

Our Lady & St Edmund of Abingdon
1 Radley Rd, Abingdon on Thames, Oxon, OX14 3PL

We are a *LiveSimply* parish aiming to live Simply, Sustainably and in Solidarity with the Poor

Parish Priest: Fr. Jamie McGrath Tel: 01235 520375
Parish Secretary: Lisa Paterson Tel: 01235 520375
Office Hours: 9am - 12.30pm Tuesday to Friday
Office Email: abingdon@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

We live stream all services

Safeguarding Team: Tel. 07572 935 230
Visits at JR Hospital: Priest/Chaplain 01865 221732
Visits and Help: Society of Vincent de Paul Group, contact via Parish Office
Parish Website: www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk
Primary School: St. Edmund's School, Radley Road, Abingdon, OX14 3PP Tel 521558

Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Reg. Charity No 246871 www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Confessions: Saturdays 11.00 – 11.30am or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Friday 24th June.

SECOND COLLECTION – SUNDAY 19th JUNE

This will be for **Day for Life** - the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The proceeds from the collection assists the work of the *Ancombe Bioethics Centre* and other life-related activities supported by the Church.

SECOND COLLECTION – SUNDAY 26th JUNE

This will be for **Peter's Pence** – where our contributions are a gesture of solidarity through which we all can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OFFER COURSES

The sisters are inviting all catechists, seasoned and new, and all children's Liturgy leaders and helpers to attend their **Diocesan Day for Catechists**, which will be taking place on the **8th of October in Winchester**. All details and registration here: <https://www.pffm.org.uk/catechists>

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND RUSSIA

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and
wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world, that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters
in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine and Russia
and for all the world. Amen.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Sunday 19 June *CORPUS CHRISTI*

8.45am Mass (Private intention)
10.15am Mass (Mary Leen, RIP)
2.00pm Mass in Polish
6.30m Mass (*Special Intention*)

Monday 20 June

8.30am Rosary
9.00am Mass (*Special Intention*)

Tuesday 21 June *St Aloysius Gonzaga*

NO Mass See: www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk/english-martyrs-vale-of-white-horse for other Masses

Wednesday 22 June *Ss John Fisher & Thomas More*

6.30pm Rosary
7.00pm Mass (*Special Intention*)

Thursday 23 June *Nativity of John the Baptist*

9.00am Rosary
9.30am Mass (Dorothy Carden, RIP - Anniversary)

Friday 24 June *Most Sacred heart of Jesus*

6.30pm Rosary
7.00pm Mass (*Special Intention*)

Saturday 25 June *Immaculate Heart of Mary*

11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
11-11.30am Confessions
12pm Mass (*Special Intention*)

CATHOLIC MOTHERS OXFORD

Catholic Mothers Oxford are hosting another talk at St Gregory and St Augustine's in Oxford on Saturday 25th June, from 7.30pm. The speaker is Stephanie Block who comes from the States to talk about the legacy of Alice Von Hildebrand, Love and Marriage. All are welcome!

CORPUS CHRISTI PRAYER

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from Christ's side, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from Thee. From the malicious enemy defend me. In the hour of my death call me and bid me come unto Thee, that I may praise Thee with Thy saints and with Thy angels, forever and ever. Amen.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

If you have anything brief to contribute to the *Parish* newsletter or our online news, please send it to the parish office not later than the Wednesday morning of each week. Thank you.

To keep up to date with the news of the *Diocese* and the Bishop please follow on:

- *Facebook*: @PortsmouthRC
- *Twitter*: @PortsmouthRC
- The Diocese website:
<https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/>

If you would like to share news with the rest of the Diocese, please contact:
communications@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – PARISH DAY

Our **Parish Day** is planned for **Sunday 3rd July**. Please note that there will be only one morning Mass on that day – at 10.30am in the outdoor area behind the parish centre. Evening Mass at 6.30pm will take place as usual. This year there will be no catering, so we invite you to bring your own picnic lunch and enjoy your time in the company of other parishioners after Mass.

TEACHING ASSISTANT (2 POSTS)

ST Edmund's School is looking for two enthusiastic teaching assistants who enjoy working with children and who would be supportive of our school mission statement and the Catholic ethos of our school. Calls to discuss this position further with our Headteacher, Mrs Maria Delany-White are encouraged and warmly welcomed. Please contact The School Business Manager (01235 521558 or email clomas2266@st-edmunds-rc.oxon.sch.uk) to request an application pack. **Closing date: Friday 24th June at 4.00pm**

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th anniversary, or anniversary over 60 years? If so Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration, which will take place at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on **Saturday 2nd July 2022 at 11am**. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage.

If you would like to come, please email Liz Murphy at anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the Parish Office at St Bede's (01256 465214) and they will provide you with the form.

PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

- **Sunday**: Refreshments in the parish centre after the 10.15am Mass.
- **Friday**: Baby & Toddler group in the parish centre 9.30am to 11.15am in term time.

FUTURE DATES

- **Fri 24th June**: Baby & Toddler group in the parish centre 9.30am to 11.15am in term time.
- **Sun 3rd July**: Parish Day Mass at 10.30am in the field behind the parish centre.

ENCOUNTER FESTIVAL

The Carmelite Priory at Boars Hill are running a Young Adult event from **Friday 29th to Sunday 31st July** for people aged 25 to 35. The event will be held both at the Oxford Priory and online. There are some fliers on the table at the back of the church, a poster on our outside notice board, and a link to more information and booking on the News page of our website.

ST EDMUND CAMPION

From May 29th to 11th September, the relic of St Edmund Campion will be travelling around the country as part of the annual pilgrimage in his honour, organised by the Knights of St Columba. Our local Mass, with the relic present, will be at 7pm on **Wednesday 22nd June**.

CAN YOU HELP?

A disabled parishioner would love to attend the 10.15am Mass on a Sunday at least once a month. She lives in Wootton and has her own Motability Van but needs someone to drive it. If you think you can help, please phone 01865 735146.

ABINGDON STREET PASTORS

Today we are delighted to welcome Abingdon Street Pastors to our 10.15 Mass. One of our parishioners, Graham Urquhart, will be commissioned during the Mass as a new Street Pastor. Pat Mulqueen, the Chair, will introduce the themes. We pray for Graham, and for God's blessing on the work of the Abingdon Street Pastors.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION / CONFIRMATION

Please continue to pray for the 46 children who received their First Holy Communion last weekend, and also for the 18 young people from our parish who will be confirmed on Friday June 24th at English Martyrs Didcot.