



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.

12th October 2025

Harvest Service Information

Please be aware that we shall be celebrating Harvest today **Sunday 12th October**. As in recent years your donations of tinned or packaged food would be appreciated at our 9.30am Holy Communion service at St Mark's church.

(Please do check the sell-by dates first!)

Alternatively, you are welcome to leave your donations at St Edmund's church for collection.

All the food will then be passed to the IoW Foodbank along with any monetary donations received. *Thank you!*



Prayer for Harvest

We thank you for this harvest, and we pray that you bless all those who have worked so hard to bring in the crops.

Protect them as they continue to work on the land.

We also pray for those who are struggling at this time.

It may not be easy to accept that the harvest this year may not be as abundant as the previous years, but let them not lose their hope and faith in you.

Please provide them with their needs and give them the strength to get through.

May you send your Holy Spirit, Lord, to guide us all during this time of harvest and thanksgiving.

We offer our crops to you, whether they are plenty or few.

Amen

THIS WEEK'S READINGS Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15c, 4-7; 2 Timothy 2.8-15; Luke 17.11-19
Wednesday, 15th October 9.30am at St Edmund's

Romans 2.1-11

Sunday, 19th October Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
Genesis 32.22-31; 2 Timothy 3.14—4.5; Luke 18.1-8



PLEASE PRAY FOR...



...Bishop Jonathan, Asst.Bishop Rob, Area Dean Chris,
Associate Area Deans James 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: Denmead

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

...the children of our church and parish

...the Island School, Street, and Prayer Pastors

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

... *those who are in Our Year's Mind*: 8th Gladys Penfold, 15th Pat
Dixon, 17th Trevor Couvell, Mary Dimmick, and Fiona Mansbridge

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.

Service of Thanksgiving for the Departed

Our annual Commemoration for the Faithful Departed will take place
on **Sunday 2nd November**, 5pm at St Edmund's Church.

If you would like someone to be especially remembered please either
email Helen at Helendavison1@hotmail.co.uk, or add their name to
the list on the noticeboard in St Edmund's church or on the table
in St Mark's Church **before 30th October**.

All will be made very welcome.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

IoW Net Zero Carbon (NZC) conference

'Towards an Eco Island' is an inspiring and practical mini-conference on **Saturday 18th October** to help a NZC and Eco Church journey. From 10am-2pm at Newport Minster. The cost is £5 per person. Go to www.portsmouth.anglican.org/events/2025/10/18/iow-nzc-conference-2025/ for more details and to book.

Coffee Morning

All are welcome to a Coffee Morning taking place at St James' Church Hall from 10am on **Tuesday 21st October**.

Trading Standards Talk

Sally Ash, Trading Standards Officer, is to give a talk, primarily about being safe online but also doorstep crime and phone scams on: **Tuesday 21st October** at 10.30am, St Mary's Church, Brighstone
Thursday 23rd October at 10.30am, Christ Church, Totland Bay
Please contact Paula Woods on 07930 670547 or by email at bmcsparishes@gmail.com to book a place.

Discussion Group

The Discussion Group next meet in the Coffee Lounge at St Mark's 10.30am on **Thursday 23rd October**. Do come along!

Service Time Change

When the clocks turn back 1 hour on the last Sunday of the month we also change the start time of our Evensong services. Therefore, on **Sunday 26th October** our service will commence at 5pm.

The Bridge

You are invited to the next session of Bridge-folding which will be held in the Coffee Lounge at 2pm on **Friday 31st October**.

At present we have a couple of rounds for which there is no deliverer.

In particular, we need help with the odd numbered side of Station Road, from (and including) Packsfield Lane to The Woodman (about 50 copies). If you, or anyone you know, would be able to help with this, please get in touch with David Bennison. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

This week

Sun 12th	9.30am Harvest Holy Communion (St Mark's) No 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's) 6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
Mon 13th	9.30am Wootton Primary School: Harvest (St Mark's)
Wed 15th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 16th	9.30am Teddy Club (St James' Church Hall) 10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's) 6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)

Later

Sun 19th	9.30am Morning Worship (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Tue 21st	10am Coffee Morning (St James' Church Hall)
Wed 22nd	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 23rd	10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's) 6.30pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Sun 26th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am 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).

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