

THE

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NOVEMBER 2020



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MAGAZINE

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WELCOME

to the online edition of this magazine.

In the current circumstances, we are publishing on our website so that you don't miss out on the regular monthly issue.

If you know someone who does not have internet access and would like a printed copy of this magazine, please contact Steve Castle at steven.castle@saintedmundschurch.org.uk giving their name and postal address (having first obtained their permission to supply this personal information).

There is no Letter from Fr. Michael in this issue; he is currently publishing a letter within St. Edmund's weekly Newsletter ("The Orbit"), which is now sent by e-mail and is available on our website.

If you would like to receive the Newsletter by e-mail you can subscribe by completing the form at <https://tinyurl.com/subscribe-orbit> or by visiting www.saintedmundschurch.org.uk and clicking the "Subscribe" link underneath "Weekly Newsletter".

The 10 am Sunday Eucharist is now celebrated with a congregation inside Church as well as online.

2-metre distancing in Church continues to mean that seating capacity is much reduced; it is allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Holy Communion is offered in one kind. Demand for places in Church will continue to be monitored and extra Services may be provided. The weekday Eucharists will continue to be available online only for the time being.

There are a number of conditions and guidelines that must be observed in attending the Services. The latest information on Services is available in the weekly St. Edmund's Newsletter - see above for how to access the Newsletter.

DECEMBER MAGAZINE



All contributions for the December Magazine to be with Jenny Jones by

Friday 13th November

020 8866 7173

**ST. EDMUND'S
WOMEN'S GUILD,
BADMINTON CLUB
and
SCOUT GROUP**

**meetings are all cancelled
until further notice**

**THE YOUTH GROUP
continues
each Wednesday at 7.30 pm
via video conference.
Contact Steve Castle
on 020 8868 0482
for more information.**

**SPECTRUM
ON
SUNDAY**

**Sunday School at
St. Edmund's Church**

**11:30am via video-conferencing
(during covid-19 restrictions)**

More information: 01923 825 434

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER 2020

1 SUN	ALL SAINTS' DAY 4.00 pm All Souls' Commemoration of the Faithful Departed
5 Thur	7.45 pm for 8.00 pm Pilgrim Course via Zoom
8 SUN	3rd SUNDAY before ADVENT; Remembrance Sunday 10.00 am Sung Eucharist with Act of Remembrance
12 Thur	7.45 pm for 8.00 pm Pilgrim Course via Zoom
15 SUN	2nd SUNDAY before ADVENT <i>The planned Classic Concert is cancelled</i> <i>No Concerts are currently planned for 2021</i>
19 Thur	7.45 pm for 8.00 pm Pilgrim Course via Zoom
20 FRI	St. EDMUND, KING OF THE EAST ANGLES, MARTYR 7.00 pm Patronal Festival Sung Eucharist <i>St. Edmund's Supper will not take place this year</i>
22 SUN	CHRIST THE KING; SUNDAY NEXT before ADVENT
29 SUN	1st SUNDAY of ADVENT
30 Mon	<i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i>

SUNDAY READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 2020		
1 st November	All Saints' Day	Revelation 7.9-end 1 John 3.1-3 Matthew 5.1-12
8 th November	3 rd Sunday before Advent Remembrance Sunday	Amos 5.18-24 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end Matthew 25.1-13
15 th November	2 nd Sunday before Advent	Zephaniah 1.7, 12-end 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11 Matthew 25.14-30
22 nd November	Christ the King Sunday next before Advent	Ezekiel 34.11-16, 20-24 Ephesians 1.15-end Matthew 25.31-end
29 th November	1 st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 64.1-9 1 Corinthians 1.3-9 Mark 13.24-end

Greetings! Autumn came almost exactly on cue in the week of the Equinox: after two boiling hot days the rains fell, and fell, and there was much more of a chill in the air. School was back, under complicated and often confusing regulations which naturally added more stress than usual to the proceedings. New Higher Education students were beginning to find that the university/college experience was not entirely what they'd hoped for - even if they were lucky enough to get their places after the exam-results fiasco. Unfortunately, growth in the numbers of young people infected by the virus was inevitable. At the time of writing we look set for another peak in the spread of the disease - even worse news for those with precarious or no employment, as well as the sick and vulnerable. We pray for those in all those categories, some of whom we know personally - and we hope for better things to come. Faith, hope and love are certainly things we need to pray for, and to generate, in these troubling days.

