

Thursdays at St Edwards

Warm Social Space - We offer an open church for you to spend your Thursdays between 10.00 - 4.00 pm for a chat with tea, coffee and biscuits

Thursday Lunch Club - We also hold a lunch club on Thursdays from 11.30 am to 1.30 pm. You can have a mug of soup, a roll and a chat

Sing for Joy – You are welcome to join the group who enjoy singing the old favourites that we all love. Thursday afternoon from 3.00 pm – 4.00 pm

We would like to welcome everyone to join in these activities

There are small cards at the back of church regarding these events, please take a few and kindly hand out to friends and neighbours

Please Support the Mission, Worship and Upkeep of St Edwards Church with your Contributions – Thank you

Thank you for joining in Worship at St. Edwards New Addington
We value your presence and your prayers

Note - When attending Church, please keep all valuables and personal effects with you as a precautionary measure

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The Parish Church of **ST. EDWARD KING & CONFESSOR** New Addington

Sunday 19th July, 2026
7th Sunday after Trinity
Celebrant & Preacher:
Father Prem



Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever **Amen**

A Prayer of Blaise Pascal (1623-1662)

O Lord, let me not henceforth desire health or life except to spend them for you, with you and in you. You alone know what is good for me; do therefore what seems best to you. Give to me or take from me; conform my will to yours; and grant that with humble and perfect submission and in holy confidence I may receive the orders of your eternal providence, and may equally adore all that comes to me from you **Amen**

Please remember in your Prayers this week

Pray for Bishop Christopher, our Diocesan Bishop, who had his valedictory service yesterday, and pray for Bishop Rosemarie, who is the Diocesan Bishop in charge

Pray for the peace of the world and for the end of the US-Iran war

Pray for people who are struggling to cope with the heat wave

Pray for the New Prime Minister Andy Burnham, as he prepares to take office

Pray for residents and carers in the care homes in New Addington

Pray for those with ongoing Sickness and Concern

Joyce Preston - Betty Attree - Mike Wilkins – John Kendall
Carlotta Boyce - Paul Patient - Georgiana Mitchell - Sheila Bance
Graham Baker – Kamy - Emiah Okorejior - Paul Lusher – Iris Attree
Elizabeth Ambrose - Harold Hogben – Gill Gillam – Lesley Clay

Pray for the Recently Departed

We also pray for those who are known only to us whose anniversary falls at this time of year namely Jim Richards

Altar Flowers arranged in loving memory of Ursula Curtis

Today's Readings

Genesis 28: 10 – 19

Romans 8: 12 – 12

Matthew 13: 24 – 30, 36 – 43

Gospel – Matthew 13: 24 – 30 (*Shorter Version*)

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Meetings

Finance Group – Tuesday **21st July** at 7.45 pm in the Parish Office
PCC – Monday **27th July** at 7.45 pm in the Parish Office

Church Open Day plus Bric-a-Brac Sale - Saturday 25th July, 11.00 am to 2.00 pm. There will be refreshments inside the church so why not come and bag a bargain, also treat yourself to a cream tea

Sunday School meet next week on Sunday 26th July 2026

Bible Study – next meet on Thursday 30th July, 2026

CAMEO next meet on Wednesday 5th August, 2026

Church B-B-Q - Sunday 16th August – 12noon – 4.00 pm

Fr Prem and Revd Deborah have kindly offered the use of their garden again this year. Please come along and enjoy good food and a chat with others from the church. Family and friends are welcome. More details nearer the time

Sunday School Helpers - We are hoping to expand our Sunday school with separate classes for the different age groups and hold it fortnightly. To make this possible we need some extra help. If you are interested in assisting with the classes, please have a chat with either Lesley or Julie - Thankyou

Neighbours - In this heat, please give a thought to your elderly neighbours especially those that live alone. Maybe just give them a knock to see if they are ok or need any shopping that you could get when you are getting your own

Church Cleaning Group - Our church cleaning group still meet on a Thursday morning during our Thursday drop in, but the cleaning is limited as our two main cleaners are both in their 90's. We all do our best to get some cleaning done but we need more help!! If you can spare an hour on a Thursday, please join us between 10.00 am – 3.00 pm, you will be very welcome

Thursday and Sunday Early Services - The Thursday 9.30 am service and the Sunday 9.00 am service are both live screened onto our Facebook page. If you would like to watch either of these services on the day or later, during the next 30 days, please look at our Facebook page. There is also a link to Facebook on our website:
www.stedwardnewaddington.org.uk

Readings for Sunday 26th July 2026

Genesis 29: 15 – 28

Romans 8: 26 – end

Matthew 13: 31 – 33, 44 – 52