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 22nd November, 2026
Sunday next before Advent
Celebrant & Preacher
Father Prem

Christ the King



Collect

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen**

A Prayer to Christ the King

Christ our King, you are seated in the heavens. To be with you forever, you want us to first see you and serve you here around us; in the people who don't have food and are hungry, who do not have water and are thirsty, who are not welcome and live as strangers, who do not have clothing and are naked, those who are sick and pain, and those in prison. Open our eyes and our hearts to see you and serve you **Amen**

Please remember in your Prayers this week

Pray for people in war zones in these winter months without basic facilities
Pray for Bella Louis Baker, who will be baptised in our Church today.
Pray for those involved in choosing the next Bishop of Southwark
Pray for all those affected by domestic abuse
Pray for all those with mental health issues of any kind and for those who love and care for them

Pray for those with ongoing Sickness and Concern

Joyce Preston - Betty Attree - Mike Wilkins – John Kendall – Iris Attree
Carlotta Boyce - Paul Patient - Georgiana Mitchell - Sheila Bance
Reg Nye - Kamy - Graham Baker – Paul Lusher – Gill Gillam
Elizabeth Ambrose - Harold Hogben – Stephen Totten
Francis Laurence – Dave - Kim - Balasubramaniam

Pray for the Recently Departed – Colin Murray

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

Today's Readings

Ezekiel 34: 11 – 16, 20 – 24 Ephesians 1: 15 – end
Matthew 25: 31 – end

Gospel – Matthew 25: 31 - end

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.

Meetings

Stewardship – **Sunday 22nd November, 2026** – 12 noon - Church
Finance – **Tuesday 24th November, 2026** – 7.45 pm – Parish Office
PCC - **Monday 7th December, 2026** – 7.45 pm – Parish Office

Knitting Group: Our knitting ladies have produced some 100+ garments of various colours and designs. 20 blankets have been knitted by Joyce Preston, with the remaining jumpers, hats and blankets being produced by Vivienne Sapwell, Dawn Marchand and Jacqueline Sanderson. After the items have been blessed, they will be packed together with further items knitted by ladies at St Marks, Reigate and sent to our contact in Northampton for onward shipment to maternity and baby units in countries where they are needed. **- Jacqueline**

Christmas Memorial Service - Rouse and Co, Funeral Directors, are holding their Christmas Memorial Service at St. Edwards on **Saturday 5th December** at 2 pm. It is a service to remember the departed loved ones in this Christmas season. All are welcome

Funeral - Abraham Doyley's Funeral Service will take place on **Friday 11th December, 2026** at 12.30 pm

Children's Christmas Workshop - Saturday 19th December, 2026 from 10.30 am until 12.30 pm – Age Group 3 to 13 years of age. A parent / responsible person (over 16) must stay with their child. Refreshments will be available during the morning. Lots of craft activities plus rehearsals for the Nativity the following day.

Christmas Concert / Nativity on **Sunday 20th December at 3.00 pm**

Teddy Bear / Cuddly Toy Sale & Christmas Stall - During the workshop we shall be selling cuddly toys plus various items from our Christmas Stall

Workshop Leaflets - At the back of Church, you will find leaflets that Fr Prem has printed for the Workshop. If each of you are able to take 5 and either give them to neighbours, who have young children, or put them through a few neighbouring letter boxes, that would be lovely

Raffle prizes - Thank you to those who have already donated a gift for a raffle prize or the Christmas stall, we could still use a few more if possible. If you are able to donate, we would be very grateful. Raffle tickets will be on sale from the 29th November. The lists for the hampers are at the back of church if you would like to donate an item we need

Carol Singing / Christmas Services

A list of all our carol singing, by the Edward Singers, and the Services for the Christmas period will be provided on next week's news sheet

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 29th November, 2026

Isaiah 64: 1 – 9 1 Corinthians 1: 3 – 9 Mark 13: 24 – end