We are fortunate, though, that Christianity still gives us many reasons for joy: joy in those we love, joy in our Church and, of course, joy in the unending and abundant life God gives, and will continue to give. We see signs of this life both in the joyous renewal in the world of nature, and in human examples of enthusiasm, devotion, indomitable courage and lasting patience.

We have reasons to be joyful at St. Edmund's: the numbers of Sunday churchgoers have kept stable, with others keenly watching online all over the world. I myself was joyful to be able to preach again, and my friend Mitta in South Africa, tuning in to our service, was reminded of happy times when she'd attended St. Edmund's in the past. She *seemed* to enjoy the sermon (an opportunity to see me live, as Skyping isn't easy with two bad networks!) but I know she *LOVED* the music!

Talking of which, Mark's 'live' organ-playing continues to be another especial joy for us at St. Edmund's, and a particularly powerful experience when we're sitting near the back. 'Live' is right: the whole area around us vibrates with glory!

Moreover, we now have the joy of a new deacon: welcome, Reverend Helen! What a shame we couldn't give you a real St. Edmund's backing by being in St. Paul's for your ordination - but we're glad to have you, and hope you don't feel your 'stepped' arrival as too much of an anti-climax. We'll make it up to you, Helen! Thanks, too, for the Pilgrim course, which was a lovely thing to do so soon after your arrival.

So let's try to rejoice as much as we can - delighting in small things, like the cute, fat little robin sitting in my magnolia at the moment, who looks very peaceful and contented - while remembering those less fortunate than ourselves. The latter was the theme at our Harvest Festival all-age service, which in spite of the present limitations was an enjoyable celebration.

Our technical team displayed their usual expertise, projecting videos about food poverty and food banks as well as providing lively hymns, songs and anthems. Thanks to Fr. Michael for his thoughtful and challenging words, to Joash for his accomplished reading from Deuteronomy, and to Abigail and Joylene for their clear presentation of the intercessions. The church was decorated with a Harvest sheaf loaf and the congregation's grocery contributions. These, along with a healthy cash collection, were delivered to Watford New Hope Trust which does a great job in looking after the impoverished and homeless locally. It is salutary to remember that poverty is closer than we may think, especially now.

The following little poem may resonate with you: it gives expression to some of the struggles I've had communicating with the world during lockdown. The title refers to what actors call themselves when they're out of work, and the stage is, of course, a metaphor for the worlds in which each of us live and feel at home.

'RESTING'

I have no stage on which to act,
No audience to mirror me;
Half of my face is safely veiled
And so my smile you cannot see.

Yet I can sit and watch the scene
Of Nature's drama still unfold:
The vivid hues of autumn blooms,
The green that melds to red and gold -

And vibrant creatures scurrying through
Their lives: they fight, they mate, give birth,
Work their salvation out with fear -
And joy - upon their mother, earth.

And sometimes I survey a screen
Peopled with faces boxed in squares
And sometimes I can speak with them
Now that I'm used to frozen stares...

...Yet still I long for better times
When with my world I can engage
And join the unrolling drama, as
I take my place upon the stage.

And Olive Fairclough has contributed the following family news ...

After a few health problems which led to some feelings of despondency my spirits have been lifted by a stream of good news from my family.

If you have seen the film “The Building of St. Edmund’s” you may recall the baby being Christened by the Vicar, Reg Ames, Kay Fairclough, daughter of Olive and Bernard Fairclough. Fast forward to 2020. Kay, a Partner in a Solicitors in Oxford is married to Duncan who is Dean at Nottingham University. They have two sons and two daughters. The youngest, Madeleine, took a year out before going to Cambridge to go to Japan to teach skiing, and her letter home was printed in the March magazine. She had planned to tour Japan before returning home but sadly Covid-19 put an end to that and it was several weeks before she could fly back.

Meanwhile, Katherine’s six years reading medicine at Newcastle resulted in her taking the Hippocratic Oath on line and receiving her Certificate by post! No graduation ceremony or photos in cap and gown. She was sent to Newcastle Hospital to treat the sick and dying. Meanwhile Christopher took his finals on line, passed with flying colours and is now a qualified Vet. He also received his Certificate by post! Meanwhile, William passed his third year in medicine.

