



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.

14th September 2025

Creationtide



SEASON OF
CREATION

Creationtide falls from 1st September to 4th October, and you're invited to wear green to church on the Sundays during this period.

Trading Standards Talk

Sally Ash, Enforcement and Community Protection Officer for Trading Standards is to give a talk, primarily regarding online scams and being safe online but she will also discuss doorstep crime and phone scams. The dates and venues for this talk are:

Thursday 9th October at 10.30am, Shalfleet Village Hall
Tuesday 21st October at 10.30am, St Mary's Church, Brighstone
Thursday 23rd October at 10.30am, Christ Church, Totland Bay

The talk will last about an hour and is open to everyone.

Please contact Paula Woods on 07930 670547 or by email at bbmcsparishes@gmail.com to book a place.

A BIG THANK YOU....

... to Erica and all who sponsored her participation in Ride+Stride in aid of Hampshire and the Islands Historic Churches Trust.

Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught about building treasure in heaven rather than on earth,
teach us to be content when our needs are satisfied
rather than our wants,
and grant us wisdom to be faithful stewards **Amen.**

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 32.7-14; 1 Timothy 1.12-17; Luke 15.1-10

Wednesday, 17th September 9.30am at St Edmund's

1 Timothy 3.14-end

Sunday, 21st September Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Amos 8.4-7; 1 Timothy 2.1-7; Luke 16.1-13



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



...Bishop Jonathan, Asst.Bishop Rob, Area Dean Chris, Associate Area Deans James, Tom and Vicky

...Sandra Matthews, God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, and those who staff our children's ministry

...from the Diocesan cycle of prayers: Bishop's Waltham Deanery Officers

...our Christian brothers and sisters in North Korea and the Middle East

...the family and friends of Davina Hudson, children of our church and parish, and the Island School, Street and Prayer Pastors

... ***those in Our Year's Mind:*** 15th Dolly Eagle, 19th Nitin Pradhan

... ***those who are sick or in any kind of need:*** Angie, Rev'd Bob, Lorna, Neil, Barbara and Arthur Edwards, and all on our Luke 11 Line

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.

Afghanistan earthquake appeal

Two earthquakes have hit Afghanistan and the impact is devastating. Donations could provide clean water, sanitation, hygiene kits, emergency shelter, and cash assistance so people can buy food and essentials. Please go to www.tearfund.org for further information and to donate.

Appeal for humanitarian aid



Christian Aid are aiming to provide life-saving supplies for civilians caught up in the conflict in Gaza, the West Bank and elsewhere. More details can be found at www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/dec-middle-east-humanitarian-appeal

GENERAL INFORMATION:

St Mildred's Cream Teas

Cream Teas (and entertainment) will be served for the last time this summer from 3-5pm at St Mildred's church on **14th September**.

Coffee Morning

All are welcome to a Coffee Morning taking place at St James' Church Hall on **Tuesday 16th September**.

Discussion Group

The Discussion Group next meet in the Coffee Lounge at St Mark's 10.30am on **Thursday 18th and 25th September**. Do come along!

The Bridge

You are invited to the next session of Bridge-folding which will be held in the Coffee Lounge at 2pm on **Friday 26th September**. This is a social gathering too, so please come along and join us!

Café Communion

Our next Café Communion service at St Mark's will take place at 11.15am on **Wednesday 1st October**. Please book if you would like lunch by email to stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com. Thank you.

MBBBG

The Mark's Brothers' Breakfast/Brunch Gathering will next take place on **Wednesday 8th October**, 10.30am in the Coffee Lounge.

Elephant Club

This is a social group for those living with memory loss, their carers and friends. The next will take place on **Thursday 9th October**, from 2-4pm at St Mark's. We would love to see you!

Noel Robinson 'Change the Atmosphere' Tour

Christ Church in Sandown are hosting a special concert at the Bay School starring Noel Robinson on **Saturday 11th October**, at 6.30pm (doors open at 5.30pm). Adults £15 and under 18s £10. Tickets are available by emailing: tickets@christchurchsandown.org.uk

Dates for your Diary

This week

Sun 14th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mark's) followed by PCC Meeting (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's) 3pm-5pm Cream Teas & entertainment (St Mildred's) 6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
Tue 16th	10am Coffee Morning (St James' Hall)
Wed 17th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 18th	10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's) 6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Fri 19th	9.30am Holy Communion (St James' Hall) 12noon Funeral: Davina Hudson (St Edmund's)

Later

Sun 21st	9.30am Morning Worship (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Wed 24th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 25th	10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's) 6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Fri 26th	9.30am Holy Communion (St James' Hall)

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).

Churchwardens: Harry Kirby and Steve Beynon

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