

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.

17th November 2024

Mountbatten Light up a Life

This December we are invited to light up a life and donate to support patients and families supported by Mountbatten Isle of Wight. Dedicate a light to your loved one from 4pm - 6pm on **Sunday 1st December**, at the Mountbatten hospice on Halberry Lane, Newport (PO30 2ER).

This is an occasion to celebrate the memory of those we love who have died. Light a candle in memory whilst listening to festive music and readings, then afterwards enjoy a mince pie and warm drink. You can still dedicate a light even if you cannot attend.

Find out more, and let Mountbatten know you plan to attend at www.mountbatten.org.uk.



Prayer

Lord Jesus, grant that as through your saving grace we have become rich in many ways, so may we have joy in sharing our riches, within your church, for the sake of your kingdom.

Amen.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Second Sunday before Advent
Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25; Mark 13.1-8
Wednesday, 20th November 9.30am at St Edmund's
Revelation ch3
Sunday, 24th November Christ the King
Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14; Revelation 1.4b-8; John 18.33-37



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



...Bishop Jonathan, Asst.Bishop Rob, Archdeacon Steve,
Area Dean Chris, Associate Area Deans James, Tom and Vicky
...Sandra and Roy Matthews, God's mission and our ministry in
Wootton, and those who staff our children's ministry
...from the Diocesan cycle of prayers - the General Synod Meeting
...our Christian brothers and sisters in North Korea and the Middle East
...the children of our church and parish, and the Island School and
Street Pastors
... *those who are sick or in any kind of need:* Katrina, Tom, Julie and
Graham, Lisa, Tracey, Cynara, Eileen Emmerson, Suzie Willcox, and
all on our Luke 11 Line
...*those who are in Our Year's Mind:* 20th Gerry Thompson,
21st Joyce Richards

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.

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.org.uk

Have you started your Christmas shopping yet?!

If so, please consider using easyfundraising.org.uk when shopping online. It is a really easy way to raise funds at no cost to you!

Simply sign up at www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pccwootton and then start your online shopping.

All purchases made in this way raise money for Church funds!

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Service update

We are pleased to share that the following additional communion services have recently commenced:

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mildred's every Thursday

9.30am Holy Communion at St. James' every Friday

The Big Mac Talks (*A meaty Bible study*)

David McCulloch will NOT be giving a talk after Morning Worship on **Sunday 17th November**. Instead, we shall be learning more about Safeguarding Sunday and you are very welcome to join us.

Safeguarding Sunday gives an opportunity to raise awareness of Safeguarding, to help to protect vulnerable people.

As always, if you have concerns about a child or an adult who may be vulnerable or at risk please contact our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) Steve Beynon on 07894353584 or by email at safeguarding@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk

The Bridge

You are invited to the next session of Bridge-folding which will be held in the Coffee Lounge at 2pm on **Friday 29th November**.

Please come along and join us!

We are grateful for the help of all our volunteers - without whom there would be no magazine. More help would be appreciated folding and delivering *The Bridge*, though. If you know someone who might be prepared to help us, do please let David Bennison know.

Alternatively would you be interested in writing an article for *The Bridge*? If so, please email Warwick at thebridge@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk

A Festive Fundraising Event

The Friends of St Edmunds would like to invite you to a festive music evening from 7-9pm on **Saturday 30th November**.

This will be held at St Edmund's Church.



Dates for your Diary

This week

Sun 17th	9.30am Morning Worship followed by Safeguarding Sunday Talk (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Wed 20th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 7pm PCC Meeting (St Mark's)
Thu 21st	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mildred's) 11am Bible Study Group (St Mark's) 6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Fri 22nd	9am Morning Prayer (St Mildred's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St. James')
Sat 23rd	Christmas Sale (St James' Church Hall)

Later

Sun 24th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mark's) 9.30am Morning Worship (St James') 11.15am Morning Worship (St Mildred's) 5pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
Tue 26th	11am Funeral: Dorothy Smith (St Edmund's)
Wed 27th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 28th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mildred'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



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

Parish Priest: Rev'd Sandra Matthews - contactable by email at stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com or by leaving a message on 301880. (Emails and messages 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 Steve Beynon on 0789 435 3584 or at safeguarding@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk

Weekly Sheet co-ordinator: Helen Davison may be contacted on 882330 or by email at helendavison1@hotmail.co.uk