

Parish Church of St. Edmund King & Martyr West Kingsdown

St Edmund's Church seeks to encourage all people to know Jesus Christ by growing in a personal relationship with him, with one another and with the community



**Welcome to our worship today
May you experience the presence and power of God.**

**Sunday 4th May
Third Sunday of Easter**

08.00am Said Eucharist (BCP)

Acts 9:1-6 **Page 1306**

John 21:1-19 **Page 1294**

10.30am All Age

John 21:15-19 from the Youth bible

Gluten Free Wafers are available
Please let Rev Sarah know if you require one

Hymns: Opening 153, Gradual 311, Offertory 560,
Communion 53, 287 & 5, Closing 228

Please remember in your prayers:

Sheila Lake, Val Coburn, Hilda Thorn, Tatiana, Doris Healey, Carol, Joy Anderson, Lynda Harrison, Linda Charbak, Cheryl Lewis, Ruth Bonnett, The Newton-Willis family, Richard, Teresa Milton, Pat Marshal, Angela, Beryl Davidson, Julie Townsend, Roger, Hazel, Wayne, Pam, Steve Vallins, Baby Ruby, Kay, Baby Lola, Margery

Those who have recently died:

Christine Andrews, Roger Brindle, Viv, Patricia Adams

Anniversaries of death in May:

John Jupp, Doreen Blundell, Malcolm Bain, Eric Dimmick, John Guyver, Terry Hopgood, Jean Lutrell, Bill Hudson, Norman Whiting, Robert Goy, Dennis Sharman, Irene Bowen, Reginald (Reg) Endres, George Robinson, Alan Lancaster, Steve Taylor

Morning Prayer

Sun 4 th	Exod. 15:1-2,9-18	John 21:1-19
Mon 5 th	Deut. 5:1-22	Eph. 1:1-14
Tues 6 th	Deut. 5:22-end	Eph.1:15-end
Weds 7 th	Deut. Ch.6	Eph.2:1-10
Thurs 8 th	Deut 7:1-11	Eph. 2:11-end
Fri 9 th	Deut. 7:12-end	Eph. 3:1-13
Sat 10 th	Deut. Ch.8	Eph.3:14-end

Morning Prayer will be said in church on **Tuesday at 09.30am, Wednesday at 09.00 Thursday at 08.30, Friday at 09:30 and Saturday at 09.30am.**

There will be **NO** morning prayer in church on Monday.



**St. Edmund's Flower Festival
3rd - 5th May**

Saturday 3rd May 10.00 – 5.00pm

Sunday 4th May 12.30 – 4.00pm

Monday 5th May 10.00 – 5.00pm

The theme of the Festival is 'Favourite Hymns'

🌸 **Flower Festival Songs of Praise** 🌸

This Sunday at 4.00pm

Followed by refreshments

Come and join us for a joyful afternoon of hymns and fellowship as we celebrate our Flower Festival.

We'll be singing some of the hymns beautifully represented in the floral arrangements around the church.

All are welcome - bring a friend and stay for a cuppa afterwards!



The **final** preparation session will be on **Tuesday 6th May at 7.30pm** in the Millennium Room

Please remember in your prayers:

Michael Chapman, Tanya Wall, Lisa Kiddle, Jimmy Smith, Barbi Noelia and Eva Iva'nfi as they prepare for their confirmation **next Sunday at St Peter & Paul, Farningham.**

The service is at 4.00pm, please do come along to support them

Rev Sarah

Thank You



Thank you to everyone who has created a flower arrangement for the **Flower Festival**.

Each one is truly splendid
Thank you to the ladies who have been serving refreshments so cheerfully

And thank you to Yvonne for making an astounding 240 feet of beautiful bunting
Your creativity, time, and care have filled our church with colour, joy, and a true sense of community.



Rev Sarah

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To *Eileen Graves* on the *9th May*

We hope you have a lovely birthday

St. Edmund's Centre



Friday Crafters

Friday 9th May between 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Toddler Church



Every Thursday between 09.00-11.00am
at St. Edmund's Centre, School Lane
(Term Time Only)

Toys, Tea and Toast - and an opportunity for fellowship and chat.

QUIZ NIGHT

At the St Edmund's Centre

Friday 23rd May 7.00 for 7.30 pm start

Bring your own drinks & nibbles

Teams of up to 8 – individuals welcome

£5.00 per person.

There will also be a Raffle

Raising funds for Christian Aid

Please book a table by emailing

wilderx2@gmail.com



St. Edmund's Summer Fair

Saturday 21st June between 12.00 noon – 3.00pm

Gamecock Meadow

Donations are required for the

Tombola

Water into Wine Stall

Hamper

Gift Bags

but please NO Bric-A-Brac or Books until early June



Christian Aid Week

11th-14th May

If you would like to make a donation to Christian Aid there will be individual envelopes at the back of church

The money raised at the Quiz night is also for this charity.

Thank you in advance for your support.

The Away Giving Team

VE80

Commemorating 80 Years Since Victory in Europe

There will be a short service at the War Memorial on

Thursday 8th May at 12:00 noon

Followed by refreshments in the Millennium Room

Join us as we pause to remember and give thanks for peace, service, and sacrifice.

All are very welcome.

EASTER RAFFLE – THANK YOU



A fabulous **£170.00** was raised from the sale of our **Easter Raffle** tickets in aid of Battersea at Brands

A big thank you to everyone who donated prizes or brought tickets. Your support helped raise this brilliant amount, and we know Battersea at Brands will put it to great use helping animals in need

The Away Giving Team

Rector

The Rev'd Sarah Corry

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Rector's Day Off – Monday



Rev Sarah will be retiring at the end of July and as far as we know she will be taking her husband with her!

Don has been a key figure at **St. Edmund's Church** and the **St. Edmund's Centre**, dedicating his time and energy to help keep everything running smoothly.

As a church, we now need to begin sharing some of these responsibilities, starting with the church grounds and that's where you come in!

Volunteers Needed for Churchyard Maintenance – Join the New Breakfast Club!

Rather than asking one person to take on the task of maintaining our beautiful church grounds the PCC has come up with a new idea of a **Breakfast Club**

The idea is simple:

Meet regularly, enjoy some breakfast together, and then spend a little time working on whatever needs doing in the churchyard to keep it looking neat, tidy and welcoming

It's a great opportunity to enjoy some fellowship, fresh air, and contribute to the care of our church grounds.

Whether you have a little time or a lot, **your help will make a real difference** in keeping St. Edmund's Church thriving.

Interested? Want to know more?

Please contact **Darran Hopper** on **07587 121724** or email **darran.hopper1@btinternet.com**

(Due to work commitments, Darran may not always be able to take your call—please leave a message, and he'll get back to you as soon as he can).

Let's work together to keep our church grounds as beautiful as ever!