



# St Edmund's Newsletter

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## PENTECOST SUNDAY

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Psalter Week 3

Sunday: Year B / Weekday: Year II

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May

18.00 Vigil Mass of Sunday: Fr John Taylor †

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May: PENTECOST (p690)

08.30 Mass: Gittings Family †

10.30 Mass (*live streamed*): A & V Desira †

10.30 Mass (*at Lawshall*): for the Parish

16.45 Mass in Polish

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May: Mary, Mother of the Church

12.00 Service of the Word with Holy Communion  
(*at W.S. Hospital*)

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May: Feria

09.30 Mass: Bernadette Booker †

### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May: Feria

No Mass or Confessions today

### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Our Lord Jesus

**Christ, Eternal High Priest**

19.00 Mass: Julie Williams †

### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May: Feria

18.00 Mass: Zita Gereisa †

### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May: St Bede the Venerable

10.00 Mass: Pearl Bouttell †

10.30 Confessions

18.00 Vigil Mass of Sunday: For the Parish

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May: The Most Holy Trinity (p696)

08.30 Mass: Antonio & Concepcion Noel †

10.30 Mass (*live streamed*): Marie Neal †

10.30 Mass (*at Lawshall*): Fr John McCollough †

16.45 Mass in Polish

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## UPCOMING / ADDITIONAL MASSES:

Masses in Syro-Malabar Rite:

1<sup>st</sup> June 15.00 & 15<sup>th</sup> June 13.30

Masses at Montana, Great Barton:

Sunday 10.30; Mon – Fri 10.30; No Mass Sat

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** Tony Aldous, Mary Banthorpe, Christine Bates, Simon Bishop, Imelda Brown, Paul Butler, Stephen Collins, Henry Desira, Steven Desira, Marge Finch, Malcolm Fincham Jacques, Sr Flora, Olive Greenstreet, George Grimshaw, Yvonne Hibbert, Philomena Leach, Jacqui Holmes, Brendan McMullan, Anna Parmiter, Bob Prosser, Fr Gerry Quigley, Richard Reid, Anthea Rix, Sandra Ryder, Joe Scanlon, David Smeeth Cardy, Duncan Stirling, Susan Toole, Mary Tuffen, Jo & Bob Waters, Beverley Whelan, Jim Whyte. May the Lord bring them comfort & healing.

**THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR THIS WEEK:** Alfred Biela, Elizabeth Jolley, Patricia Smith, Brendan Perry, Agnes Wilson, Patricia Foote, Doris Saxby, Lillian Debney, Kathleen Williams, Doreen Warren, John Dickinson, William King, Alfred Monk, Annie Lyon, Anastatia Das, Winifred Cordwell, Edmund Bedingfeld, Margaret Lockey, Pearl Bouttell, Feroza Wright.

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## FINANCE

**Plate collection: £ 1,488.60**

**Standing Orders: £ 1,686.85**

Many thanks for your continuing support of the parish. If you would like to set up a Standing Order with your bank, here are the details you will need:

**St Edmund's Parish, NATWEST**  
**sort code: 60-04-16, a/c no: 56268769**

*The collection for Catholic Communications Network came to £327.16*

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**Please continue to keep Fr Mark and his family** in your prayers following the death of his mum. We hope he will rejoin the parish in June.

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**Going into hospital?** Please let us know so we can arrange a chaplaincy visit. If a patient requires a priest in an emergency, please ask the ward to contact the on-call Catholic chaplain. Please also let us know if you or someone you know is going into a Care Home or St Nicholas' Hospice so we can arrange visits.

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Fr Sean Connolly  
Fr Mark Ashwood  
Alan McMahon  
Brett Gladden

Parish Priest  
Assistant Priest  
Deacon  
Deacon

## NOTICES

**Pentecost International Mass** at 10.30 today, followed by shared lunch in the Crypt. All welcome

**MPs will vote this Wednesday on amendments to the Criminal Justice Bill** currently passing through Parliament. One pro-abortion amendment, proposed by Diana Johnson, would remove any legal protection from unborn babies where a woman seeks to bring about her own abortion at any stage of the pregnancy. Another, proposed by Stella Creasy, seeks to decriminalise abortion up to the 24th week for any party involved, and could therefore put vulnerable women under pressure to abort outside of a medical setting, thereby putting her health at risk as well as ending the unborn child's life. Please contact your MP before Wednesday and ask them to vote against these proposals. More information [www.spuc.org.uk](http://www.spuc.org.uk)

**At the other end life, media pressure is mounting for MPs to support a change to the laws surrounding assisted suicide.** If you haven't seen it already, do try and watch actress Liz Carr's excellent documentary 'Better Off Dead?' which can be found on the BBC iplayer. Carr draws out the impact any change in legislation would have on those living with disabilities. It is a powerful and moving documentary.

