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Sunday 15 March 2026 Yr A

There is no
Retiring Collection this
weekend.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

If you can help with the requests below, please get in touch with Deacon Sean so that this part of the planning for the Triduum can be completed.

Would **Ministers of Holy Communion** who expect to attend any of the main Easter Triduum liturgies please get in touch with Deacon Seán on **seanmurphy@rcaos.org.uk** so that we can ensure that we have sufficient Ministers to help with the distribution of Communion.

We also still need **readers** for these liturgies, Please contact Rosemary at **r.ekong@ucl.ac.uk** indicating which service you will be attending.

The liturgies will be:

Mass of the Lord's Supper, April 2, 8pm

Good Friday, April 3, 3pm

Easter Vigil, 4th April, 7:30pm

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Envelopes for the next financial year are now on the reading slope in the Narthex.

The small packs of envelopes are for those who give by standing order.

MOTHERS' DAY

This Sunday 15 March is Mothers' Day.

Do come along to the Parish Hall after 9:30 am Mass to enjoy some well deserved coffees, croissants and other treats



MISSIO BOXES

Please hand your red box to a steward for emptying. Emptied boxes will be returned to the reading slopes for collection.

CONFIRMATION GROUP—YOUNG ADULTS

First session Tuesday 24 March at 7.00 pm in the Presbytery.

If you are interested please get in touch with me.
Fr Andrew

ST PATRICK'S DAY

The shop has a selection of St Patrick's day cards, motifs, candles, children's badges and other fine things available.

Do drop into the shop to have a browse.

BIG LENT WALK

Clare McConkey, the pianist at our 9.30 Mass and also the leader of Rosie's choir, is taking part in CAFOD's 'Big Lent Walk', walking 200km over 40 days in solidarity with those who walk miles each day just to access safe water. Money raised through sponsorship will help to bring life-saving water to communities in places such as Peru and Ethiopia. If you would like to donate to this cause please do so on Clare's Justgiving page via the link below walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/clares-fundraising-page115 or **post** clearly marked envelopes with cash donations through the Office door.

LONDON MARATHON

Liam Allmark, a parishioner at St Edmund's and parent at St Mary's is running the London Marathon next month for the **Jesuit Refugee Service** (the UK's largest Catholic refugee charity).



You can find his sponsorship page here: www.justgiving.com/page/liam-allmark-2026
All funds raised will go towards food, housing and other essentials for refugees.

Being formed in the likeness of Christ, we strive to become a truly
Christ centred community, through humble witness, love,
compassion and communion.

ST EDMUND'S CHURCH, BECKENHAM

The parish finances for 2025 remained broadly stable, with total income for the year of £405,089, very similar to the previous year. The parish continues to depend largely on the generosity of parishioners, with donations and regular giving forming the largest part of our income, and we are very grateful for the continued support of the congregation.

While overall income remained steady, some other sources of revenue, including rental and investment income, were lower than in the previous year.

Total expenditure during the year 2025 was £406,051, reflecting increases in several areas, such as modest increases in staffing and clergy-related costs and particularly Diocesan costs. These increases placed some pressure on the parish finances during the year.

The Archdiocesan Levy is a regular financial contribution that each parish makes to the archdiocese for central services and structures. The pooled income supports the mission and administration of the Church throughout the whole region as well as the central Administration. Donations specifically for the building fund, or retiring collections for specific causes, however, are not leviable.

As a result, the parish recorded a small deficit of £963 in 2025, compared with a surplus in 2024. Despite this, the overall financial position of the parish remains stable.

We thank all parishioners and supporters of St Edmund's for their continued generosity, which enables the church to sustain its ministry and serve the local community.

John O'Sullivan (Treasurer)
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Summarised Profit and Loss - 2025

	2025	2024	VARIANCE	% VARIANCE
	£	£	£	%
Income				
Donations and Legacies	335,387	330,305	5,082	14.5%
Other Trading Activities	0	0	0	0.0%
Charitable Activities - Income	32,608	36,636	-4,028	-11.0%
Rent Received	29,322	32,430	-3,108	-25.4%
Investment Income	3,326	6,197	-2,871	-100.3%
Other Income	4,446		4,446	
Gross Profit	405,089	405,567	-479	-122.2%
Expenditure				
Fundraising Costs and Donations	-28,674	-35,454	6,780	29.4%
Clergy Costs	-53,070	-49,244	-3,826	-120.1%
Finance Costs	-3,650	-2,378	-1,272	-53.5%
Estate costs	-78,529	-81,460	2,931	45.9%
House and Church expenses	-30,281	-26,208	-4,073	-32.7%
Office Costs	-27,958	-22,629	-5,329	-581.1%
Payroll	-90,172	-86,705	-3,466	-4.0%
Diocesan Costs and Collections	-93,719	-57,720	-35,999	-109.5%
Total Expenditure	-406,051	-361,798	-44,253	-825.5%
Net Income/(Expenditure)	-963	43,769	-44,732	-947.7%

300 CLUB

A few weeks ago we let parishioners know that Isabel Blake-James who has run the 300 Club for over three years would be relinquishing her role at Easter. We asked for anyone interested in taking on this volunteer role to make contact with Fr Steve.

