



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

Pew Leaflet for Sunday 30th August 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:

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings:

Sunday, 30th August – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity: Jeremiah 15.15-21; Romans 12.9-21; Matthew 16.21-28

Wednesday, 2nd September (11.15am at St Mark's): Ezekiel 33.7-11; Romans 13.8-14; Matthew 18.15-20

Sunday, 6th September – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity: Ezekiel 33.7-11; Romans 13.8-14;
Matthew 18.15-20

Dates for your Diary:

This week

Sun 30th	9.30am Plurality Holy Communion (St Mark's) Rev Chris
Tue 1st Sept	9.30am Weekly Prayer Meeting (St Mark's)
Wed 2nd	11.15am Café Communion (St Mark's) 2pm Friendship Guild (St James' Church Hall)
Thu 3rd	9.30am Teddy Club (St James' Church Hall) No Discussion Group (St Mark's) No Choir Practice (St Mark's)

Next week

Sun 6th	8am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 9.30am Brunch Service (St Mark's) 9.30am Holy Communion (St James') 11.15am Holy Communion (St Mildred's)
Tue 8th	9.30am Weekly Prayer Meeting (St Mark's)
Wed 9th	9.30am Holy Communion (St Edmund's) 10.30am Mark's Brothers' Breakfast Group (St Mark's)
Thu 10th	9.30am Teddy Club (St James' Church Hall) No Discussion Group (St Mark's) 2pm Elephant Club (St Mark's) 6pm Choir Practice (St Mark's)
Sat 12th	Confirmation Service (Newport Minster)

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, Archdeacon Barry, and Area Dean Chris
...God's mission and our ministry in Wootton, and those who staff our children's ministry
...from the Diocesan cycle of prayers: Southsea St Luke and St Peter
...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: Margaret E, Pete and Margaret, Margaret F, Doreen, Lorna, Rosemary McC, Barbara Edwards, and all who are on our Luke 11 Line
...those who are in Our Year's Mind: 30th Christopher Buckett, 2nd Colin Tibbles, 5th Ann Willoughby
*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:

Service Information

Our Plurality Holy Communion service will be at St Mark's today, **Sunday 30th August** at 9.30am.

Café Communion

Our next Cafe Communion service will take place at 11.15am on **Wednesday 2nd September** at St Mark's. Please book by email to stedmundsandstmarks@gmail.com if you would like lunch.

Friendship Guild

The Friendship Guild will meet on **Wednesday 2nd September** at 2pm in St James' Church Hall.

Living Faith Module 3: Questions of Faith

Start date **Friday 4th September**. If interested, contact Rodney Fox on r.fox330@btinternet.com

Exhibition at Quarr Abbey

Holy Week as told in paintings from the National Gallery. This exhibition is in the Courtyard Gallery, from 10am-5pm, until **7th September**.

The Mark's Brothers' Breakfast Group

The MBBG takes place next on **Wednesday 9th September** 10.30am in St Mark's Coffee Lounge. If you know of anyone who would enjoy a coffee and brunch, please do tell them.

Elephant Club

This social group is for those living with memory loss, their carers and friends. Anyone who would like company and cake is invited to attend on **Thursday 10th September** from 2-4pm at St Mark's.

Reform of Church of England safeguarding structures

General Synod voted in February 2025 in favour of making safeguarding more independent. The Safeguarding Structures Programme Board aims to create a safer, trusted and more sustainable safeguarding structure across the Church of England, and is interested in hearing the unique insights and experience of survivors and victims of Church-related abuse to help them to get this reform right. Dame Christine Ryan is therefore hosting online drop-in sessions on **16th and 23rd September** for any victim or survivor to enable them to play a part in shaping our new safeguarding structures. They can hear more about these proposed changes and how victims and survivors can feel supported and heard. To find out more go to: www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding/survivor-participation

Parish Information:

Website: 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

Enquiries: Contact the Parish Administrator via the parish website, or email 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

Weekly Sheet co-ordinator: Contact Helen Davison on 882330 or by email at 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.