If there is any truth in the saying “Pride goes before a fall” I had better watch my step!



From the PCC Meeting of 8th October 2020

- The annual Memorial Service on the afternoon of Remembrance Sunday is to be combined with the All Souls’ Service, and will be held on the afternoon of All Saints’ Day, 1st November.
- Christmas Services are currently under discussion.
- The Jar of Grace funds will be donated to the Harrow Churches Bereavement Trust.
- The Christmas Bazaar will not take place this year, but the Grand Draw will go ahead.

WE WILL REMEMBER – 80 YEARS ON

- HOW WE COPE WITH AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE

Canon Paul Hardingham
Vicar of St Peter's, Halliwell, in Bolton

This year we've been remembering the Battle of Britain, described by Winston Churchill in August 1940 as *'one of the decisive battles of the war ... never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few.'* It was a dramatic turning point in the history of the Second World War. The occasions for Remembrance this month will provide us times of gratitude for what was achieved in the darkest moments of war.

However, this year we are very aware of our own struggles with the worldwide Covid-19 pandemic. We face an unseen enemy, but the effects on our lives and society are almost as devastating as world war.

Remembering is not just about focusing on past events. It is also about making present past events, as we give thanks for all that took place. The Battle of Britain was fought by the Few and won in the skies over the Channel. In our battle with the virus, we can call to mind the victory of Jesus: *'Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David.'* (2 Timothy 2:8). Jesus secured the victory of death by His cross and resurrection, so that we don't need to fear death, but trust in His loving purposes for our lives.

Currently we can't see clearly what the future holds for us; it may be very different from what we might expect. However, we can pray for God's will to be done and that we will play our part, just as each of those airmen did so many years ago.

'They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them.'

From www.parishpump.co.uk



A SHORT HISTORY OF THE PARISH OF ST. EDMUND'S

PART 10

Jenny Jones

1997

JANUARY Fr. Peter Vannozzi thanked everyone who had contributed to the purchase of the new English Hymnal books which came into use on 24th November 1996. They had been funded by congregational donations.

(23rd) The Minutes of the PCC meeting in November 1996 were published. It had been agreed that in future there will be a brief report of its business in the magazine, also that the Agenda for each meeting will be placed on the notice board two weeks before the next meeting, and the Minutes of each meeting will also be placed on the notice board.

The PCC had been informed that Norman Rogers will be Licensed as Reader.

The Clerk of Works had stated that floodlights would be erected in the Church car park and also over the Notice board. Arrow Players have offered to fund this project. *(The project was eventually abandoned, but lights on the exterior of the west wall were installed in 2005.)*

FEBRUARY (16th) The first Sunday in Lent; a new (St. Edmund's-tailored) service book for the Sunday Sung Eucharist was used for the first time. It contained just Rite B of the ASB (Alternative Service Book), which will be much easier to follow. The Bible Readings were now printed each week, and distributed with the Orbit.

(18th) The Lent course "The Way of the Cross" started

MARCH (23rd) The augmented Choir performed Stainer's Crucifixion.

(30th) Fr. Peter announced that he had accepted an invitation to become Vicar of St. Stephen's South Dulwich. Fr Nick Mercer, our Curate, will be in charge of Services during the interregnum.

JUNE (29th) Farewell to Fr. Peter. The church members gave him a Fax answering machine and a new fridge-freezer for his new vicarage.

AUGUST (26th-29th) The Spectrum 5 Holiday Club took place.

SEPTEMBER (11th) Fr. Reg Ames was welcomed back to conduct the Eucharist and the interment of the ashes of Anthony Hughes in the Garden of Remembrance. This was Fr. Reg's last visit to St. Edmund's.

OCTOBER The Churchwardens, Kalyani Menon and Derek Wilkins, announced that Fr. Bruce Driver had been appointed to be our new Vicar. He will take up his living early in the new year. We look forward to welcoming him, his wife Barbara and his three sons, Tom, Sam and William.

(11th) The Harrow Deanery Choirs Festival was held at St. Edmund's. Nora Wood, our choir mistress and our choir were hosts to a number of choirs and be-friended them after the service with tea organised by Maureen Austin.

NOVEMBER (30th) (1st Sunday of Advent) The Revised Common Lectionary started to be used for all Bible Readings.

