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Confessions: Saturday, 11.00 - 11.30am or by appointment

Parish Life

St Edmund's School, Summer Fair - Raffle Tickets

Please support St Edmund's School by buying raffle tickets for a prize draw at our Summer fair. Tickets will be on sale today after every mass. The Summer Fair is on Saturday 15th June, 12.00 - 2.30, please come and join us!

Book Sale for Oxfam. "Thank you all for welcoming me to your lovely Church last Sunday. I am delighted to tell you we collected £115. As mentioned, this will be used to support Oxfam educational projects around the world. Many thanks, Lea."

Parish Lunch this Wednesday 12th June, 12.30pm in Parish Centre. More parishioners are welcome to attend. For info please ring Ab. 534873.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 12th June at 4 Rawlings Grove. 7:45-9pm. All welcome! Info Ab 528528.

The Summer Edition of Christian Focus is now available at the back of church. Articles by St. Edmund's parishioners are inside. Give it a try!

NEXT SUNDAY there will be a second collection for Day for Life.

Mohanraj Edward, who lived with us for a year learning English is to be ordained priest in Portsmouth Cathedral next month on 20th July. You are invited to attend (see invitation on notice board). If there are enough parishioners interested, we could hire a coach for the day. But there would have to be a critical number, say 25. If you are interested please let Lisa know over the next few weeks certainly by June 24th. We'll announce the result after that.

Live Simply In the UK we throw away 7 million tons of

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Sunday 9 June

8.45am Mass Hayes Family RIP 10.15am Mass Mary O'Mahoney RIP

2pm FHC Celebrations 6.30pm Mass Bob Finch RIP

Monday 10 June ORDINARY TIME RESUMES The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8.30am Rosary

9am Mass Pat Harrold Intentions

Tuesday 11 June St Barnabus

8.30am Rosary

9am Mass Hector Garcia RIP

Wednesday 12 June

6.30pm Rosary

7pm Mass Hector Garcia RIP

Thursday 13 June OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

9am Rosary

9.30am Mass Private Intention

Friday 14 June

6.30pm Rosary

7pm Mass Bernard Laurence Brady RIP

(Anniversary)

Saturday 15 June

11am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

11-11.30am Confessions 12 noon Mass

edible food annually. This is equivalent to £500 worth of food per year for each household. Food waste also has a huge environmental impact. As a Live Simply Parish we should all do as much as possible to avoid adding to this problem. This month please think about how you can reduce food waste.

International Evening 14th June at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre please bring a dish from your country of origin for us to share. Drinks will be provided. There is no entrance fee but we welcome donations to go towards our Lenten Projects. Please contact Eliane on 07932 350951 for info.

Church Twinning There are 2 great opportunities coming up to visit Argentan in Normandy and Sint Niklaas in Belgium, two of Abingdon's twin towns. The visit to Argentan is from Thurs 12th to Mon 16th September which is Heritage Weekend in Argentan. The only cost is transport to and from Argentan which is kept to a minimum. The visit to Sint Niklaas will be next April 2nd to 6th the weekend of their Passion Play. For more information or to reserve a place, please ring Anne 525997 or Angela 07866195998

Faith Development

Dementia-friendly cafes. The first step of a small steering group working towards making Abingdon a dementia-friendly community has been to work with two local cafes to arrange specific times when people with dementia/mild cognitive impairment and their carers can come in and be welcomed with a friendly face: 35 Ock Street: every Friday, 10.30 – 11.30 am Barns Café, Northcourt Road: 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays, 2.30 – 3.30 pm. For more information, contact 01235 559120 or email dementiafriendlyabingdon@gmail.com, or go to www.healthyabingdon.org.uk

The Great Get Together: Sunday 23rd June 12-3pm at St Ethelwolds,30 East St Helen Street OX14 5EB. Come to a Bring and Share picnic in the gardens. This is a national event to promote community cohesion and is held annually. Please join in and help prove Abingdon is a very friendly town!

CAFOD CLIMATE LOBBY OF PARLIAMENT. On Wed 26th June thousands of people will be lobbying Parliament and their MPs on the need for legislation to tackle the effects of the climate crisis, particularly on the poorest people of the world who will be hit hardest. CAFOD is one of the organisations coordinating the Lobby, following Pope Francis` lead in Laudato Si, where care for our world is expressly stated as part of our Faith in Action. A small number of parishioners will be going down to take part in the Lobby and the Inter-Faith Walk of Witness. For more info please ring Anne Dodd 525997.

Money Matters 2nd June 2019 Envelopes £ 382.23 Loose Plate £644.54 Average weekly Gift Aid Standing Orders £995 Many thanks

Counters: B. & D. Kearney, M. Pike **Cleaners:** K. Gibbons. S. Pritchett

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments after 10.15am Mass

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30-11am Parish Lunch 12.30pm

Friday Baby & Toddler Group 9.30am International Evening 7.30pm

N.B. All take place in the Parish Centre unless specified

Future Diary Dates

15th **June** St Edmund's School, Summer Fair, 12noon - 2.30pm

16th **June** Post Communion Celebrations and Picnic, Church and Parish Centre 12noon

19th June Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman Talk, 7.30pm Parish Centre

21st **July** Parish Day - Outdoor Mass and BBQ 10.30am **26**th **July - 9**th **Aug** Parish Office closed

Youth Events

Please look at the events calendar on our website in the Youth section for more details of ALL events.

* The next event for Parish Youth Groups (Years 3 to 6) is Saturday 22nd June from 3.30 to 5.00pm. More info: bhabayeb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

School News

OLA Open Morning Wed 19th June, 9.30am – 12noon. If you are considering Catholic independent education for your child, come and see us in action at our Open Morning. You can:

- Talk to our Headteachers, staff and pupils
- Tour our Nursery and Reception, Junior and Senior Schools
- Find out what makes us different so your child achieves more!

To discover more and book your school tours visit www.olab.org.uk/Open-Morning. We hope to see you soon.

Antiphons for Year I, Week X Ordinary Time

EA: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread?

When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall

CA: The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer;

my God is my saving strength.