of the month. The next group will take place at St Mark's Church on **Wednesday 11th May** from 10-11.30am. Cost £2 per family.

Elephant Club

The next Elephant Club will be on **Thursday 12th May** from 2-4pm at St Mark's. Please spread the word!

Thanksgiving service for Mervyn Banting

This will be held on **Friday 27th May** at 2pm Holy Trinity Church, Bosham. All are welcome to celebrate the life of Mervyn Banting, a former Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight who died in February—but an online form will need completing to indicate your intention to attend. Donations may also be made online.

Request for information relating to Royal events

Doreen Gazey has asked for any mementoes and memories, not just of the coronation (given how long ago it was), but other Royal events, Jubilees, or any interesting encounter that you may have had! Please let her know if you can assist. Thank you.

WB Methodist

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

Dates for your Diary

This week

- Sun 1st May 8am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
9.30am Brunch Service (St Mark's)
2.30pm Bluebell Walk at Newnham Farm. Adult tickets
£4 each (children & dogs free) from Hilary on 615551
- Wed 4th 9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
No Little Lions (St Mark's)
- Thu 5th 11am Bible Study Group (St Mark's)
6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)

Later

- Sun 8th 9.30am Holy Communion and Explorers (St Mark's)
6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
- Tue 10th 10am Mark's Brothers' Bacon Butty Group (St Mark's)
- Wed 11th 9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
10am Little Lions (St Mark's)
- Thu 12th 11am Bible Study Group (St Mark's)
2pm Elephant Club (St Mark's)
6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
- Sun 15th 9.30am Morning Prayer followed by the Big Mac Talk
(St Mark's)
6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
- Wed 18th 9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund'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, Holy Cross and St Peter's Churches are all open for private prayer each day from 9am-5pm.



Visit our website: 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 or leave a message on 301880 (Please be aware that both are checked regularly, but not daily)

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