1998

JANUARY (26th) The Induction and Installation of Reverend Bruce Driver. The Collation was conducted by the Bishop of Willesden, the Rt. Rev'd. Graham Dow. This part of the service incorporates the Declaration (affirming loyalty to the inheritance of faith) and the Oaths of Allegiance and Canonical Obedience. The Induction and Installation was conducted by The Archdeacon of Northolt, Ven. Peter Broadbent .

FEBRUARY (1st) Classic Concerts at St. Edmund's presented a Mozart Birthday celebration and in memory of Anthony Hughes, who was a faithful member of this congregation, a mid-week server, singer in the choir, part of the team of magazine editors and latterly the leader of the project to oversee the installation of the replacement organ.

(22nd) Farewell to Fr. Nick Mercer as he prepares to be licensed to become an Assistant Priest at St. Mary's, Bourne Street, on Mothering Sunday. The Churchwardens commented on the privilege that we have had to accompany him on his journey from Baptist Minister to become a priest in the Anglo-catholic tradition of the Church of England. The parish presented Fr. Nick with a cheque with which to buy bookcases, a Dictionary of the Christian Church, and the choir presented him with the Music editions of Hymns and Carols which are in use at St Edmund's.

MAY (16th) Scout Group AGM. Excellent news that the Scout troop will be able to re-open as Derek Biddle agreed to take over as Scout Leader. (The troop had had to close when the previous leader Richard Blann moved out of the area)

JULY (21st) The PCC agreed that the driveway in front of the West door should only be used for picking up and setting down elderly people when attending church or another function and that cars should be parked in the car-park.

AUGUST (25th -28th) The Spectrum 5 Holiday Club took place.

SEPTEMBER (1st) Paul Baguley, a Lay Reader at St. Alban's North Harrow, has been accepted for Ordination, and Fr. Bruce had agreed that he could have a placement at St. Edmund's under his supervision from 1st September - 31st October this year.

OCTOBER (24th) Members of the congregation, Fr. Bruce and Barbara went on a day Pilgrimage to Bury St. Edmunds. Many enjoyed a tour around the Cathedral followed by a Eucharist Service. The remainder of the day was available for exploration of the city.

NOVEMBER (20th) St. Edmund's Day Patronal Festival. The Preacher and Guest of Honour was Reverend N A Menon (Kalyani's brother)

(29th) It was decided that the December edition of the Church Magazine would be sent out to the whole parish as a Christmas Card.

DECEMBER (6th) The first Traidcraft Sale profits went to the producers.

SOME NOVEMBER CUSTOMS

Mike Godden

OTTERY ST. MARY TAR BARRELS. The Tar Barrel tradition is hundreds of years old. The exact origins are unknown but probably started after the gunpowder plot of 1605. Various alternative reasons suggested for burning barrels have included fumigation of cottages and as a warning of the approach of the Spanish Armada. The West Country has a history of torchlight processions and burning barrels; Ottery was only one of the many towns and villages following an annual tradition containing barrels which were rolled in the streets on 5th November each year. Somewhere along the line someone decided rolling was tame and carrying barrels on your shoulders was far more appealing and so the present tradition was born and now Ottery is the only town in the country carrying full sized lighted tar barrels through the streets.

TURNING THE DEVIL'S STONE. While others in the country on 5th November are marking gunpowder plot, the villagers of Shebbear in Devon are preparing to turn the Devil's Stone. The bell-ringers go to the church at about 8 pm, where they ring out a violently discordant peal of bells. That done, they make their way out of the church and, with the aid of crossbars, apply themselves to the task of turning the Shebbear, or Devil's Stone nearby. After this considerable exertion, they can rest from their labours, secure in the knowledge that Shebbear is safe from harm in the coming year. While it is not known for how long the practice of turning the stone has been going on, there is a wealth of legend surrounding it and as to how it arrived. The stone itself is about six feet long and is said to weigh a ton. It is not from a local rock formation and is, in fact, an erratic - that is, a stone from elsewhere, such as those deposited in the Ice Age. One theory is that it may have been an altar stone brought by a pagan cult, though there is no evidence for this. Another is that it was dropped by the Devil himself when he was cast out of heaven by St. Michael, hence the clamour of discordant bells to frighten him away. Finally, there is the theory that it was quarried as the foundation stone for Hanscott Church nearby and was moved to Shebbear by the Devil or some supernatural force, and that every time it was retrieved, it mysteriously turned up at Shebbear again, so was finally left there.

