

St Edmund's  
& St Mark's



Wootton Bridge

A very warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us today! When you attend one of our services please use the time before the service starts for quiet prayer.



*At our Communion services those who are confirmed and those who normally receive Communion in their own church are invited to receive Communion. All are welcome to receive a blessing.*

1st September 2024

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GOD'S LIGHT, FREEDOM & HEALING THROUGH THE ARTS

# ABLAZE ARTS FESTIVAL 2024

## FREE EVENT 14TH & 15TH SEPTEMBER

**ASPIRE, Ryde,**  
Sat 10.30am – 10.00pm  
Sun 1.00pm – 8.00pm

**THE PRIORY, Newport**  
Sat 10.30am – 5.30pm  
Sun 12.30pm – 6.30pm

**An all age event for everyone!**  
Including brilliant art displays, drama, woodwork, live music,  
amazing workshop sessions and much more!

**Come and enjoy a full weekend of fun, prayer and enjoyment!**



**ORGANISING GROUP**  
Sue & Tony Anderson – Church on the Roundabout  
Ben Brown – Ryde Elim  
Trevor Nicholas – Aspire  
Bob & Maxine White – Carisbrooke Priory

## Prayer

God of compassion,  
hear our prayers for those who are affected by natural disasters:  
strengthen them in their hour of need,  
and grant them courage to face the future,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS** Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity  
Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9; James 1.17-end; Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
Wednesday, 4th September 11.15am at St Mark's

1 Corinthians 3.1-9

Sunday, 8th September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity  
Isaiah 35.4-7a; James 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17; Mark 7.24-end



## **PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

... Bishop Jonathan, Asst. Bishop Rob, Area Dean and Archdeacon Steve Daughtery, Associate Area Dean James Cook, God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, the Island School and Street Pastors.



...*those who are sick or in any kind of need*: Hilary, Julie and Graham, Lisa, John C, Tracey, Cynara, Kurt, Myra, Eileen Emmerson, Suzie Willcox, our Christian brothers and sisters in North Korea and the Middle East, the children of our church and parish, all on our Luke 11 Line, and those who staff our children's ministry.

...*those who are in Our Year's Mind*: 2nd Colin Tibbles, 5th Ann Willoughby, 6th Rev'd George Rayner, and 7th Florence Please

*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.*

## **Exciting news!**

The PCC are very pleased to announce that David McCulloch will be starting a priestly vocational discernment programme this month. This will mean he will be absent from our services on some occasions in order to attend training, but he does so with our full support, best wishes, and prayers.

## **Milk bottle tops, empty ink cartridges and stamps!**

Please don't forget to bring your plastic milk bottle tops (without the silvery bottle inner cover), empty ink cartridges and stamps to either St Mark's or St Edmund's so that they may be passed on to the charity supporting two local families with ability dogs. Thank you!

## GENERAL INFORMATION:

### Celtic Evening Prayer

A short service of Celtic Evening Prayer will be held at St Mildred's today, **Sunday 1st September** at 6pm - outside if weather permits!

### Café Communion

Our next Cafe Communion service at St Mark's will take place at 11.15am on **Wednesday 4th September**. Please book if you would like lunch either by leaving a message on the parish ansaphone 301880 or by email to [stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com](mailto:stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com).

### Bible Study Group

With effect from **Thursday 5th September** the Bible Study group will meet weekly in the Coffee Lounge—with the exception of the 2nd Thursday each month due to Stay & Play. Newcomers welcome!

### Living Faith: Questions of Faith

This online course starts on **6th September**. To book go to: [www.portsmouth.anglican.org/events/2024/09/06/living-faith-questions-faith/](http://www.portsmouth.anglican.org/events/2024/09/06/living-faith-questions-faith/)

### MBBBG

The Mark's Brothers' Breakfast/Brunch Gathering will next take place on **Wednesday 11th September** at 10.30am in the Coffee Lounge. If you know of anyone who would appreciate some male company and enjoy a coffee and brunch, please do tell them.

### Stay&Play

Stay&Play is moving to the second Thursday of each month, so the next group will meet on **Thursday 12th September** at 9.15am. All children aged 8 years and under are invited to attend with an adult. We have a range of play and craft activities. There is no charge. Free toast and a snack is available to all, and free tea/coffee for adults!

### Elephant Club

This is a social group for those living with memory loss, their carers and friends. The next will take place on **Thursday 12th September**, 2-4pm at St Mark's. We would love to see you there!

## Dates for your Diary

### This week

Sun 1st Sept	8am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 9.30am Brunch Service (St Mark's) 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Wed 4th	11.15am Café Communion (St Mark's)
Thu 5th	No Stay&Play (St Mark's) 11am Bible Study Group (St Mark's) 6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Fri 6th	9am Morning Prayer (St Mildred's)

### Later

Sun 8th	9.30am Holy Communion and Explorers (St Mark's) 9.30am Morning Worship (St James') 11.15am All Age Worship (St Mildred's) 6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
Wed 11th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 10.30am Mark's Brothers' Breakfast/Brunch Gathering (St Mark's)
Thu 12th	9.15am Stay&Play (St Mark's) 11am Bible Study Group (Hosted locally) 2pm Elephant Club (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 is open for private prayer each day from 9am-5pm (or dusk if earlier)

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).

**Churchwarden:** Harry Kirby

**Safeguarding:** If you have concerns about a child or an adult who may be vulnerable or at risk, contact Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) Steve Beynon on 0789 435 3584.

**Weekly Sheet co-ordinator:** Helen Davison is contactable on 882330 or by email at [helendavison1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:helendavison1@hotmail.co.uk)