

### Fostering Vocations

God is still seeking people who might like to become Godly Play storytellers. This involves attending an introductory session, having a go and then becoming accredited through a three day core training. Our churches need accredited Godly Play practitioners to develop this ministry especially with children and the elderly. Do talk to Trudie if you are interested.

### YMCA Derbyshire Jolly Jumper Campaign

Help us take part in the YM's annual Christmas 'Jolly Jumper' campaign, which sees businesses, schools, churches and community groups back their 'Safe Front Door at Christmas' campaign. Last year they raised a staggering £8,000, meaning that 209 meals were provided, 133 residents participated in social activities and extra support was provided at vital times.

What about coming along to London Road Hospital Carol Sing on Monday 18th December? Wear a festive jumper and donate £1 to participate, which goes towards providing support and Christmas meals for YMCA Derbyshire residents. YMCA staff will be taking part on 5th and 14th December.

**Wishing Everyone a Very Happy Christmas  
with many thanks for all of your help and  
support over the past year.**

**We look forward to a peaceful and blessed 2018**



**Serving  
Pride Park, Wilmorton,  
Allenton and  
Shelton Lock**

**St Osmund's and St Edmund's  
Friends in Christ**

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**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**Plus**

**Bumper Christmas and New Year Edition**

Today we welcome Elena Leigh Ann Marshall  
In Holy Baptism at 11.30am. at St. Osmund's

St Edmund's	St Osmund's
10.00am Parish Eucharist	10.00am Parish Eucharist
Communion Assistants Len	
Hymns	
NH&WS	HO&N
238	436
221	513
418	117
1	288
142	612

**Diary for this week**

*And prayer intentions*

St Edmund's	St Osmund's
<b>Monday</b>	
<i>Ascot Drive Industries</i>	
No Morning Prayer 9.30am, 11.30am, and 2.00pm. Allenton Primary School Christmas Service in church 2.00pm. Carol Singing at London Road Community Hospital 3.00pm. Godly Play at Shelton Lock Care Home	No Evening Prayer 6.00pm Girls' Brigade Carols by Candlelight in the church hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<i>Community Police Officers</i>	
No Morning Prayer 9.45am and 11.00am. Shelton Junior School Christmas Services in church	7.00pm Contemplative Eucharist
12.00pm. Benefice Christmas Dinner at the Coronation Pub (Steamin' Billies)	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<i>Derby Housing</i>	
<i>Aid</i>	
9.15am. Eucharist Followed by coffee at the Vicarage	10.30am. Eucharist Followed by coffee in the Church Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	
<i>Street Pastors</i>	
9.00am Morning Prayer	
<b>Friday</b>	
<i>Sunday School teachers</i>	

<b>Saturday</b>		
<i>Shelter</i>		
2.00pm. Christingle Making In the WER	7.00pm. Carols by Candlelight together with Brighton Road Pentecostal Church and the Derby Serenaders and followed by refreshments	
<b>ADVENT 4 CHRISTMAS EVE – 24<sup>th</sup> December</b>		
8.00AM. said Eucharist 4.00pm. Crib Service and Christingle 11.30pm. Midnight Mass	10.00am Sung Eucharist 6.00pm. Crib Service	
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY! 25th December</b>	<b>10.00am Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am Festal Eucharist</b>

	St Edmund's	St Osmund's
<b>BOXING DAY Tuesday 26th December</b> Rev Cath is on holiday this week	No Morning Prayer	No Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15am Eucharist Followed by coffee in the WER	10.30AM Eucharist followed by coffee in the Church Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	No Morning Prayer	
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		

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<b>NEW YEARS EVE CHRISTMAS 1</b>	<b>10.00am Sung Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am Sung Eucharist</b>
<b>NEW YEARS DAY 1ST January</b>	No Morning Prayer	No Evening Prayer
	Revs' Trudie and Stuart are on holiday this week	
<b>Tuesday</b>	No Morning Prayer	7.00pm Contemplative Eucharist
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15am Eucharist Followed by coffee in the WER	10.30am Eucharist followed by coffee in the Church Hall  No Evening Prayer
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>10.00-12.00 Coffee Morning</b>	
<b>FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY 7th January</b>	<b>10.00am Sung Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am Sung Eucharist</b>

