



ST. EDMUND'S CHRONICLE

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Divine Office: Psalms Week 4

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11TH OCTOBER 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.

(FIRST SUNDAY MASS) Sunday 11 th October	18.30 09.30	CAFOD People of the Parish	PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Baltasar Domingues, Ann Doherty, Ann Singleton, Richard Pereira, Katherine Pereira, Emily Cleary, Connie Hewson, Riky Langham, John Simpson, Roy Edwards, Rachael Boyle, Phillip Dear, Peter & Anne Rutzler, Freida Batshon, Min Wilde, Jacqueline Turner, Teresa Gilbert, 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, Jeff De Haas, Phyllis Walsh, Geraldine Mullan, Quinton Luis, all who are sick and the families who care for them. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Cyril Davey, Atwell DeSouza, Quinton Luis and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, all who have recently died and the families who mourn.
28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11.15	Anthony Luis & Luis family (RIP)	
	18.00	Mariee O'Donoghue (RIP)	
Monday 12 th October St Wilfrid	09:15	Josephine Gorrino (Int)	
Tuesday 13 th October ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR	09:15	Brian Windmill (RIP)	
Wednesday 14 th October St Callistus	09:15	James & Margaret O'Toole and Family (RIP)	
Thursday 15 th October St Teresa of Jesus	09:15	Quinton Luis (RIP)	
Friday 16 th October St Hedwig	09:15	Private Intention	
Saturday 17 th October St Ignatius of Antioch	10.30	Church Cleaners	
(FIRST SUNDAY MASS) Sunday 18 th October	18.30 09.30	Alwyn DeSouza (RIP) Private Intention	
29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	11.15 18.00	Wieslaw Oschlowski (RIP) People of the Parish	

During the month of October we pray for the priest and people of Teddington

MESSAGE FROM FR NIGEL

A wedding is not simply a personal matter between two people. There are dimensions that go beyond the couple. For Christians, when two people commit themselves to each other in marriage, they show in a powerful way something of the original unity of the human race, the unity we are all called to build up. Our world, though, is divided in so many ways: between rich and poor, between people of different nations and creeds and races, and because of enmity and antagonism. We all share a common humanity and we all share in a common story as Pope Francis emphasises in his encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti'. Two people binding themselves together in marriage is an act that works against our tendency to separate from each other, an act that works towards reconstituting the original unity of the human race. In the context of the parable of the wedding feast, to refuse to come to the wedding is to choose a life of separation over a life where we endeavour to create unity. It is a refusal to work to strengthen that unity in the world that

surrounds us all. Every time we respond to Christ's call in our daily lives, we say yes to the wedding invitation. It might not involve a big feast or dancing. But it always involves something that binds us together in love.

Fr Nigel

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

If you wish to donate to CAFOD please put your money in the CAFOD envelopes and leave in the donations box or use the CAFOD contactless giving device. Alternatively you can donate online direct to CAFOD at <https://cafod.org.uk/Give>

KEEP IN TOUCH

The Chronicle will be published each week on parish.rcdow.org.uk/whitton/ and circulated to all on the parish email list (to be added please email whitton@rcdow.org.uk). We also have a St Edmund's Parish page on Facebook: www.facebook.com/StEdmundWhitton/ If you have any need please do not hesitate to call Fr Nigel **07809 667562**.

COVID PRECAUTIONS

We will now record details of all who attend church during the Covid-19 pandemic either by entering details in the register or through the NHS Covid-19 App. The privacy impact is minimal because the register is kept securely and the information is only divulged if required by the Government and is only kept for 21 days and then shredded. Thank you for your understanding and support.

We are now approaching the maximum capacity on Sunday mornings and to fit in the maximum will take some organization, so you may not be able to sit where you prefer. If demand exceeds supply, we will bring in a booking system but there is still room at the evening masses. We depend on volunteer cleaners and stewards for this all to happen, and more are needed so please help if you can. Please maintain social distancing with anyone outside of your household, even outside the church. If someone comes to church and is then tested positive for the virus, the church must be closed for 72 hours. **If you are feeling unwell, please refrain from coming to Mass.** The Sunday Obligation is still suspended, but if you are not at Sunday Mass you should spend some time in prayer and religious reflection, and there is plenty of room at weekday masses. Confessions can now take place by appointment.

WAYS TO GIVE

CONTACTLESS GIVING IS HERE!

We now have contactless giving using a debit or credit cards. The machine is by the entrance nearest the car park. It is also easy to give online from your bank account. The parish account is **WRC DT ST EDMUNDS CANTERBURY WHITTON, 40-05-20, 61094564**. Another way to give is through **Virgin Money Giving**. Simply go to tiny.cc/StEdmundVM. Your generous donations are helping us to keep the church running. Planned Giving envelopes for those in the scheme are now available for collection in church.

GARDENING

If you are able to help look after the church grounds, volunteers are needed. Times to suit you, safe distancing guaranteed!

MISSIO

Today is World Mission Sunday. It supports missionaries who work alongside communities that are poor or in need. By Supporting Missio, the Popes charity, you will help missionaries share the love of Christ with those in most need. Please pray for the mission of the church throughout the world and given what you can. Tel: **020 7821 9755** office hours only or visit the mission website: mission.org.uk

CATHOLIC MEDIA

Current restrictions have made it impracticable to continue stocking newspapers and magazines in church. Readers can support these valuable publications by subscribing directly via their respective websites:

www.thecatholicuniverse.com

www.irelandsown.ie

www.catholicherald.co.uk

BAPTISM

There is currently a limit of 6 people to attend a Baptism including the child. New appointments are now being made; please contact the Parish Office for an application form.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Born in Northumberland in 634, St. Wilfrid was educated at Lindisfarne and spent some time in Lyons and Rome. He was an outstanding personage of his day, extremely capable and possessed of unbounded courage, remaining firm in his convictions despite opposition from civil and ecclesiastical authorities. He helped bring the discipline of the English Church into line with that of Rome. He was also a dedicated pastor and a zealous and skilled missionary; his brief time spent in Friesland in 678-679 was the starting point for the great English mission to the Germanic peoples.

ST EDMUND'S SCHOOL JOB VACANCY

School Meals Supervisory Assistant. 1¼ hours each day, Monday–Friday, 11.50am to 1.05pm. £3,102 p.a. Candidates should have experience working with children, have good humour, flexibility, like children and enjoy outdoor activities. Apply by noon, Friday 16th October. Please apply via:

www.st-edmunds.richmond.sch.uk

ST RICHARD REYNOLDS SIXTH FORM

Virtual open evening: Tuesday 20th October at 6.30pm. Please register your interest at: www.strichardreynolds.org.uk

HELP STOP DIY ABORTIONS

During the Coronavirus pandemic the Government's "pills through the post", measure, means that over 23,000 women in England and Wales aborted their baby at home during lockdown. Please help SPUC to spread the truth about DIY abortion and save women and babies from the tragedy of abortion. Will you deliver pro-life information leaflets about DIY abortions door-to-door? Every leaflet could make the difference to a vulnerable woman and save a baby's life. Please go to our website to learn more and order some leaflets or order leaflets by calling SPUC on **020 7091 7091**.