



East Dartford Benefice
St Edmund &
St Alban
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SUNDAY 12th January **The Baptism of Christ**

10.30am: Joint Service of Holy Communion with
Baptism @ St Alban's



Next Sunday: 19th January 2024

10.30am: Holy Communion at St Alban's
10.30am: Café church with Communion @ St
Edmund's

3pm: Holy Communion from the Book of
Common Prayer @ St Alban's

Diary

THIS COMING WEEK

Monday 13th January

10am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Tuesday 14th January

8.30-12noon Community Hub @ St Alban's

9:30am Kindness & Wellbeing Café @ St Edmund's

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Wednesday 15th January

8.30am Stepping Stones Toddler Group @ St Alban's.

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

7.00pm Scripture through Art on zoom - Epiphany

Thursday 16th January

9:30am Eucharist @ St Edmund's

10.00am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

12noon Over 60s lunch at St Edmund's followed by bingo

Friday 17th January

8.30am St Edz's Toddler Group @ St Edmund's

10am Drop-in Café @ St Edmund's

Saturday 18th January

10.30am PCC @ St Edmund's



Loving God

The poet wrote, 'home is the place where, when you go there, they have to take you in'. We pray for all those who have no place to call home; those without a safe and warm place to stay, those alone and with no one to turn to. We pray too for the work of Porchlight, for Crisis, and all those who give of their time and talents to protect those with nowhere to call home. And we thank you for the home we have in you. **Amen**

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Coming up (and apologies...)

Whoops...seems I had you stretching and balancing a couple of weeks before 'Steady, Strong and Able' actually return after their Christmas break. Sorry about that!

The toddler group at each of our two churches is up and running again. **Wednesday mornings @ St Albans and Friday mornings @ at St Edmund's**. And we also have St Alban's Community Hub every **Tuesday morning**. Please do support these community initiatives by telling people about them and, as the year progresses, maybe consider if you might be able to help in some small way.

You may or may not know that **our local councillors hold their surgeries in our two churches on a monthly basis**. On the first Saturday of each month, they are at St Edmund's between eleven and twelve, and, on the third Saturday, they are at St Alban's, also between eleven and twelve. It's a drop in session so no appointment is needed.

January is always a battle isn't it with the dark nights and colds and viruses. But fear not...we come to brighten your days. On **Saturday the 1st February at 6pm, @ St Alban's**, we are holding **a social evening**. So save the date – there will be a supper, a raffle and, hold the front page, a chance to provide our own entertainment. Maybe you could read a poem, sing a song, tell a joke. Save the date and have a think about what you (alone or with others) might do.

Next Sunday afternoon we are having a simple **Said Communion from the Book of Common Prayer – it's at 3pm @ St Alban's**. Do join us if you can.