

NEWS AND NOTICES

BLESSING THE BAGS will be part of our **First Sunday service on 6th September**. It is the start of the new academic year for many and, whatever your season in life, please bring along your school, work, volunteer or hobby bag to be blessed as we seek to glorify God in all that we do.

TETIANA AND LINA FROM UKRAINE, who have lived with the Tudges for nearly 4 years, are searching for 2 rooms in the Roundhay area. If you have two spare rooms talk to Paul or Rosie Tudge, 07999846664. (Homes for Ukraine are still offering “thank you money” to hosts.)

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets on **24th August 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, Romans 10:5-13 and Matthew 14:22-32.

TEA COSY+ Memory Cafe for those living with dementia will be on **Thursday 3rd September 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.

THE JULIAN PRAYER MEETING, on **Thursday 10th September at 2pm**. We are an ecumenical group following the traditions of Julian of Norwich, meeting for a guided short reflection and a time of contemplative prayer, followed by refreshments if you would like to stay on for that. Please contact Julie Meakin: jpmekin@hotmail.co.uk or Terry Robson: terry1robson@icloud.com

CHILDREN & YOUTH

LITTLE SPARKS @ST ED'S resumes on **Thursday 3rd September from 9.30 – 11.30am in church**. There will be crafts, toys, stories & songs. The cost is £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!*

JUNIOR CHURCH DATES

6 September, All Together Worship will be followed by games in the garden and welcome back pizza.

13 September, Junior Church meets

20 September, Family Communion

27 September, Junior Church meets

4 October, All Together Worship

11 October, Junior Church meets

18 October, Family Communion

There will be activities for children during All Together Worship and Family Communion services.

YOUTH LOUNGE

for school years 7 to 10,
meets in the church hall on Sunday evening, 20th September, 7 -8.30pm.

With games, crafts & activities, tuck shop, pizza & hot chocolate, table football, chats & discussions.

ST EDMUND'S YOUTH **for school years 11 to 13**

meets fortnightly during term time.
The next meeting will be on Thursday 3rd September from 7 - 8.30pm in the church hall. There will be pizza! Please join us. The following meetings will be on 17th September, 1st & 15th October.

A warm welcome from St Edmund's Parish Church

Sunday 23rd August 2026 The twelfth Sunday after Trinity

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

8am

HOLY COMMUNION

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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 26th August

11am Holy Communion,
Led by Revd Michelle Lepine.

Thursday 27th August

8.30am Morning Prayer

Services next Sunday **Sunday 30th August**

The thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am Holy Communion,
Book of Common Prayer

10am Café Church

6.30pm PRAY4, Parish Prayer Walk

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**COLLECT FOR THE
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER
TRINITY**

**God of constant mercy,
who sent your Son to save us:
remind us of your goodness,
increase your grace within us,
that our thankfulness may
grow,
through Jesus Christ our
Lord.**

Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

**Romans 5:1-11
Peace and hope**

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance;
⁴ perseverance, character; and

character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 9:1-8
Jesus forgives and heals a
paralysed man**

¹ Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. ² Some men brought to him a paralysed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, 'Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.'

³ At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, 'This fellow is blaspheming!'

⁴ Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, 'Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? ⁵ Which is easier: to say, "Your sins are forgiven," or to say, "Get up and walk"? ⁶ But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.' So he said to the paralysed man, 'Get up, take your mat and go home.' ⁷ Then the man got up and went home. ⁸ When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man.

CONFIRMATIONS

**on Sunday 13th September at 6pm
at St James' Church Manston.**

Candidates from across the Leeds diocese will be confirmed by Bishop Arun. Among them is Hayley from St Ed's. Hayley was baptised at St Ed's in February this year and has been preparing for confirmation with Michelle. Please do be praying for Hayley as she takes this important and exciting step in her faith journey. Everyone is welcome to attend the service in September.

If you are interested in baptism or confirmation in the future, please speak to Michelle (vicar) or Jo (Curate).

PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Those who have asked for prayer:
*Tom, Julie, Judi, Patric, Helen,
Roger, Carole, Rachael, Andrea,
Sarah and Jocelyn.***

**The recently departed,
*among them Tony Garbutt.***

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

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