ST. EDMUND'S CHRONICLE

St. Edmund of Canterbury Catholic Church
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If you have any concerns about the safeguarding of children and vulnerable people in our parish call **07779 288 867**

SUNDAY MASS: (Vigil Mass) Saturday 6.30pm
9.30am Family Mass
11.15am Sung Mass
6.00pm Mass

MASS THIS WEEK: Please check times below
Confessions: Saturday 11-11.45am (after Novena) (and on request)
Divine Office: Psalms Week 2

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME *19TH JANUARY 2020*

We meet in Christ's name from many different backgrounds and circumstances to acknowledge our complete dependence on him and to receive from him the strength we need to serve him faithfully in the world.

(Vigil Mass) **Sunday 19th January** **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	**18.30** **09.30** **11.15** **18.00**	**Ned & Bridget Byrne (RIP)** **Tommy Enright (RIP)** **Dudley Walters (RIP)** **People of The Parish**
Monday 20th January St Fabian	**09.15** **11.00**	**Souls in Purgatory** **Funeral Mass – Paul Simpson**
Tuesday 21st January	**09.15**	**Daniel McMahon (RIP)**
Wednesday 22nd January	**09.15**	**Jimmy Tarbuck (Intention)**
Thursday 23rd January	**09.15**	**Christie O'Connor (RIP)**
Friday 24th January *Friday Abstinence*	**09.30**	**John Greene (RIP)**
Saturday 25th January	**10.30**	**Mary Burke (RIP 10th Ann.)**
(Vigil Mass) **Sunday 26th January** **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	**18.30** **09.30** **11.15** **18.00**	**People of The Parish** **Sheila McMahon** **Maureen & Bernard Langham (RIP)** **Mary Mulryan (RIP Ann.)**

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:
Ann Singleton, Richard Pereira, Katherine Pereira, Eileen Moloney, Vartkes Keshishian, Emily Cleary, Mary Hegarty, Arthur O'Neill, Sam Bell, Connie Hewson, Ricky Langham, John Simpson, Roy Edwards, Rachael Boyle, Thomas O'Driscoll, Phillip Dear, Peter & Anne Rutzler, Nick Rutzler, Freida Batshon, Min Wilde, Jacqueline Turner, Frances Kelly, Teresa Gilbert, Esther D'Souza, Geordie Powell Snr, Gary Davies, Michael Garvey, Pat Scammell, Bridget Martin, Mary Hepworth, Colm Brennan, Brigid Lonergan, Justina Nathan, Kevin O'Neill, Jim Tobin, Parul Peters, Charmaine Peters, Ken Stalder, Steve Simpson, Veronica Lapworth, Mollie Cundy, Neri Fernandes, Anna O'Keeffe, Rose Fox, Patricia Corry, Christian Gibbins, and the families who care for them.
Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Paul Simpson**, **Rachel Clark**, **Mary Daly** and of all those whose anniversaries occur at this time and the families who mourn.

During the month of January we pray for the religious living and working in the Deanery

SENIORS

Next meeting: **Friday 7th February**, talk on film industry. Future meetings: 21st February, talk on scams, 6th March, talk. We look forward to seeing you all! We welcome anyone who would like to join us. **Jean 020 8898 4484**

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

24-hour Adoration will resume on 7th/8th February 2020. If you can sign up for one of the 1-hour slots, please put your name on the rota at the back of church. Thank you for all your support.

HOLY BAPTISM

The next baptism preparation meeting for parents will be held in the Presbytery on Monday 20th January 2020 at 8pm. No appointment needed, but preferably do not bring children.

ABC

'About Being Catholic' next meeting on 29th January 2020, 7.30-9pm in the presbytery. Topic: "Prayers and Devotions".

CROCHET WORKSHOP

Next gathering on 13th February, 5-7pm in the Parish Hall. Free entry but please register by emailing: **justynakonach02@gmail.com**

THE GUILD OF ST STEPHEN

Congratulations to all our altar servers who were honoured in the ceremony last week and received their St Stephen medals. Thank you to our new volunteers and everyone involved. If your child is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact: **clarelee239@gmail.com**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Parents & candidates introductory meeting on 25th January 2020, 10-11am in the School Hall. During the meeting the FHC candidates will have the chance to meet their catechists.

PARISH SHOP

Last week of Christmas clearance sale with some items half price. Come and have a look.