	St Edmund's	St Osmund's
<b>Monday 8th January</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer	6.00pm Girls Brigade
	Trudie at a Bid Writing Workshop	

	St Edmund's	St Osmund's
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer	4.30pm Confirmation Preparation and rehearsal  6.00pm Messy Church planning  7.00pm Contemplative Eucharist
	2.00-4.00pm Mothers Union at St Osmund's	
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15am Eucharist Followed by coffee at the Vicarage	10.30AM Eucharist followed by coffee in the Church Hall  7.15pm Discipleship Team
<b>Thursday</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer  7.30pm Discipleship Team	<b>10.30-11.30am BIBLE BASICS</b>
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		<b>2.00-4.00pm Messy Church Team Review Meeting</b>
	<b>11.00-12.00 ACT (All Christians Together) group meets at Alvaston Baptist Church</b>	
<b>EPIPHANY 2 14th January</b>	<b>10.00am SUNG Eucharist</b>	<b>10.00am Sung Eucharist</b>

## Events and Information for your attention and prayers

### Baptisms

The next Baptism preparation is Monday 15th January at 6.00pm at St Edmund's Vicarage.

### Weddings

The annual Wedding Preparation for couples being married in our benefice is on Saturday 27th January at St Edmund's

### Girls' Brigade Carols by Candlelight

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6.30pm in Church Hall. **The Girls Christmas Party** is held beforehand and start with refreshments at 6.00pm. Anyone who would like to come will be most welcome. Entertainment and carol singing, aiming to finish by 7.30pm latest.

### Mothers Union

The speaker at our next meeting on Tues 9th January at st Osmund's will be Terry Nash on the topic of foster caring. All welcome.

### London Road Hospital Carol Singing

Our annual carol sing on the wards at London Rd is at 2.00pm on Monday 19th December. Please let Sandra Till know if you are singing.

### Christmas Services and Events in December

**Sunday 17th:** Carols by Candlelight service at St E at 6.00pm, followed by mulled wine and refreshments

**Monday 18th:** Allenton Primary Christmas services at St E 9.30, 11.00 and 2.00

**Monday 18th:** Carol Singing at London Road Hospital at 2.00pm. Please let Sandra T know if you are singing.

**Monday 18th:** St O Girls Brigade Carols by Candlelight at 6.00pm in the Church Hall

**Tuesday 19th:** Shelton Juniors Christmas Service at 10.30am at St E

**Tuesday 19th:** Benefice Christmas Dinner at the Coronation Pub, Alvaston at 12.00pm

**Saturday 23rd:** Christingle Making at St E at 2.00pm. The more the merrier!

**Saturday 23rd:** Carols by Candlelight at St O at 7.00pm with Brighton Road Pentecostal Church and Derby Serenaders. Followed by mulled wine and refreshments

### Advent 4, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day:

#### Sunday 24th:

8.00am Eucharist at St E

10.00am Eucharist at St O

4.00pm Crib Service and Christingle

6.00pm Crib Service at St O

11.30pm Midnight Mass at St E

#### Christmas Day:

10.00am Christmas Day Eucharist at St O

Please take a bundle of invitations from the back of church to distribute in your neighbourhood.

Who could you invite to one of our Christmas celebrations?

## Into the New Year!

### Discipleship Team and PCC Meetings

The next round of our cycle of meetings is as follows.

St O DT meets Wed 10 Jan at 7.15pm

St E DT meets Thurs 11th Jan at 7.30pm

St O PCC meets Wed 17th Jan at 7.15pm

(please note change of date due to Synod Plus meeting with Bishop Jan on Wed 24th)

St E meets Thurs 25th Jan at 8.30pm

### Consecration of St Osmund's Burial Ground, to be known as St Osmund's Garden of Remembrance

At 10.00am on 14th February: Ash Wednesday and St Valentine's Day, Bishop Jan is consecrating St Osmund's new burial ground. Following this ceremony the ashes of Derick Campbell will be interred. All are welcome to attend and will be followed by refreshments in the church hall.