Unfortunately, so far no-one has been in touch. It would be a shame to let this club fold; it is a great fundraiser for the parish and brings excitement each month to the winners of the monthly draw. The work can be done entirely from home at any time of the day. Please if you are only a little bit interested get in touch with Fr Steve.

URGENT REQUEST FROM THE SVP

A family being helped by our SVP is in urgent need of two single beds with mattresses in good condition.

If anyone can help please contact:

beckenhamsvp@gmail.com

or call 07789 497 482 and leave a message, or send a text.

Thank you

VISITING SPEAKER THIS WEEKEND

Fr Steve has invited Peter Brierley to come to St Edmund's to speak about **Citizens UK**.

Citizens UK is made up of hundreds of member organisations that are committed to taking action together for social justice and the common good.

Peter will be speaking at all Masses this weekend (except the 5.30pm Mass).

MY DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS FOR EASTER

Booklets for daily reading for Eastertide are now in a basket at the back of the church.

We also have Infant and Junior editions which are designed to encourage children's interest and enjoyment of Easter.

Please take a copy and leave a donation of £1 in the wall box in the porch marked CTS.

SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Led by Bishop Paul Hendricks

I warmly invite you to join me on this year's SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 21st to 28th August 2026.

A pilgrimage is a great opportunity to refresh and renew our relationship with the Lord Jesus, with the help of Our Lady's prayers. I have also found it a blessing to be able to accompany and to be inspired by other pilgrims, some of whom are sick, elderly or disabled.

Details for booking travel and accommodation can be found at: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/>

We also ask pilgrims to complete a form with details, including medical requirements (if any) at <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join2026>

For more information, please contact
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A PRAYER FOR MOTHERS DAY

Holy Mary, Mother of God, teach me
patience and wisdom.

Keep my children from all danger and help
them to become worthy children of God.

Holy Family of Nazareth, be with us
every day.

Amen



MASSES

We pray for all our parishioners

Sun 15 March Fourth Sunday of Lent
6.00 pm VIGIL Delisa & Crescenzo Panetta RIP
8.00 am Dominic Geoghegan RIP
9.30 am Ints of Phil Lennon
2nd Scrutiny
11.00 am Pro populo
5.30 pm Zygmunt Sobolewski RIP

Mon 16 March Feria
9-9.45 am **Exposition**
10.00 am Anne Wakerley & Family
11.30 am Requiem for Patricia Keating

Tues 17 March St Patrick
9-9.45 am **Exposition**
10.00 am Ilean Curry RIP

Wed 18 March Feria
9-9.45 am **Exposition**
10.00 am Margaret Ziolek RIP
10.40 am Stations of the Cross

Thurs 19 March St Joseph
9-9.45 am **Exposition**
10.00 am Lucy Yong RIP (1st anniv)
6.00 pm CLAVER Adoration

Fri 20 March Feria
9-9.45 am **Rosary**
10.00 am Richard & Family
10.45 am **Exposition**
3.00 pm CLAVER Stations of the Cross
6.15 pm Stations of the Cross
7.00 pm Peter Perdoni RIP

Sat 21 March Feria
9-9.45 am **Exposition**
10.00 am Tony Duggan RIP
6.00 pm VIGIL Mary & Danny Loftus RIP

Sun 22 March Fifth Sunday of Lent
8.00 am Pro Populo
9.30 am Roy
11.00 am Carmel Cardiff (anniv)
5.30 pm Rance Millward RIP
3rd Scrutiny

RECONCILIATION

Confessions are every Saturday from
10.30 – 11.00 am and 5.00 – 5.55 pm.

The recently deceased: Angela Calder, Rose Elgar, Patricia Weal, John Dias, Patricia Keating, Bernie Smith, Albie Houghton.

Those whose anniversaries are at this time:
Elmer Fox, Anne Reilly, Carolina Phillips, Frances Plume, Mary Flood, Magdalena Thomas, Madeline Mann, Finola Butler, Margaret Durkin, Ann (Nancy) Simms, Eugenia Kedzierska, Dick Laker, Nancy Hargreaves, Vincenzina Grillo, Romano Erskine, Ann Haines, Dolores Leahy, Annette Virdee, Brenda Mary White.

Those recently in ill health: Chris Elgar, Catherine McLaughlin, Peter Anthony Jones, Henry Ginn, Margaret Mattison, Elias Tchamba, Paul Hixson, David Back, Beatrice Allegretti, Arlene Sinclair

And all those suffering with long term sickness.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation in the hall every Monday from 5.30-6.20 except 2nd Mondays.
Quiet Monday in the hall on second Mondays from 5.30 - 6.20 - see flyer in porch.

Please note the need to arrive promptly and respect the need for silence.

DIARY

March

16 Requiem for Patricia Keating at 11.30am
30 Requiem for Rose Elgar at 11.30 pm
31 Requiem for Patricia Weal at noon.

April

1 Children's Stations of the Cross 10.30am
6 Easter celebratory coffee after morning Mass, in the Hall

PATRICIA WEAL RIP

The family of Patricia Weal would be very happy to welcome old friends of their mother to her Requiem Mass in the church on Tuesday 31 March and immediately afterwards at the reception in the church hall.

MASS TIMES AT ST MARK'S, WEST WICKHAM

Weekdays

10.00 am daily (except Tuesday)
6.00 pm (Tuesday only)

Saturday

6.30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday Mass

8.00 am
10.00 am
11.30 am

Pray

Fast

Give