FIRING THE FENNY POPPERS. The Fenny Poppers are six tankard-shaped miniature cannon which are fired every 11th November (St. Martin's Day) in memory of Dr. Thomas Willis who died on this date; he was the grandfather of Browne Willis who built St. Martin's Church in Fenny Stratford, Buckinghamshire, and started the custom in the mid 18th century. The location of the event has varied over time; it was moved to the local park in recent years where there is plenty of room. A large brazier heats the long poker which is touched to gunpowder on each of the Poppers in turn - traditionally the first is lit by the incumbent of St. Martin's Church. The ceremony lasts just a few minutes and is exceedingly loud.

RYTON ON DUNSMORE WROTH SILVER. This is an ancient ceremony dating back hundreds of years in which the commoners of the Knightlow Hundred in Warwickshire pay their landlord for the right to drive cattle over his land. It takes place just before dawn at the remains of an old cross on Knightlow Hill: the Wroth Stone. The Dukes of Buccleuch have been the landowners here for many years and the Duke's agent reads the Charter of Assembly as soon as it is light enough; he then calls out the name of each parish in turn, the parish representative says "Wroth Silver!" and drops the due amount into the stone. After the ceremony the Wroth Silver Breakfast takes place in a nearby pub, currently the Queen's Head at Bretford.

SOUTHWOLD STICKY BUNS. Every year on 20th November, primary school children in Southwold, Suffolk enjoy a special treat to celebrate St. Edmund's Day. They leave their classrooms and make their way to St. Edmund's Church in the town where they all receive a sticky bun. It's part of an ancient tradition that died out after the Second World War but was revived in 1988. The children are taught about the life and martyrdom of St. Edmund, former King of the East Angles.

STICKLEPATH FINCH FOUNDRY ST CLEMENT'S DAY. Finch Foundry at Sticklepath, near Okehampton in Devon, owned by the National Trust, is the last working water-powered forge in England. It uses water from the River Taw to power its machinery. Every year on a Saturday near to St. Clement's Day, 23rd November, blacksmiths from around the country converge on the forge to demonstrate their skills, as St Clement is the patron Saint of blacksmiths. All through the day there will be demonstrations of the smiths' art and competitions between the craftsmen; part of the tradition is the hourly firing of the anvil, in which black powder is detonated on the anvil to test its strength.

CITY OF LONDON SILENT CEREMONY. This is the centuries-old ritual during which each newly-elected Lord Mayor of the City of London (the title used since 2006) is confirmed to office. It takes place at the Guildhall on the day before the Lord Mayor's Show, which is usually held on the 2nd Saturday in November. It is conducted in silence, except for when the incoming Lord Mayor swears the Oath of Office. The various symbols and regalia of office - the seal, the badges, the purse, the sword and the mace, the tricorne hat - are transferred from the outgoing Lord Mayor to the incoming. The final act of the ritual takes place at the end of the parade of the Lord Mayor's Show, in rather less silent ceremony, as the new Lord Mayor arrives at the Royal Courts of Justice, where he swears the Oath of Allegiance to the Sovereign in the presence of the Justices of the High Court.



Lord, Guide Us

Please Note - for obvious reasons, most of these customs are not taking place this year.

HYMN OF THE MONTH

Mike Godden

Bishop Timothy Dudley-Smith's hymn "Tell Out My Soul" is possibly his most well-know and popular hymn, but he has written well over 200 other hymns. One of these is "Thanks be to God" (publ. 1997), often used around the time of All Saints' Day.

Thanks be to God
for his saints of each past generation,
one with us still in one body,
 one great congregation;
 with them proclaim
 Jesus for ever the same,
Author of life and salvation.

Thanks be to God
for his blessings which daily surround us;
glory to Christ, the Redeemer
 who sought us and found us,
 who from the grave
 rose, the almighty to save,
breaking the fetters that bound us.

Thanks be to God
for the years that are yet in his keeping,
trusting each day to the care of
 a Father unsleeping,
 on to the end,
 Christ our companion and friend,
joy at the last for our weeping.

