

This week's diary

Sunday 3rd

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Eucharist
9.15am Choir Practice
10.00am Sung Eucharist

Monday 4th

No services today

5.00pm Beaver Scouts
6.30pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday 5th

No services today

7.00pm Licensing of Fr Philip Barnes,
St Stephen's, Gloucester Road
7.00pm Scouts

Wednesday 6th

No services today

7.00pm Youth Group

Thursday 7th

10.00am Healing Eucharist
7.45pm Badminton Group

Friday 8th

No services today

4.00pm Messy Church

Saturday 9th

9.30am Eucharist

Sunday 10th

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Eucharist
9.15am Choir Practice
10.00am Sung Eucharist



THE ORBIT

WELCOME

to St. Edmund's
Sunday 3rd Sept 2017

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Today's Services

8.00am Eucharist

10.00am Sung Eucharist

Prelude: Canon in D – J.Pachelbel

Setting: Healey Willan (Merbecke Gloria)

Anthem: O come ye servants of the Lord – C.Tye

*Hymns: 148 (omit *), R44, R17, R39, R20*

Postlude: Voluntary No 10 – W.Boyce

*Please join us for refreshments after the 10am Eucharist
in the Hall*

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**Please take this home with you
for your reference and prayers this week**

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Today's Readings

Jeremiah 15.15-21; Romans 12.9-21; Matthew 16.21-28

In the first reading Jeremiah feels let down by God. He has received insult and persecution on account of the hard message he has had to proclaim. So he calls God a deceitful brook, one who doesn't keep his promises. Amazingly, God's reply is not one of condemnation but promise. If Jeremiah will proclaim faithfully the message God gives him, God will defend him – not from insult, but from being silenced or ultimately harmed.

The message of Paul in the letter to the Romans is hugely countercultural. Romans aimed to receive honour, not give it. Enemies were to be crushed, not blessed. Status mattered hugely. Peace could reign only when honour was satisfied. Paul sells to people God's alternative way.

The gospel from Matthew contains the first of three places where Jesus predicts his own death. Given that the claim to be 'son of God' was so politically sensitive, it is not surprising that Peter fails to understand the idea of an emperor who reigns by dying. But succumbing to the temptation to survive is what would defeat God's kingdom; that's why, in voicing it, Peter has become the voice of Satan.

For your prayers this week...

The sick: Amy Austin, Julie Bent, Barbara Fairclough, Bernard Fairclough, Kay Fletcher, Ollie Gardiner, Betty Glass, Iris Golding, Darren Hale, Saman Khan, Margaret Messenger, Suzanne Nicholls, Emil Pimm, Margery Richards, Joan Rix, Ian Roberts, Ros Shirran, Charlie Shirran, Fred Webb, Julie Windsor, Rachel Windsor, Nora Wood

Anniversaries of death: Herbert Hance, William Parrymore, Jack Ewington

Notices

5TH SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS If you would be willing to serve on the refreshment rota when those rare "5th Sundays of the month" occur, please have a chat with Steve Castle who will be very grateful!

LICENSING OF FR PHILIP BARNES Fr Philip will be licensed as Priest-in-Charge of St Stephen's Church, Gloucester Road this Tuesday at 7pm. You are welcome to join the group from St Edmund's who will be travelling by tube from Northwood Hills Metropolitan line station. We will catch the 5.34pm train, change at Finchley Road onto the southbound Jubilee line train to Green Park and then change onto the southwest-bound Piccadilly line train to Gloucester Road. We will arrive at 6.30pm and St Stephen's is a 2 minute walk from the tube station. Graham Yates will be leading the group and can be contacted on 07825 427 118. Please keep Fr Philip in your prayers as he prepares for this next phase of his ministry.

YOUTH GOUP IS BACK! St Edmund's Youth Group begins again this Wednesday 7pm - 9pm. It is a small friendly group for young people between the ages of 10 and 16. Entrance is just 50p and activities include quizzes, football, air hockey, remote control cars, table football, ten pin bowling and cinema trips and more. Please contact Steve Castle on 020 8868 0482 or visit www.saintedmundschurch.org.uk/youthgroup for more information. This is a service we offer to the local community - those of any faith (and none) are very welcome. Please spread the word so we can grow the group to reach more in our Parish.

HARVEST FESTIVAL will be celebrated at 11am on Sunday 24th September and will be followed by a meal together in the Hall - please add your name to the list at the back of church (or in the foyer) so we have a rough idea of numbers.

HARVEST GIFTS will be donated to New Hope again this year. A shopping list of items they would value can be found at the back of the church, in the foyer and on our website. Thanks very much.

ANN & JACK WARRICK There will be drinks after today's 10am service to celebrate Ann & Jack's recent diamond anniversary.

MESSY CHURCH Our next Messy Church will be on Friday from 4pm to 6pm. There will be junk modelling and other things to make. Tea provided. Look forward to seeing you there.