

# SAINT EDMUND'S PARISH – CALNE

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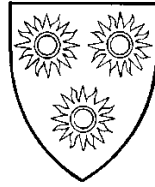
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## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2022

**Church Cleaning: Week 3**

**Divine Office: Week 4**

SATURDAY	EVE of the EIGHTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time)	Mass at 6.00 pm
SUNDAY	EIGHTH SUNDAY (Ordinary Time)	Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	FEAST of ST DAVID, BISHOP, PATRON OF WALES	Mass at 10.00 am
WEDNESDAY	ASH WEDNESDAY	Mass at 7.00 pm
THURSDAY	Thursday after Ash Wednesday	Mass at 10.00 am
FRIDAY	Friday after Ash Wednesday: Mass Followed by Stations of the Cross	Mass at 11.30 am
SATURDAY	EVE of the FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT	Mass at 6.00 pm

Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent

**To restrict the spread of Coronavirus, the church and the government suggest that as a safer behaviour, you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces where you may come into contact with other people you do not normally meet. Please sanitise your hands on entering the Church.**

**ASH WEDNESDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH:** There will be a service at St Edmund's School, at 1.30 pm.

**LENT LUNCHESES:** After Stations of the Cross on Fridays in the hall; donations collected for the harbour Project.

**BAPTISM – SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> MARCH:** We welcome Abigail into our parish family.

**SYNOD 2023:** As part of the preparations for the Synod in 2023, the church wishes to listen to all parishes. You will receive some questions to consider as part of our parish's contribution to this listening exercise. There are two ways to respond to these - either in writing or by attending a meeting. There will be a box in the porch for any responses, which can be anonymous, as well as a place in the parish hall to write any responses or thoughts. There will then be an open parish meeting this Sunday after Mass in the hall which we would encourage as many people as possible to attend. In the meantime, please keep this process and those involved in your prayers. Thank you.

**HARBOUR PROJECT – OUR PARISH CHARITY:** Claire Garrett, CEO of The Harbour Project attended Sunday Mass last weekend. She described the relief Harbour Project provides for 900 asylum seekers and refugees, including individuals and families from 53 countries, all living in temporary accommodation in Swindon. Harbour offers them practical help and friendship, including English classes, help with form filling and opportunities to meet others in a neutral space. It is non-judgemental and accepting of all. Please buy your raffle tickets and help us to plan more fund-raising events. If you have any ideas, please speak to Paul Blake or any member of the Parish Council. Claire will also speak at the Saturday evening service at 6.00 pm on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

**MOTHERS' PRAYERS:** Tuesdays at 10.30 am -11.30 am. All Mothers are welcome.

**LENT COURSE 2022:** Belong and Believe - how our Celtic past can help us today. This is a Catholic Faith Exploration course produced by CaFE which will take place over five weekly sessions in Lent. Wednesday evenings 7.30-9.00pm starting on Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. Coffee and cake will be available with a short video and discussions to follow. All are welcome.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** runs from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March, highlighting the challenges that climate change brings to farmers in marginalised communities. The Calne Fairtrade Group are planning a number of events in Calne during and around the Fortnight, but timings are to be confirmed. Our Traidcraft stall will be at Mass at St Edmund's and also at St Michael's Church Hall, Lyneham, on Shrove Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March, during the coffee morning between 10.00 am and 12 noon, when all are welcome.

**DIOCESAN RECONCILIATION LITURGIES:** Bishop Declan will celebrate Liturgies of Reconciliation during the Season of Lent. Local dates & venues are Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March (St John, Bath), and **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March (St**

**John, Trowbridge)** All services start at 7.00 pm. There will be priests available at each venue to celebrate sacramental reconciliation.

**THE NATIONAL NOVENA TO ST JOSEPH** will take place from 10<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at St Joseph's Church in Maidenhead. Every year, the Mill Hill Missionaries prepare for the Feast of St Joseph, their Society Patron, with a special Novena of Masses and prayers to ask for God's blessing on their Society's missionary outreach, and for the intentions of all those who support their work. If you are able, and if it is possible to attend, Masses are on Thursday (10<sup>th</sup>) and Friday, at 7.30pm, Saturday at 10am, Sunday at 11.00am, Monday - Friday (18<sup>th</sup>) at 7.30pm. If you are unable to attend but would like to join in from home, Masses from St. Joseph's Church will be available to follow on Zoom, via the Mill Hill website: [www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena](http://www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena). You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena prayer booklet. Please write to the Novena Director at 6 Colby Gardens, Maidenhead, SL6 7GZ, telephone **01628-676909**, or email [novenamhm@gmail.com](mailto:novenamhm@gmail.com). An example booklet is on the noticeboard in the porch.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** The combined service for The World Day of Prayer 2022 will be hosted this year by the Calne Baptist Church, Castle Street, on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022, at 10.00 a.m. The service has been prepared by the women of England, Wales & Northern Ireland and the theme is "I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU". All are most welcome to attend. YouTube Recording will be available by the evening; see link: [www.calne-baptist.org.uk/wdop2022](http://www.calne-baptist.org.uk/wdop2022)

**THY KINGDOM COME 2022 LAUNCH WEBINAR** – Plans for this year's Thy Kingdom Come will be unveiled at a special launch event on 28<sup>th</sup> February at 12.00 pm. In this webinar you can learn about the range of free resources for churches, families, and individuals – all designed to spiritually nourish, deepen and refresh one's faith. To register, visit [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

**REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE:** Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage - and you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme, starting with a 'Virtual' weekend on **3<sup>rd</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> March** 2022, visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk), or call 07887 296983, or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com)

**CALNE FOOD BANK:** There is a list of food needed for Calne Food Bank on the box in the Church Porch. Please do not donate porridge, packets of cereal or pasta, at present, as we have so much it is likely to go out of date. Toiletries and cleaning materials are also very much needed. Thank you.

**COMMUNION AT HOME:** We are aware that there are a number of elderly and house bound parishioners who have been unable to get to Mass during the Lockdown. If they would like to have Holy Communion brought to them at home, please can they, or friends and/or family please contact Father Vincent who will arrange for a Minister of the Eucharist to visit and bring Communion. Thank you.

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS:** The deadline for submissions is before Wednesday. Contact details; please email [calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:calne.stedmund@cliftondiocese.com) , or speak to Fr Vincent. Thank you.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all who are unwell or housebound, especially those members of our parish, including Florence Bampton, Teresa Bowyer, Christopher & Clifford Browne and family, Teresa Collar, Kathleen Drury, Margaret Heard, Michael McNiff, Maggie Murray, Mary O'Brian, Margaret O'Dea, Elizabeth Wilkins, Heather Smith, Ann and John Cripwell, Marie Sawyer. Please inform Fr Vincent if you know a parishioner is unwell or housebound.

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