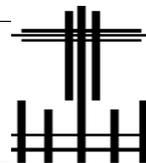


St. Edward The Confessor, Milton Keynes



January 7, 2018, Epiphany

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Going green

We normally leave the Christmas kit up until the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, a week after Epiphany. But a quirk of the calendar this year puts it on Monday, January 8. So, with regret, we need to do a quick change-over after the 9.30 Mass. The crib and the tree disappear. The altar curtain, altar cloth and the highly-skilled floral décor go into hiding. (And yes, the bin men came again this week. In fact they had their lunch in the car park)!

Events meeting

January 17 to look at events for 2018, at 7.30pm. Anyone else want to join the group?

Rome Reunion

We are hoping to see everyone who was in the group. Bring your family for a cost-free pizza & wine evening. And if you have lots of interesting photos bring them along too. Next Saturday, January 13.7.15pm



Soggy car park

Four corner drains in the car park are blocked. Anyone fancy having a go at them?

Latecomers

Please be here for the start of Mass. If you are late wait in the foyer until a break in the proceedings, come into the church and **sit only on the back row on the right**. Don't walk round the church looking for a seat. It disrupts the sacred liturgy.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

This Sunday evening, January 7. 5.00-6.00pm

Weekday Mass

There is none here on Wednesday and on Friday.

Visiting Priest

A missionary priest, Fr Donie O'Connor, will be here on January 19 & 20. Its not an appeal. He just wants to talk about the red APF (mission) boxes

Is it you?

Are you the phantom bidding prayer nicker? The copy of the Advent bidding prayers has disappeared twice from the lectern.

Altar Servers

We are running short of altar servers. I need females and males in school year 4 or older at both Masses, but especially on Saturday night.. Sign up on the notice-board.



Your offering: December 31

1st: £417.3

2nd: £89.29

Thank you

Weekend Masses: Sat. 6.pm: 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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Christmas raffle prizes

A number of prizes haven't been collected. If they are not claimed within the next two weeks we shall re-cycle them (especially the bottled ones).

Celebration '18

Invitations are currently going out for Celebration '18. I want them back by the start of half term – so do it soon.



All Mass-attenders from school year 6 to the end of 6th form are invited to our unique Bank Holiday weekend of religious discussion and games, now in its 41st year. If you didn't receive an invitation in the post stop me and ask for one.

Co-ordinators' meeting

There is a meeting of Co-ordinators coming up soon, and I take their comments very seriously.. If there are initiatives you want to see in the parish, have a word with them. Ideas must be sensible, with people around who can put them in place. Mass times, I'm afraid, are not up for discussion. Members at present are: Sheila Burn, Michelle Chum, Des Conway, Matthew Exley, Vijay Fernando, Mary Holland, Linda McComie, Cormac Marum, Berni Quinn,

~~Nurds~~ Nedz and Neddies

NEDZ (Year 7+) will be meeting on Friday, January 12, 7.30pm and on first Fridays from February in term time.

If you like NEDZ join EDZ (Year 6 +) on third Fridays. We meet on Friday January 19, 7.30pm and every third Friday of the month after that. Free entry, and snacks/nibbles available for purchase. Hope to see you there.

Daily Mass leaflets

Sorry—the print this time is a bit hit and miss. Michelle, who can diagnose most things, says there is a roller out of synch.

Sunday refreshments

May I appeal again for parishioners to volunteer to provide tea & coffee after Sunday Mass. It is a terrible comment on our parish when visitors see that there aren't any refreshments.