



PARISH NOTES

St. Edmund's Episcopal Church
Faith. Empowerment. Community.



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Church Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 9:00am-1:00pm – **Priest Office Hours:** Mon-Thu by Appointment

September 10, 2023

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join us! Children of all ages are welcome to join us for Sunday School weekly. **Sunday School begins at 10:30 am.** The Sunday School Room is **open at 10:25 am** to receive children. The main objective of the Sunday school is to share the word of God, as understood within the Episcopal Church in a nurturing, informal, and children friendly environment. Weekly lectionary sessions are presented for preschool to adolescent age children in small age-appropriate group sessions. We look forward to seeing and serving your children.

PUNCH ON THE PORCH

Please join us following the 10:30 service for *Punch on the Porch*, a time of fellowship and simple light refreshments on the front steps of the Church (weather permitting).

ST. EDMUND'S 101

SAVE THE DATE - Please join Fr. Alan and lay leaders of the parish on next Sunday, **September 17** following the 10:30 service for general orientation to the who, what, and where of life, mission, and ministries at St. Edmund's. While this class is particular geared for new members and individuals considering joining the church, all are welcome.

SUMMER BOOK STUDY

Our next and final session discussing **the Rev. Sam Wells' new book, *Finding Abundance in Scarcity: Steps Towards Church Transformation*** is **Monday, Sept. 11th** at 7pm. We will be discussing chapters 10-Epilogue. Individuals are invited and welcome to attend even if they were not able to join us for the earlier sessions.. We meet via Zoom using the same login in as for Sunday worship (Meeting ID: 515 723 8420 Password: 6105). This promises to be a timely and informative study as we move through our own season of reimagination and redevelopment.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee is seeking new volunteers. This ministry is responsible for the maintenance, repair, and improvement of all parish property and grounds. The committee meets monthly to report on the status of projects and identify and plan for required maintenance and improvements. If you are interested email us at admin@stedmundschicago.org.

ACOLYTE MEETING

There will be an acolyte meeting **Saturday, September 16th** at 10:00am.

DIOCESAN CONVENTION

Diocesan Convention will be **Nov. 17-18**. This will be the first in-person convention since the pandemic. The keynote speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Jake Owensby, Bishop of Western Louisiana. St. Edmund's is entitled to send three lay delegates to Convention. We currently have two open positions. It is a great opportunity to meet and worship with Episcopalians from across the 120 parishes of the diocese. Please contact Andrea Flynn, Charlotte Mays, or Fr. Alan if you are interested in representing St. Edmund's at this annual event.

THE CROWN

The next edition of *The Crown* will be distributed by email, **September 14th**. Please submit articles or announcements by September 12 for inclusion in our bi-weekly newsletter. Contact Eve Earles at eve.earles1@gmail.com.

GARDENING DAY

Planting on the Porch Sunday, **October 1st after 10:30 service**. Fashion attire: Gardening Wear. Donate a plant or stay to help beautify our greenery in front and back gardens.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE

Part of the joy and wonder of God's creation are the pets who become much loved members of our families. On **Saturday, Oct 7, 10am**, we will gather on the Michigan Ave. steps (or inside if it is raining), for this brief service and blessing of the animals. You are encouraged to invite family members, friends, neighbors, colleagues – anyone who has a pet or loves animals to join us.

ST. EDMUND'S PRAYER LIST

ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF ST. EDMUND'S are welcome and invited to call or email the Church Office with the names of those you would like remembered in the prayers of our parish. We also appreciate your sharing with us any news you may have regarding the illness or hospitalization of one of our members. Thank you for the opportunity to remember those who are important to you to the God who loves us all.

Our prayer list has remained unchanged for some time now, even though some on the list have been restored to health or have had other changes. We would like to observe the discipline of having names on the list for one month, after which the names would need to be resubmitted in order to remain on the list. Please contact the church office with the names of persons that you would like to remain on St. Edmund's prayer list. Thank you.

We currently pray for: Patricia Castro, Margaret Davis, Denise Fleming, Tom, Shirley Jackson, Berrenda Lewis, James W. Linder, Nicholas Carl, Loretta Mann, Mark Martin, Sheila McKee, Dorothy Nisbeth, Julia Roy, Melvin Ryan, Paul Holmes, Mamie Kimbrough, Glenda Gwynn, Julia Roy, Karen Scott, and Clara Thorne.

ONLINE WORSHIP

If you can't join us in person, please join us online in real-time or whenever you are able to do so.

[Zoom Link](#)

Call in Number: (312) 626-6799

Meeting ID: 515 723 8420

Password: 6105

BIRTHDAYS

Please contact the church office if your birthday is in September and your name is not listed on the birthday calendar.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS ARE EXTENDED TO:



Dr. Philip Maskall 9/13
Sharon Jackson 9/15
Cynthia Reed 9/20
Dr. Roxanne Whitt 9/21
Louisa Narain 9/24
Ayanna Martinez 9/25
Mabel Flynn 9/30

The Calendar

Sunday	September, 10, 17, 24, 2023	Youth Sunday School	10:30 am
Sunday	September 10, 2023	St. Agatha's Guild	9:00 am
Sunday	September 10, 2023	Punch on the Porch	12:00 pm
Saturday	September 16, 2023	Acolyte Meeting	10:00 am
Wednesday	September 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm
Sunday	September 17, 2023	Executive Committee	9:00 am
Sunday	September 24, 2023	Community Engagement	12:00 pm
Tuesday	September 26, 2023	Vestry Meeting by Zoom	7:00 pm

VESTRY AND WARDENS OF ST. EDMUND'S

The Chairman of the Vestry, Fr. Alan James

The Wardens – Elected Annually

Andrea Flynn, Senior Warden and
Charlotte Mays, Junior Warden

The Clerk of The Vestry, Cheryl Harris

The Church Treasurer, Lisa Finch (Non-Vestry)

The Parish Administrative Assistant, Charmian Moore

Term End January 2024

Eve Earles
Mark Lewis
Charmian Moore
Cheryl Harris

Term End January 2025

Charisse Linder
Kevin Harper
Miriam Walton

Term End January 2026

Sherman Wright
Christy Vosburg

THIS WEEK'S MINISTERS

The Priest:

Fr. Alan James

Organist:

Richard Evans

The Lay Eucharistic Ministers:

8:00
Cheryl Harris
10:30
Roxanne Whitt

The Lector:

8:00
Michelle James
10:30
Robin Reeves

The Acolytes:

Aubrey Wallace
Raven Wallace
Morgan Whitt
Noah Whitt
Simone Whitt

DO YOU HAVE SOME NEWS TO SHARE? We will be issuing our electronic Sunday bulletin on Wednesdays so that members who don't have email addresses can receive the bulletin by mail and participate online on Sunday. To ensure that the bulletin is complete, we are asking that all pertinent information for the parish notes be submitted to the office by way of email no later than Tuesday of each week. Please email your news to Charmian Moore, Parish Administrative Assistant.

STAY IN TOUCH WITH ST. EDMUND'S. Please visit our website, www.stedmundschicago.org. Like our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/SaintEdmundsChicago> and Instagram, (st. edmunds.chicago).