

## This week's diary

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY  
(THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT)**

8.00am Eucharist  
10.00am Sung Eucharist  
3.30pm Memorial Service

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

*No services today*

5.00pm Beaver Scouts  
6.30pm Cub Scouts

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

2.30pm Women's Guild  
7.00pm Scouts  
7.15pm Eucharist  
8.00pm PCC Meeting

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

4.15pm Confirmation Class  
5.30pm Eucharist  
7.00pm Youth Group

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Eucharist  
7.45pm Badminton Group

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**S. HUGH OF LINCOLN**

8.30am Eucharist  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Eucharist

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

**SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

8.00am Eucharist  
10.00am Sung Eucharist  
3.30pm Classic Concert



**THE ORBIT**

**WELCOME**  
to St. Edmund's  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

### Today's Services

**8.00am Eucharist**

**10.00am Sung Eucharist**

*Prelude: Nimrod – E.Elgar*

*Setting: Maher (Peruvian Gloria)*

*Anthem: God be in my head –John Rutter*

*Postlude: Fame and Glory – A.Matt*

**3.30pm Memorial Service**

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

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

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## Notices

### Today's Readings (8am only)

#### Third Sunday Before Advent

**Wisdom 6.12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18; Matthew 25.1-13**

*The gospels set for the next three Sundays all look forward to 'the coming of the Son of Man'.*

*Traditionally, these stories have been understood to be about the second coming of Christ, and that's certainly how Paul understands the teaching of Matthew on which he draws in 1 Thessalonians (today's second reading). There, Paul urges his new converts not to waver: Jesus would return as the Lord of God's kingdom, to vindicate them and reward those who had died.*

*The story of the wise and foolish virgins must have been told with a chuckle, but with a sudden silence at the end as the passage reaches its unexpected end – the lock out of the servant-girls on the part of the groom. The servant girls return from buying more oil for the lamps, only to find that the happy couple have returned, and that the bridegroom will not let them back to join the festivities.*

*This unexpected part of the story is the bit that is meant to make people sit up and listen: for her, Jesus casts Israel as the foolish virgins, who through her sin and rejection of Jesus will find themselves shut out of their own party by the master they thought they knew. What makes the difference? Wisdom, as celebrated in today's first reading. What is wisdom? It is equipping ourselves to meet the King, and we discover how to do that as the rest of this chapter of Matthew unfolds in the next couple of weeks.*

### For your prayers this week...

**The sick:** Amy Austin, Marianne Dawson, 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:** Daisy Crawford, Margaret Battes, Eve Ewington, Vi Woodage

**PCC MEETING** The PCC meets this Tuesday at 8pm in the Lady Chapel. It is preceded by Eucharist at 7.15pm to which all are welcome.

**JULIE BENT** It is with great sadness that we have to announce that Julie died early on Tuesday morning. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ray and all of Julie's family. Details of her funeral will be announced as soon as they are available.

**ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE** This year's service takes place this afternoon at 3.30pm to which all are welcome. This gives us an opportunity to support those who have lost loved ones, particularly in the last year. The service will be followed by tea.

**WOMEN'S GUILD** There will be a Fundraising afternoon in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support this Tuesday at 2.30pm. Please come along to support this worthy cause. We are holding a Bring & Buy, mainly edibles, and will be happy to receive donations of money if you are unable to attend. All are most welcome to join us for tea.

**CLASSIC CONCERT** There will be a Classic Concert next Sunday at 3.30pm given by pianist Valentin Schiedermaier. An extra pair of hands are needed in the kitchen, serving tea and washing up from 4.00-5.30 pm.

**ST EDMUND'S DAY** is on Monday 20th November and there will be a Sung Eucharist at 7pm followed by supper in the Hall. Please sign up at the back of the church for your choice of supper.

**CHRIST THE KING** There will be Evensong (with congregational responses) and Benediction at 4pm on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** This week if you have any TOYS – new or used but not damaged - that you no longer need, please bring them along next time you are at St. Edmund's and put them on the table at the back of the church.

**TEARFUND** Would you support their petition to persuade the supermarkets to change their rigid requirements for selling farm products? There is a pile of cards at the back of the church entitled RENEW OUR FOOD. Please take one if you are interested and fill in the relevant page at the back. I will collect the cards next Sunday. Jenny Jones