



## The Churches of St Edmund's and St Mark's in the East Medina Plurality

### Pew Leaflet for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026

A very warm welcome to any visitors worshipping with us!

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.*

#### Prayer:

Lord God, we come to you as the source of all comfort asking that you send your Spirit to surround and uphold all those who are grieving, all those who are suffering, all those in fear, and all those in captivity.

May the arms of comfort and compassion overwhelm the arms of war. *Amen*

#### Readings:

**Sunday, 10th May** - Sixth Sunday of Easter: Acts 17.22-31; 1 Peter 3.13-22; John 14.15-21

**Wednesday, 13th May** (9.30am at St Edmund's): Acts 17.15, 22—18.1

**Thursday, 14th May** – Ascension Day: Acts 1.1-11; Ephesians 1.15-23; Luke 24.44-53

**Sunday, 17th May** - Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1.6-14; 1 Peter 4.12-14, 5.6-11; John 17.1-11

#### Dates for your Diary:

##### This week

Sun 10th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Mark's)
	9.30am Holy Communion (St James')
	11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
	6.30pm Evensong (St Edmund's)
Tue 12th	9.30am Weekly Prayer Meeting (St Mark's)
Wed 13th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
	10.30am Mark's Brothers' Breakfast Group (St Mark's)
Thu 14th	9.30am Teddy Club (St James' Church Hall)
	10am Plurality Ascension Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
	10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's)
	2pm Elephant Club (St Mark's)
	No Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Sat 16th	11am Wedding (St Edmund's)

##### Next week

Sun 17th	9.30am Morning Worship (St Mark's)
	9.30am Holy Communion (St James')
	11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Tue 19th	9.30am Weekly Prayer Meeting (St Mark's)
Wed 20th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
Thu 21st	9.30am Teddy Club (St James' Church Hall)
	10.30am Discussion Group (St Mark's)
	6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)

We look forward to seeing you at any of our services or events!  
St Edmund's Church is open for private prayer each day from 9am-5pm (or dusk if earlier)

## Please pray for...

...Archbishop Sarah Mullally, Bishop Jonathan, Asst. Bishop Rob, Area Dean Chris, Assoc. Area Dean Vicky  
...God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, and those who staff our children's ministry  
...from the Diocesan cycle of prayers: Copnor St Cuthbert with Anchorage Park St Aidan  
...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: Tia, Pete and Margaret, Margaret F, Doreen, Rosemary McC,  
Lorna, Barbara Edwards, and all who are on our Luke 11 Line  
... Amber Perren and Luke White marrying on Saturday, their family and friends  
... those who have recently died: Ash, David

*Please obtain consent for any person to be added to the prayer list - for an initial period of 4 weeks.*

*Names in our 'Year's Mind' will be published for three years and then removed unless otherwise requested.*

## Notices:

### **Christian Aid Week: 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Christian Aid exists to create a world where everyone can live a full life free from poverty. Donating will help fund tools and training so families can learn how to farm food wherever they live. Collection envelopes will be in both churches, or donations can be made online at [www.christianaid.org.uk](http://www.christianaid.org.uk)

### **The Mark's Brothers' Breakfast Group**

The MBBG takes place next on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May**, 10.30am in St Mark's Coffee Lounge.

### **Ascension Service**

We shall be hosting a Plurality Ascension Holy Communion service at St Edmund's Church on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May** at 10am.

### **Elephant Club**

This is a social group for those living with memory loss, their carers and friends. The next will take place on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May** from 2-4pm at St Mark's.

### **Street Pastors and the IOW Festival 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> June**

The IoW Street Pastors will once again have teams on foot patrols inside and outside the festival site, and safe spaces will be manned by Street Pastors and church volunteers. The festival site safe space will this year be accessed by anyone enjoying the festival which means more volunteers are needed to man it. Mainland Street Pastors and church volunteers are coming over to help, but more people are needed to host a mainland volunteer.

They would also appreciate donations of the following items:- lollipops (individually wrapped), small bottles of water, individually wrapped sweets, wipes, tissues, small bottles of hand sanitizer, or money towards other resources and kit for the festival.

Please contact Suzanne (Street Coordinator) on 07511163632 or [suzanne@iowstreetpastors.org.uk](mailto:suzanne@iowstreetpastors.org.uk) to offer help or if you have any questions.

### **Jigsaw Puzzle Festival: 10<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> August**

St James' Jigsaw Puzzle Festival organisers are requesting help, particularly from people who would be prepared to oversee the running of refreshments. All purchasing will have been done, and opening hours are 10am-4pm each day. If you can assist, please email Jill Traill at [pandjt@btinternet.com](mailto:pandjt@btinternet.com)

## Parish Information:

**Website:** [www.cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk](http://www.cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk)

**Facebook:** Parish of St Edmund's and St Mark's Wootton Bridge

**Churchwardens:** Harry Kirby and Steve Beynon. Email [churchwarden@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk](mailto:churchwarden@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk)

**Enquiries:** Contact the Parish Administrator via the parish website, or email [stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com](mailto:stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com)

**Safeguarding:** If you have concerns about a child or an adult who may be vulnerable or at risk, please contact Parish Safeguarding Officer Steve Beynon on 0789 435 3584 or email [safeguarding@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@cofeparishofwoottonbridge.org.uk)

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

*Enquiries will be replied to as soon as possible, but although emails etc are checked regularly, this may not be daily.*