**Baptism Preparation Course** will be in the Crypt on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024 18.00. Please contact the office to book a place. 01284 754358.

**The Sisters of St Louis** warmly welcome you to join them to a Mass in remembrance and thanks-giving for all the deceased St Louis Sisters for their years of ministry and service in many parishes in England since 1912. Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, 10.30, at the Church of St Etheldreda, Newmarket. It is hoped as many St Louis friends and parishioners as possible will be able to join us on this special occasion.

**FAIRTRADE STALL** after 10.30 Mass in the Crypt on 26<sup>th</sup> May. Cash only.

**Invitation from the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham** to their Convent at House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, Dereham, NR20 4AQ for the annual open garden and house event on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 12 noon – 17.00. Teas, coffees, cream teas, cakes. Suggested donation £5. Feel free to bring a picnic lunch. Email [office@walsinghamcommunity.org](mailto:office@walsinghamcommunity.org) or call the sisters on **01362 692574** for further details.

**Children's Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May.** The coach will leave St Edmund's Church at 09.00. Suggested donation of £20 per family to help cover costs. Bring your own picnic lunches. Parents must accompany & be responsible for their children on this trip. We aim to return to Bury by around 17.45. Let's hope the sun shines!!

**Bishop Peter invites all married couples** and their families to the annual Marriage Celebration Mass, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June, 11.30 at the Cathedral in Norwich. Couples celebrating significant anniversaries are invited. There will be a photographer present to take photos with the Bishop. Refreshments after Mass. No charge for the day or photos, but donations welcome. To book, please fill in the Booking Form at [www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/](http://www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/) For further details: [mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk)

**Afternoon Tea** with sandwiches, scones & cakes. Glasses of bubbly will also be on sale. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June in the Crypt, 15.00 – 17.00. Tickets £15.00, available from Pamela Bailey on 07778 275 344 or Pat Field on 07769 953464, or the Parish Office. Proceeds in aid of work at Lawshall Church. Please advise us of any particular dietary needs in advance.

**From Advent next year, we will be using an updated translation of the Bible** for our readings at Mass, as approved by Rome and our bishops. The new lectionaries to be used at Mass are rather expensive though! The 4 volumes necessary to cover the whole liturgical year cost £173 each and we will be purchasing 2 sets, one for St Edmund's and one for Lawshall. The Book of the Gospels for use at St Edmund's costs £275. If anyone would be willing to make a contribution towards these costs please contact Catherine in the parish office.

**Live Simply Campaign.** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 19.00 in the Crypt Jane Crone will explain how, together, we can live our faith by living sustainably with creation, in solidarity with people living in poverty. We hope to come up with an action plan for our parish.

**Wanted:** A room to let (ensuite preferably) for a trainee doctor at the W.S. Hospital. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help: 01284 754358.

**Calling practising Catholic teachers?** If you are interested in teaching in a Catholic school, you are warmly invited to an initial information giving meeting, to be held on Zoom, on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, 18.30. An opportunity to hear from the Diocesan Schools Service and the CEOs of our two Catholic Multi-Academy Trusts. For a meeting invite, contact Jane [ssc@rcdea.org.uk](mailto:ssc@rcdea.org.uk)

**St Edmund's School** have a vacancy for Head of Kitchen. 37 hrs per week, 39 weeks per yr. Please see poster in the porch or contact 01284 755141.

**Messa di Gloria** – Bury Bach Choir will sing Puccini's early Mass at the Cathedral, next Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May. Tickets from Apex Box Office 01284 758000

**Please do not park in the school car park** during term time. It is for school staff only. Thank you.

## PRAYER GROUPS

**Living Waters:** Wednesdays in the crypt at 19.30

**Rosary Group** at 107 Fornham Road, IP32 6AS every Monday at 18.30. Please phone first to confirm your attendance. 07534 188767.

**Encounter Jesus:** 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, (28<sup>th</sup> May), in Blessed Sacrament chapel 19.45 – 21.00. Adoration, praise, worship and personal prayer.

**Men's Faith & Fellowship** group next meet on the Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 19:00 for the evening Mass and then for a short time of prayer and discussion. Please join us or talk to John D'Mello or Damian Wallace.

**Centering Prayer Group.** A Method of Christian silent prayer which deepens our relationship with God. The group next meets on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 18.30 – 20.00 in the Crypt. Contact Filip on 07798 555059 for details.