## **The New Year brings New Opportunities!**

### **Confirmation Service**

At 7.00pm on Monday 15th January Bishop Jan will be conducting a Confirmation Service at St Osmund's Church. This will include baptism for adults. Please let Trudie, Cath or Stuart know if you are not yet baptised and/or confirmed.

### **Bible Basics**

People have been asking for some sessions on the Bible.

Bible Basics isn't about theology or deep study but fact finding about the Bible:

What it really is?      How it came to be?

How to use it? Why it is important?

Bible Basics begins on Thurs 11th January 10.30-11.30am at St O and Mon

22nd January 7.00-8.00pm at St E Vicarage.

This is for anyone with questions about the bible.

Is there someone you know who you could bring along?

### **Storytellers for Children**

Begins 12th January

Saturdays in St E West End Room

2.30-3.30pm

A time for children to share and reflect on bible stories

### **Storytellers for Adults**

Watch this space!

### **Everyone's Lent Book 2018**

This year we are following Mark's Gospel in our Sunday readings.

In order to mark the 40 days of Lent everyone is invited to take part in creating a Lent Book. Each day will have one or two verses, primarily from Mark's Gospel, to take us on a journey from Ash Wednesday to Easter.

Your part is to write a short reflection in response to the bible verses for one or more of the days.

You can tell a story, write from the perspective of one of the people or give your own thoughts about the verses.

Don't worry about getting your piece spelling and grammar perfect or that you have to use a computer. Trudie will edit and type up your words.

The finished booklet will have pictures for each day too.

If you have a picture that you would like included we can do that too!

Trudie will need your words by the end of January!

It would be great to give Bishop Jan a copy on Ash Wednesday!!!!

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## **Advent 3 Collect and Readings**

God for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist  
to prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth,  
to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right,  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11**

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,  
because the LORD has anointed me;  
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,  
to bind up the broken-hearted,  
to proclaim liberty to the captives,  
and release to the prisoners;  
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour,  
and the day of vengeance of our God;  
to comfort all who mourn;  
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—  
to give them a garland instead of ashes,  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.  
They will be called oaks of righteousness,  
the planting of the LORD, to display his glory.  
They shall build up the ancient ruins,  
they shall raise up the former devastations;  
they shall repair the ruined cities,  
the devastations of many generations.  
For I the LORD love justice,  
I hate robbery and wrongdoing;  
I will faithfully give them their recompense,  
and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.  
Their descendants shall be known among the nations,  
and their offspring among the peoples;  
all who see them shall acknowledge  
that they are a people whom the LORD has blessed.  
I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

### **1 Thessalonians 5. 18-24**

give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound\* and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

### **John 1. 6-8,19-28**

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah. And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord" ', as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah,\* nor Elijah, nor the prophet?' John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

## Advent 4, & Christmas Eve

St Edmund's	St Osmund's
8.00am Said Eucharist	10.00am Parish Eucharist
Hymns	
	HO&N
	125
	620
	612
	166
	565
4.00pm Crib Service and Christingle 11.30pm Midnight Mass	6.00pm Crib Service

### Collect and Readings

Eternal God,  
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son:  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord

### 2 Samuel 7.1-11,16

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, 'See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent.' Nathan said to the king, 'Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you.' But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the

LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure for ever before me; your throne shall be established for ever.

### Romans 16.25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever! Amen.

### Luke 1.26-38

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, 'Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you.' But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I am a virgin?' The angel said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God.' Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her.

## Christmas 1

St Edmund's	St Osmund's
8.00am Sung Eucharist	10.00am Sung Eucharist
Hymns	
NH&WS	HO&N
287	36
39	461
288	741
155	1
204	552

### Collect and Readings

God in Trinity,  
eternal unity of perfect love:  
gather the nations to be one family,  
and draw us in to your holy life  
through the birth of Emmanuel,  
our Lord Jesus Christ.

### Isaiah 61.10 - 62.3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.  
For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.

The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.  
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

### Galatians 4.4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman,  
born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that  
we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God  
has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you  
are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

### Luke 2.15-21

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to  
one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken  
place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and  
found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw  
this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who  
heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all  
these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned,  
glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been  
told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was  
called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the  
womb.