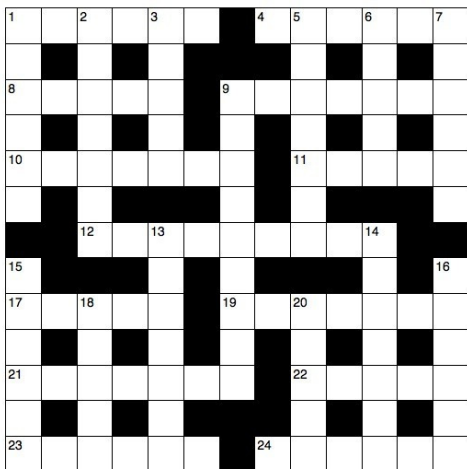
Thanks be to God
who has called us and daily defends us,
who with the Son and the Spirit
 unchanging befriends us;
 now in that name,
 Jesus for ever the same,
forth to his service he sends us.

Tim Dudley-Smith was born in Manchester on Boxing Day in 1926. He was educated at Tonbridge School and Pembroke College, Cambridge, then trained for the priesthood at Ridley Hall, Cambridge. He was ordained in 1950, since when he has held various posts in the Church of England, including Archdeacon of Norwich (1973-1981), and Bishop of Thetford in the Diocese of Norwich from 1981 until his retirement in 1992. Since then he has served as an Honorary Assistant Bishop at Salisbury Cathedral, and lives in the village of Ford, just outside Salisbury. He was awarded the OBE in 2003 in recognition of his hymn-writing.

The tune used for the hymn is sometimes called "Lobe den Herren" ("Praise the Lord") - after the hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" for which it has been used since the 1660s, when German hymn-writer Joachim Neander arranged it, but is also called "Hast du denn, Jesu". The origin of the tune is obscure, but was probably a German folk tune.



NOVEMBER CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. 'The Lord Jesus... took bread, and when He had given — , he broke it' (*1 Corinthians 11:24*) (6)
4. 'He has taken me to the banquet hall, and His — over me is love' (*Song of Songs 2:4*) (6)
8. Surrey town that hosts the National Christian Resources Exhibition (5)
9. Also known as Abednego (*Daniel 1:7*) (7)
10. Liken (*Isaiah 40:18*) (7)
11. A son of Etam, descendant of Judah (*1 Chronicles 4:3*) (5)
12. A part of the temple where the blood of a young bull was to be smeared (*Ezekiel 45:19*) (9)
17. 'They make many promises, take false — and make agreements' (*Hosea 10:4*) (5)
19. Roman province to which Paul returned after evangelising it on his first missionary journey (*Acts 16:6*) (7)
21. Material used to make baby Moses' basket (*Exodus 2:3*) (7)
22. 'And feeble as — , in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail' (5)
23. 'The watchman opens the gate for him, and the sheep — to his voice' (*John 10:3*) (6)

24. Stalk carrying the sponge of wine vinegar given to Christ on the cross (*John 19:29*) (6)

DOWN

1. Elijah dug one round the altar he built on Mount Carmel and filled it with water (*1 Kings 18:32*) (6)
2. 'I am not — of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of all who believe' (*Romans 1:16*) (7)
3. Buddhist term relating to belief in reincarnation (5)
5. Damascus disciple who, at God's command, restored the sight of the blinded Saul of Tarsus (*Acts 9:12*) (7)
6. and 16. Horses: their sound (*Jeremiah 50:11*) (5) and their gait (*Joel 2:4*) (6)
7. A three (anag.) (6)
9. Athenian council addressed memorably by Paul (*Acts 17:22*) (9)
13. Abide by (*Galatians 3:5*) (7)
14. Persian princes (*Daniel 3:2*) (7)
15. Force (*Galatians 6:12*) (6)
16. See 6 Down (6)
18. Paste (anag.) (5)
20. How the cedars of Lebanon are described (*Isaiah 2:13*) (5)



OCTOBER Crossword Solution

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*The Church of St. Edmund the King has been serving
the Parish of Northwood Hills since 1934.*

*The Parish is in the Harrow Deanery of
the Willesden Episcopal Area of the Diocese of London*



*Edmund was the devout young King of the East Angles,
martyred by the Danes for his allegiance to Christ
in the year 869 when he was 29 years old.
The crown and arrows of the church crest
symbolise his Kingship and Martyrdom.*

