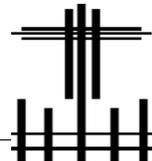


St. Edward The Confessor, Milton Keynes



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Passiontide

Passiontide begins today. In this last fortnight before Easter we remove or cover all signs of Christ's triumph. We also remove the votive candle stands. I suspect we cover the crucifix because, for a fair few hundred years it was always the risen, not the crucified Christ who was depicted.



Sign up

As always, I need considerable help with the Holy Week liturgies. Please sign up if you read, minister, carry heavy crosses...etc.

Lent devotions

Saturday 5.15pm: Way of the cross.

Sunday: 5-6.00pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Childrens' Easter craft

We invite you to join us on Sunday, between 10.30 and 12.30 for Easter crafts. Tickets cost £3, with 50p discount for siblings.

CAFOD

Thank you for your generosity last weekend. I sent off £320. 20p from the emergency appeal for East Africa.

Residence Mass

I'm celebrating Mass in the Residence next Tuesday. Please remember that it is only for the residents and family members.

Holy week & Easter

Please take a card from the foyer table. It has all the times for Holy Week and Easter.



Thank you

... to the small, but deeply dedicated, band of church cleaners, who gave St. Edward's its pre-bishop sprucing up last Saturday.

Your offering: March 26

1st: £322. 05

2nd: £104. 45

Thank you.

Weekend Masses: Sat. 6pm: Sun. 9.30am. Weekday Mass (in the chapel): Tuesday, 7.30pm. Wednesday to Friday: 9.30am. Reconciliation: Sat. 5.15-5.45pm and by appointment.

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Weekday Mass

There is no Mass here this week on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

Sheila's supreme soups

The last soup lunch for Lent is coming up on Friday: noon—1.30pm



Rome

We have a briefing meeting for participants and parents on

Sunday, May 14: 2pm

It is essential that you are there. You must bring your passport so that we can check the spelling of your name.

The flights are booked.
The accommodation is booked.
The meals are booked.

Note that we provide the insurance.



For your delectation & delight

Miscellaneous greeting cards and notelets are on sale in the foyer. A portion of the purchase price will be returned to St. Edward's for the re-furbishing of the kitchen.

Coming soon

Women's Business Network starts next Thursday and will meet on the first Thursday of every month. The first session will focus on social media, and how to use it to promote your organisation, club, hobby or business. For more information contact elisa.mccarthy@btinternet.com

Passover meal

Coming up on April 8. It's the ancient Jewish solemnity, kept by Jesus on Maundy Thursday, which forms the origin of the Mass.



Celebration

If you are one of the people who likes to know these things, so far I've recruited 30 teenagers for Celebration. Its now 32.



Mass of anointing

The Mass of Anointing, celebrated by Bishop Peter and six priests from Milton Keynes, was a most moving occasion. My thanks to those who worked in the background; those who provided refreshments and, of course, the altar servers, Ashley, Jason, Oliver, Paul

Wanna job?

An elderly lady who has left the area would like help sorting out a bungalow in Loughton. The work—which will be paid, mainly involves putting stuff in her car. She is looking at a couple of hours per session, and she is happy to let a sixth form student (or anyone else) do it. I have her phone number.

Shrine of St. Edward

This year's Westminster visit will be on October 14. Cost: around £25, and limited to 30 people. Please let Elisa know your interest so that she can tell the pilgrimage organisers. Deadline: May 1. elisa.mccarthy@btinternet.com