# The Parish Church of SAINT EDWARD THE CONFESSOR Burgess Hill

Building a Community of God's People in the Power of the Holy Spirit



## **SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018** *The Second Sunday of Easter*

🔊 10.00 a.m.

PARISH MASS with Kidz Zone with the Ministry of Prayer for Healing & Wholeness

A week after Easter Sunday the disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'

It is not always easy to believe that Jesus is present in our world. Like doubting Thomas, we all experience moments of doubt and uncertainty. But as we assemble here each Sunday to celebrate Mass, we ought to experience a great strengthening of faith. So let's not try to hide our doubts but bring them to the Risen Lord Jesus and He will do for us what He did for Thomas. ALLELUIA!

**WELCOME** to everyone gathered here at St. Edward's for our Parish Mass this morning. Coffee and refreshments are available in the Café afterwards. Do please stay and share in this time of fellowship together.



**Coffee** is served in the Mustard Seed Café after the Parish Mass – do please stay and share in this time of fellowship together.

THE CAFÉ will be open this week on Thursday and Friday 10.00 a.m. – 3.30 p.m. and Saturday 10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.

**Thank you** to everyone who helped make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so wonderful this year. There was a very real sense of God's presence among us as we contemplated the Lord's passion, death and glorious resurrection.

**THE QUIZ NIGHT** – which was planned for **this Saturday** – has had to be **postponed** as no list appeared - which only leaves today for people to 'sign up'! The Social Team meet next Wednesday (18<sup>th</sup> April) and we will come up with an alternative date towards the end of April or beginning of May. Sorry about this, but I guess Holy Week and Easter rather took over!

Going on from our recent Lent Course, would any be interested in continuing to meet together on a Wednesday evening as a House Group? Please have a word with Father Denis.

**St. Joseph the Worker, Northolt** will be celebrating their Patronal Festival on **Tuesday 1**<sup>st</sup> **May** – the feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

As St. Joseph's is in 'Interregnum' at the moment, the celebrant of the Mass will be Fr. Denis, and the preacher will be Fr. Simon Butler, a former curate at St. Joseph's in Fr. Denis' time.

Would any St. Edward's people like to come and share in this celebration? Please have a word with Father Denis so that we can arrange transport.



### ST. EDWARD'S 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 1968 St. Edward's Church was Dedicated and set apart for worship. We will celebrate this wonderful; weekend on this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a special 'Community Day' on the Saturday which will include a free bar-be-que, live music, a Licensed Bar, Face Painting, and loads of 'games'.

And then on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July**, the **Bishop of Chichester** will be with us for a very special **Festival Mass** at **6.00 p.m**. (No Parish Mass at 10.00 a.m. on this Sunday morning) PLEASE BOOK THESE DATES NOW!

Wine for the Eucharist: We are getting very low on stocks of Communion wine. The wine we use at Mass is Moscatel De Valencia (a golden desert wine) and is available at both Tesco and Sainsburys at about £5 per bottle. Your donations would be very welcome!

#### **PRAYER & CARE**

#### For those who are SICK:

Within our congregation we would especially pray for ...

Kathy Sadler, Anne Chitty, Gloria Baptist-Smith, Jenny Smith, Stephen Gray, Doug Myers, Amelia Hill and Gwen Reed.

And for:

**Gill Oldfield:** numerous cancers – that God's will be done. **Sally Slatter:** in very poor health, now registered blind.

Mark: mental health problems. Jack Fernee very ill in hospital Charlotte- chemotherapy completed now on radiotherapy Maggie & Peter Daly – ongoing medical health problems

Carmela - in a very difficult place at this time

**Peter** – recurring secondary cancer **Gerry** – recovering from 3 strokes

**Jack Fernee**: poorly - now in the Oaks Residential NH **Paul Myles** – undergoing treatment for recurring cancer.

**Recently departed: Sophie Graven** 

**Anniversaries of death:** Ernest Funnell, June Allen (Sunday) Gladys Jordan (Monday) Richard Cuthbertson (Wednesday)

Sidney Robinson, Mary Heard (Thursday)

Frank Reeves, Frances Cooper, Martin Keary (Friday)

### The week ahead at St. Edward the Confessor

SUNDAY The Second Sunday of Easter 8<sup>th</sup> April 2018 10.00 a.m. PARISH MASS

**MONDAY:** Father Denis has Monday as his 'rest-day'

TUESDAY: 10.30 a.m. MASS

Followed by Coffee in the Mustard Seed Café.

WEDNESDAY: The Parochial Church Council meets at the

Vicarage at 7.30 p.m. (followed by 'Drinks &

Nibbles)

THURSDAY: 9.30 a.m. MASS

Followed by breakfast in the Café

The Mustard Seed Café is open

10.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

FRIDAY: The Mustard Seed Café is open

10.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

7.30 p.m. MASS

**SATURDAY:** The Mustard Seed Café is open

10.00 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.

The Quiz planned for this evening has had to

be postponed. New date to follow soon!

NEXT SUNDAY: The Third Sunday of Easter

15<sup>th</sup> April 2018 **10.00 a.m. PARISH MASS** 

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