SOUL BISTRO

A chance for young adults (18-30s) to deepen and reflect on their faith and share a delicious homemade dinner together. Next gathering is on 28th January 2020 in St Edmund's Social Club, Whitton. NB: this group is open to all young adults of any parish, any marital or relationship status, and any level (or not) of Catholic practice. In other words, "It's not just for nuns". ☺ For more info contact: **chiaraaletti@rcdow.org.uk**

PANTO TIME!

The Edmundian Players January Pantomime is "Jack and the Beanstalk" taking place in the Church Hall on 17th,18th,19th,23rd,24th,25th January (matinees and evenings). Great fun for the whole family. Tickets are now on sale after all weekend Masses at the back of Church or the Box Office **07765 605374 (Paula) between 6-9 pm**. £7 and £5 (concessions and children).

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

On Sunday 19th January Churches Together in Whitton will be holding a service at Whitton Baptist Church at 3pm – all are very welcome!

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS

The funeral mass for Paul Simpson will be held in St Edmund's on Monday January 20th at 11a.m., and the funeral service for Rachel Clark will be on Wednesday January 29th at 11.30a.m.

SAFEGUARDING

Anne Jones will be in the presbytery on Sunday 19th January after 9.30 mass for anyone working in the parish who needs a DBS check.

APPLICATIONS FOR NURSERY 2020/21

For parents of children who worship at St Edmund's the following dates and times have been set for those who need a 'CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE' form signed by Fr. Nigel for a nursery application: Wednesday 29th January 3.00pm – 5.30pm, Tuesday 11th February 2.00pm – 4.30pm, Monday 24th February 3.00pm – 7.00pm. To book an appointment, please telephone the school office on **020 8894 7898**.

ZUMBA GOLD FITNESS CLASS

Every Monday during term time, 2pm-2.45. Zumba gold is a lower impact, slightly lower intensity dance fitness class, suitable for all ages, abilities and levels of fitness. No need to book, just come along. A great way to move more, increase strength, improve balance and cardiovascular fitness in a fun and friendly group. Everyone welcome. £6/class.

RICHMOND IRISH NETWORK PRESENTS

St. Patrick's Dinner and Dance, Friday 13th March at Royal Mid Surrey Golf Club, Richmond, Surrey. We are supporting Richmond Mayor's local charities - Home Start & The Otakar Kraus Music Trust. Tickets: £75 includes reception drinks, 3 course meal, half a bottle of wine and live entertainment or £750 for a table of 10. Tickets available from: **http://buytickets.at/richmondirishnetwork/308321** Enquires: **seamusjoyce@yahoo.co.uk 07969 065009**

GOD WHO SPEAKS SCRIPTURE ROADSHOW

Westminster Cathedral 30th Jan – 1st February. Throughout 2020, dioceses and communities are invited to explore:

- In what good ways do we celebrate God's word?
- Where might there be gaps? Is anyone excluded?
- What new ways and opportunities might be open to us?

More details can be found on leaflets available at the back of the church.

The Word This Week

We ended our Christmas Season thinking about who this Jesus of Nazareth actually was, and this continues today. As we return to the beginning of Our Lord's public ministry there is a sense of something exciting about to happen; even though we know the story, we dive into it once more, like returning to a favourite novel or film. So it is with joy that we recognise Jesus of Nazareth as the Chosen One of God, who offers himself to do God's work.

DIARY

LEGION OF MARY every Wednesday 10am in the Presbytery
KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA 4th Tuesday 8pm in the Presbytery
UCM 2nd Thursday each month in the Hall (Mass 7.30pm)
PARENTS & TODDLERS every Wednesday 1.30-3pm in the Hall
CHOIR every Friday night from 8 pm in the Church
EDMUNDIAN PLAYERS Tuesday evenings 8-10pm in the Hall Phone Angela 020 8894 1269
SENIORS 1st and 3rd Friday of month from 1.30pm in the Hall
CHURCH CLEANING - Alternate Thursdays 10–11am
GHANAIAN ASSOC - Every First Sunday of the month 12.30pm after 11.15am Mass in the Hall. (Anita Torto-Owusu 07719 791 635)

WEEKLY FINANCES - LAST WEEK

Offertory Envelopes	£ 296.23
Loose	£ 560.86
Building Fund	£ 102.20
Bankers Orders	£ 724.00 weekly

Building Fund Winner No: 13 Miss R. Barnett

(If you require new envelopes or standing order and gift aid forms, please ask. Thank you for your support.)

(If you have made a gift aid declaration but no longer pay income or capital gains tax please let us know.)

MISSIO RED BOXES contact: Lucia 07739 746667