

Parish Church of
St. Edmund King & Martyr
West Kingsdown



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Dear All

I hope you have been able to get out and about a little more this week as we entered Step Two of our roadmap out of COVID on Monday. Having been on leave it has been wonderful meeting up and spending time outside with various members of my family. We celebrated our grandson Finley's 9th birthday with a BBQ in the garden last Sunday, visited Wingham Wildlife Park on Monday, went to Westgate for the day on Thursday and then today spent a glorious day with all the grandchildren at Chessington World of Adventure (booked before we knew it would be the day of the Duke of Edinburgh's funeral). I have to say that the whole of the theme park fell silent at 3pm out of respect for Prince Philip and we were able to pick up some of the service via a mobile phone.

His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh R.I.P.



After eight days of mourning the Duke of Edinburgh was laid to rest today. During the past week I have learnt much about him that I had not previously realised. It is often only on losing somebody that many of their characteristics come to the fore. From all that I have heard the thing that truly struck a chord with me was that he was a man who made all those he encountered feel important and of worth. For any that were not able to

make it to church the photograph above shows the table set up in his remembrance with a lit candle, prayer cards and a notice concerning online books of condolence. Online books are still available on the Church of England website www.churchofengland.org/ or the Royal Family website www.royal.uk

Prayer and Worship

Today's service is once again being livestreamed via ZOOM thanks to Jenn Abel. Please remember to book your place for next Sunday's Eucharist by phoning Angela on 01474 852513 from tomorrow, Monday 19th April. The church will be open for private prayer on Wednesday afternoon 2-4pm.

Morning Prayer Readings

Date	Psalms	Old Testament	New Testament
18.04.21	77:11-20	Isaiah 63:7-15	1 Corinthians 10:1-13
19.04.21	96, 97	Deuteronomy 5:1-12	Ephesians 1:1-14
20.04.21	98,99,100	Deuteronomy 5:22-end	Ephesians 1:15-end
21.04.21	105	Deuteronomy ch 6	Ephesians 2:1-10
22.04.21	136	Deuteronomy 7:1-11	Ephesians 2:11-end
23.04.21	5,146	Joshua 1:1-9	Ephesians 6:10-20
24.04.21	108,110,111	Deuteronomy ch 8	Ephesians 3:14-end

APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place at **12noon next Sunday 25th April 2021** in church and via ZOOM. The **revision of the church electoral roll is now closed** and no new names can be added until after the APCM. The revised roll can be found on the notice board at the back of church or can be seen by speaking to the Electoral Roll Officer Pauline Jenner on 01474 852536 or paulinejenner28@yahoo.co.uk

Nominations for two churchwardens and six members to the PCC, 5 for three years and 1 for a year, are now open. Information and nomination forms can be obtained from the Rector.

Copies of the **Annual Report and Financial Statement** have been distributed and can also be found on the notice board at the back of church.

Attendance at the meeting –This is an important meeting in the churches calendar, there are twenty-four place available for in person attendance in church. Please book a place with Angela (01474 852513). Booking a place for worship **does not** automatically book a place at the meeting or vice versa. If you wish to login via ZOOM please contact me during the week so that I can send you the login details.

Birthdays

We have two lovely ladies celebrating their birthdays this week. A very **Happy Birthday** to **Jenny Robinson** celebrating today (18th) and to **Jenny Smith** on Friday (23rd). Hope you both have a lovely day.



Corona Quilt Update

This week I found in my letter box a bag containing some beautiful, knitted squares completed by Sue Havercan from St Bernadette's and I thought I would share a few with you which might inspire you. Every bodies will be wonderfully unique so please don't feel, 'oh dear mine aren't like that'. This project is open to everyone so why not pick up those knitting needles.



St Edmund's Church Calls All Knitters The West Kingsdown Corona Quilt

Please contribute a square to our West Kingsdown Corona Quilt. If you would like to be part of this massive project, please knit a 5inch x 5inch square and decorate it to show a significant event/emotion/memory from the last year for yourself, your household or the country at large. The decoration could be knitted into the square or extra pieces knitted and sewn on or embroidered on with more wool. Please embroider your name on the back. Please bring your squares to St Edmund's church when we open again. Eventually we will meet in the Millennium Room to sew them all together prior to an exhibition.

Feel free to do more than one square if you have the inspiration but do not feel obliged to do so. We will be happy with quality over quantity.

Thank you for your help with what promises to be our most amazing project since the poppy extravaganza of 2018.

PS Please do not dispose of last year's knitted hedgehogs and rabbits. Their time will come.

A question from St Edmund's: Have you taken pictures during the last year?

West Kingsdown - Lockdown in Pictures

Do you have a picture that really represents the struggles we have all been through?

Or maybe the successes or laughter or pain? If you are willing to share your masterpiece, please e mail it to revsarahcorry@gmail.com with the subject as "Lockdown in Pictures". Please include your name and a caption for your picture if it needs one. When we are allowed, you will be invited to an exhibition of all our moments and emotions. Periodically, before then, some pictures will appear on the Millennium Room windows.

Advanced Notice

If all continues to go to plan in the roadmap out of COVID we intend holding a **scaled down Summer Fayre** on the Gamecock Meadow on **Saturday 31st July**. Please put the date in your diary. More details to follow.

Every Blessing Rev Sarah