

NEWS AND NOTICES

THIS YEAR'S LENT COURSE is being hosted by St Andrew's and will run on Tuesday evenings at 7.30, starting this week, 24th February, for 5 weeks.

The title is *Journeys of Discipleship with Matthew's Gospel*. Readings are from Matthew and it looks at the people we meet throughout Jesus' life and Passion.

LITTLE SPARKS @ST ED'S runs every Thursday during term-time from 9.30 – 11.30am in church. There will be crafts, toys, stories & songs. The cost is just £3 per family for up to 3 children (additional children £1 each) and includes refreshments and snacks. Please come along if you have babies or toddlers. All are welcome!

ST ED'S YOUNG ADULTS GROUP. 18+ for young people in and around the Roundhay area at any stage of life (work/ uni etc). Meeting every Thursday, 7pm at Hesco Lounge, Street Lane. Please contact Isabelle Lepine on 07847622184.

MONTHLY COFFEE MORNING in church on Saturday 21st February between 10am and 12 noon. Lots of home made cakes, book sales and hopefully some fairly traded goods.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP for school years 11 to 13. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 24th February from 7 - 8.30pm in the church hall. There will be pizza! Please join us.

EXHIBITION OF ART & CRAFTS on Wednesday 25th February, 2 till 4pm, at Lidgett Park Methodist Hall by members of Royal Voluntary Services local groups. All are welcome.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets on 2nd March 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 Romans 5:1-11 and John 4:5-42.

TEA COSY+ Memory Cafe for those living with dementia will be on Thursday 5th March 11-1.30 at The Highwood Building, Brackenwood Drive. £3 per person. Please contact Susie Broome on 2666476 or Gillian Mathie on 2888633.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, "I will give you rest, come" on Friday 6th March at Lidgett Park at 10.30am. Other venues include Oakwood church at 3.15pm. For more information visit <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/prayers/>

THE JULIAN PRAYER MEETING, on Thursday 12th March at 2pm. For details, please contact Julie Meakin: jpmeakin@hotmail.co.uk or Terry Robson: terry1robson@icloud.com

TRANSCENDENT JOURNEY with the Phoenix Concert Band, in church on Saturday 14th March at 4pm. A fantastical musical journey through folklore, farytale and on-screen moments performed by a live wind orchestra. Adult £12, Student £10, children PAYF.

LEEDS HOSPITALS Memorial Walk on Saturday 14th March. There are options of a 4 or 10 mile walk along the Leeds Liverpool Canal. *More details are on a poster at the back of the church.*

YOUTH LOUNGE for school years 7 to 10, in the church hall on Sunday evening, 15th March from 7 till 8.30pm.

A warm welcome from St Edmund's Parish Church

Sunday 22nd February 2026 The first Sunday of Lent

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

8am HOLY COMMUNION, Book of Common Prayer
Revd Paul Tudge is presiding and preaching.

10am HOLY COMMUNION
Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and Revd Paul Tudge is preaching.

4pm FOUNDERS DAY SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING FOR ST EDMUND'S UNIFORMED GROUPS
Service led by Revd Michelle Lepine

The 10am service is streamed live on our Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/StEdsRoundhay>
You do not need a Facebook account to watch it.

Services this week
Wednesday 25th February
11am Holy Communion
Led by Revd Paul Tudge

Thursday 26th February
8.30am Morning Prayer

Services next Sunday
Sunday 1st March
The second Sunday of Lent
8am Holy Communion,
10am First Sunday All Together
Worship, followed by a
bring & share lunch.
6.30pm Taize Service

Visit the website or follow us on social media for more information and insights into life at St Ed's
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Instagram: [@StEdsRoundhay](https://www.instagram.com/StEdsRoundhay)

**COLLECT FOR THE FIRST
SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the
powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the
desert:**

**help us to use these days to
grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your
saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen

NEW TESTAMENT READING

**Romans 5:12-19
Adam and Christ**

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— ¹³ sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law.

¹⁴ Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of

God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. ¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgement following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. ¹⁷ If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. ¹⁹ For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 4:1-11
The Temptation of Jesus**

¹ Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. ³ The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command

these stones to become loaves of bread.' ⁴ But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."

⁷ Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

⁸ Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; ⁹ and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' ¹⁰ Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

"Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

***Those who have asked for prayer:*
*Doreen, Rachael, Andrea, Sarah
and Jocelyn.***

***The recently departed,*
*among them Maureen Williams.***

***Andy & Kati, our CMS mission
partners in Brazil.***

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

**Loss, Grief & Funeral planning
Saturday 21st March
10.30am – 12 noon
in the Church Hall**

Despite its name, this is a positive and hope-filled gathering for reflection and information.

Lent invites us to consider our purpose in life and our mortality. Do we shy away from talking about death, loss, and grief? This brief session is open to all and offers reflection on death from a Christian perspective, insight into how grief affects us and an opportunity for open and practical discussion on what a Christian funeral looks like and how to plan one.

Further 1-1 conversations with Revd Michelle will be possible after Easter.