

A warm welcome from St Edmund's Parish Church

Sunday 18th May 2025 The fifth Sunday of Easter

*We extend a warm welcome to everyone who will worship with us
whether in church or at home.*

8am HOLY COMMUNION

Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and Peter Marles
is preaching.

10am PARISH COMMUNION

Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and Peter Marles
is preaching.

Junior church meets this morning.

This service will be available on-line.

6.30pm TAIZE SERVICE

Led by Terry Robson.

Our live streamed services are shared live on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/StEdsRoundhay>

You do not need a Facebook account to watch them.

Services this week

Wednesday 21st May

11am Mid-week Communion

Led by Revd Michelle Lepine

Thursday 22nd May

8.30am Morning Prayer

Services next Sunday

Sunday 25th May

The sixth Sunday of Easter

**8am Holy Communion, Book of
Common Prayer**

10am Parish Communion

**6.30pm Praise & Prayer Ecumenical
Service at St Edmund's**

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**COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH
SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Risen Christ,
your wounds declare your love
for the world and the wonder of
your risen life:
give us compassion and courage
to risk ourselves for those we
serve, to the glory of God the
Father.**

Amen

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 11:1-18

**Peter's Report to the Church at
Jerusalem**

¹ Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ² So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticised him, ³ saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' ⁴ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵ 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶ As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷ I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up,

Peter; kill and eat." ⁸ But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." ⁹ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." ¹⁰ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹ At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹² The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³ He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴ he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved." ¹⁵ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptised with water, but you will be baptised with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁷ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' ¹⁸ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

GOSPEL READING

John 13:31-35 The New Commandment

³¹ When he had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³² If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³ Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." ³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have asked for prayer:

*Evelyn, Marilyn, Eva & Lucy;
Joyce, Stephen, Wendy, Aggie,
Maureen, Terry, Sarah and
Jocelyn.*

The departed and their families, among them Jane Leach.

Andy, our CMS mission partner in Brazil, and his family.

*Andi & Kati's latest letter from
Brazil will be found here:
[Andy & Kati](#)*

Save the date: WORSHIP WILD Sunday 1st June at 4pm

A relaxed 45-minute outdoor service for all ages in the Church Garden which will include music and prayer, and a chance to move around the outdoor space to choose other activities for worship such as mindfulness, crafts and some practical eco-action.

The service will be followed by eating a light tea together afterwards. As Christians we are called to care for the environment and safeguard creation. June 5th is World Environment Day with a focus on ending plastic pollution and we want to play our part.

Friends and families welcome!

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Volunteers needed for the Worship Wild service:

Could you help with set up, food and activities?

Could you donate craft resources?

We need recycled plastic bottles, particularly round-shaped ones, and white milk bottle tops.

Do you have litter pickers we could borrow?

Please see Michelle for details or if you can help.

NEWS AND NOTICES

OUR ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING will take place **this Sunday, 18th May at 11.45am.** Nomination forms for churchwardens, PCC members and Deanery Synod members are now at the back of church; it is not too late to consider whether you are being called to serve in one of these roles.

THE MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets on **26th May at the back of Church from 10:30 till 12.** We start with a chat and coffee, with the main meeting starting at 11. We will be looking at the following Sunday's readings, Acts 16:16-34 & John 17:20-35. Do come along or speak to Penny Gray.

WORLD VILLAGES FOR CHILDREN public meeting at **St Edmund's Church on Friday 30th May at 1pm.** World Villages for Children is a charity which funds schools for some of the poorest and most deprived children across the world, believing that education is the key to ending poverty. This meeting is for local supporters, but is open to anyone who wishes to learn more about the charity's remarkable work. Please feel free to contact Geoff Barker on 07742 644452 for more information.

A REGULAR LUNCH CLUB FOR SENIORS is run by St Edmund's every **Tuesday from 11am to 1pm.** We start with an activity (eg a talk, a quiz, gentle exercise) and provide lunch. A suggested voluntary contribution of £3 is welcomed to cover costs. Lifts may be arranged. A warm welcome is guaranteed. Contact Amanda Richardson at a.richardson.stedshub@gmail.com for more details.

FOSTER CARERS FORTNIGHT

12th – 25th May

Our Christian calling is to love all who are in need, just as God loves each of us. Join us on Sunday 25th May at 10am as we share in communion and hear about foster care in our local area. The 6.30pm evening ecumenical service will be an informal 45-minute Praise and Prayer gathering at St Ed's as we praise God for his love and compassion and pray together for vulnerable children, foster carers, local social services and other children, families and schools in our parish and community. *"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."* (Matthew 18.20)

MID-WEEK WALK on Tuesday 27th May, Pompacali, Hetchell Wood and a disused railway. 3¾ miles. Partly following Leeds Country Wayband partly along a disused railway. We meet in the church car park ready for a 9.30am start. Please contact Brian Livesey at b.livesey@ntlworld.com or telephone 293 7403 for further details.

TEA COSY+ Memory Cafe for those living with dementia will be on **Thursday 5th June 11-1.30** at The Highwood Building, Brackenwood Drive. A light lunch will be provided including hot drinks, homemade sandwiches and cakes. £3 per person. If you have a question to ask then please do contact Susie Broome on 2666476 or Gillian Mathie on 2888633.

"WELCOME TO ST ED'S" afternoon tea. If you are new to St Ed's, or not so new but feel you'd like to settle in a bit more, you are invited to afternoon tea at **4pm on Sunday 15th June.** Hosted by St Ed's house groups, it'll be at the back of church, look forward to seeing you there!