



East Dartford Benefice
St Edmund &
St Alban
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SUNDAY 9th MARCH **1st Sunday of Lent**

10.30am: Joint Service of Holy Communion
@
St Alban's



Next Sunday: 16th March 2025
2nd Sunday of Lent

10.30am: *Holy Communion @ St Alban's*
10.30am: *Holy Communion @ St Edmund's*

4pm: Messy Church @ St Edmund's
'People who care for us'
(Getting ready for Mothering Sunday)

Diary

THIS COMING WEEK

Monday 10th March

10am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Tuesday 11th March

8.30-12noon Community Hub @ St Alban's (followed by the first session of our Lent course – 'Living with Unanswered Questions')

9:30am Kindness & Wellbeing Café @ St Edmund's

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Wednesday 12th March

8.30am Stepping Stones Toddler Group @ St Alban's.

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

7pm Lent course on zoom

Thursday 13th March

9:30am Eucharist @ St Edmund's

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

12noon Over 60s lunch at St Edmund's followed by bingo

7.30pm PCC meet at St Edmund's

Friday 14th March

8.30am St Edz's Toddler Group @ St Edmund's

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Loving God as we move into the days of Lent,
We thank you for the gift of this season. Thank you for knowing our hearts and our need for rhythms in our lives; thank you for knowing our need for reflection and repentance.. Draw us into a deeper communion with you throughout the coming 40 days. Bless us in this journey with you and in you. Amen

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Coming up....

We are now in the season of Lent and our Lent course begins this coming **Tuesday lunchtime in person at St Alban's at noon, and on zoom on Wednesday evenings at 7pm**. The link for the zoom gathering will be on the attached email. The theme of the course is how we process what many see as the different natures of God in the Old and the New Testament respectively. The first session will focus on 'unanswered questions' in our faith.

The sessions will always be on Tuesday lunchtime in person and on zoom on Wednesday evening.

We have now created a **programme for events and services through Lent, Holy Week and Easter**, so that you can plan accordingly. As with this pew sheet, it will be attached to the email and there will be hard copies available for those who need them. And please take extra to share with friends and neighbours.

Our next Messy Church **will be at St Edmund's next Sunday afternoon, the 16th March, at 4pm**. We'll be preparing for Mothering Sunday and thinking about and giving thanks for people who care for us – whether they're mums or not!

Mandy Brown is asking for **donations of odd plates** ready for Good Friday's Messy Church. Please speak directly to her if you can help in any way.

And a **big thank you** to everyone who supported our quiz on Friday evening and our table top sale on Saturday. Thank you.