

# SAINT EDMUND'S PARISH – CALNE

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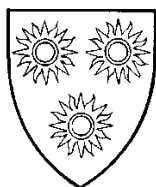
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**SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE – 26<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

**Church Cleaning: Week 2**

**Divine Office: PSALTER 2**

SATURDAY	EVE of the SOLEMNITY of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE	Mass at 6.00 pm
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00 am	
SUNDAY	SOLEMNITY of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE	Mass at 11.00 am
TUESDAY	Weekday Ordinary Time	Mass at 10.00 am
WEDNESDAY	St Anthony of Padua – Mass at 10.00 am	
THURSDAY	FEAST of St ANDREW, APOSTLE	Mass at 10.00 am
FRIDAY	REQUIEM MASS CHRIS DRURY 1.00 pm	
SATURDAY	EVE of the FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B)	Mass at 6.00 pm
	St Anthony of Padua, Melksham, Mass at 10.00 am	
	Confessions by arrangement with Fr Vincent	

**To restrict the spread of virus, you may wish to continue to wear a face covering. Please sanitise your hands on entering the Church.**

**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER – Requiem Mass Chris Drury, 1.00 pm**

**CAROLS AND CHRISTMAS SONGS** will be performed in the church by the pupils of the Year 3 class of Saint Edmund's School on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December from 11.30 am to 12 noon. All are welcome. Free to attend but donations to Calne Food Bank will be appreciated.

**CONFIRMATIONS 2024:** Confirmations will be celebrated in October 2024. We now need volunteers to help with a programme of preparation for the candidates. If you would be willing to help with this, please speak to Father Vincent.

**ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH (APF)/MISSIO - RED BOXES:** Please could box holders bring in their boxes to be emptied. The 2024 Missio calendar is available in the porch.

**PARISH PROJECT 2024:** A open parish meeting will be held in the church on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, the First Sunday of Advent, directly after the 11.00.a.m. Mass to choose a suitable charitable Parish Project for 2024 for our Covenant with the Poor. Parishioners are invited to speak at this meeting with suggestions regarding a suitable charitable project and how funds could be raised to support it.

**CHILDRENS LITURGY:** All children are very welcome to attend Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass on Sundays. It would be ideal if there was a small team to help run this group. If you are able to help in any small way, such as being the second adult, please speak to Gabrielle after Mass.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024:** Sessions for children who wish to receive their First Holy Communion in 2024 will start on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Parents, please contact Angel on WhatsApp 00447803805868.

**HOLY SOULS' ENVELOPES** are available during November for Masses for your deceased loved ones.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** are asked to please complete a registration form (available in the porch) and hand to Fr Vincent. If you have never filled in a form, please take one for completion and return to Fr Vincent.

**STARTING SCHOOL?** If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> **September 2019** and 31<sup>st</sup> **August 2020**, then **now** is the time to apply for a place at a primary school for admission from **September 2024** onwards. You must complete an application form that is available from the school admissions team of the **Wiltshire** Council. If your child has been baptised and you are applying for a Catholic school, you **must** also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to the school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15<sup>th</sup> January 2024**.

**SAFE FAMILIES SUPPORT IN CALNE:** Safe Families is a Christian Charity seeking to bring hope and belonging to families who are isolated, alone and in circumstances beyond their control. We seek to do this

through love, connection, and community; we believe that the local church is where the change is going to happen in our communities, and we work in partnership with local churches to support families that are referred to us from the Local Authority. You can read more about Safe Families here (there is a great short video on this page too) <https://safefamilies.uk/church/> We have been working across the county to support families this year and so far, we have supported 23 families, including one in Calne. There are several families on our waiting list in Calne and the surrounding villages, wouldn't it be wonderful if we could provide volunteers from within the church community to come alongside these families? If you would like to help, please contact Kirsty Cross, Safe Families Community Volunteer Manager, Tel office: 0333 4141488, mobile: 07425 792699 or [kirstycross@safefamilies.uk](mailto:kirstycross@safefamilies.uk)

**CALNE FAIRTRADE COMMITTEE:** Did you know that Calne is a Fairtrade Town? Do you want to help support farmers in poorer countries get a better price for their produce and fairer trading terms? Then why not join the Calne Fairtrade Committee? More details from [secretarycalnechurches@gmail.com](mailto:secretarycalnechurches@gmail.com)

**CALNE FOODBANK** Calne Food Bank is very short of food needed to make up Food Parcels for those in need. When you are shopping, please can you buy an extra can or packet to donate? Food can be donated at Sainsburys, Tesco or the box in the Church Porch. A list of items needed is on the notice board, Thank you.

**NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS:** Items for publication should be submitted by Wednesday of each week. Contact details; please email [calne.stedmund@cliftdiocese.com](mailto:calne.stedmund@cliftdiocese.com) or speak to Fr Vincent. Thank you.

**COMMUNION AT HOME:** If any house bound parishioners unable to get to Mass would like Holy Communion brought to them at home, please contact Father Vincent, who will arrange a visit by a Minister of the Eucharist. Thank you.

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