



St. Edward's Church newsletter

OCTOBER 2016 – We give thanks for the bountiful riches the Lord has shared with us at the Harvest Festival Service. Please come on Saturday October 1st to help decorate the Church. Our famous Curry Supper is approaching, remember to reserve your place. Later this month we will welcome the Archdeacon of Switzerland, the Ven. Canon Adèle Kelham, as guest preacher at our annual Patronal Festival.

SERVICES

A Sung Eucharist is celebrated every Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
All denominations are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

Sunday School Lessons will take place on October 9th and 23rd

Mid-Week Service: Unless announced to the contrary, there will be a short service of Holy Communion (said) every Wednesday in the side chapel at 10:30 a.m. All Welcome.

EVENTS

OCTOBER

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| Saturday 1 st | Decorating the church for Harvest Festival with the children |
| Sunday 2 nd | Harvest Festival Thanksgiving Service |
| Saturday 8 th | SACEP Seminar, Discipleship Training, Nyon. |
| Friday 14 th | Curry Supper in Casa Benson 7:15 p.m. |
| Sunday 16 th | St. Edward's Patronal Festival 10:30 a.m. |
| Sunday 30 th | All Saints' – Family Service |
| Sunday 30 th | <i>End of Summertime – clocks go backward 1 hour</i> |

NOVEMBER

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| Sunday 13 th | Remembrance Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. |
| Sunday 20 th & 27 th | Christmas Market at Casa Benson |

Chaplain's Message



Dear Friends,

There are some great events happening in St Edward's during October, not least our ever-popular Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service on **2nd Oct.** I have no doubt our youngsters (and others) will once again create a wonderful setting for our worship and, as usual, all the harvest gifts you bring for blessing will be donated to charity.

Our Social Committee is again working hard behind the scenes organising another fabulous Curry Supper to be held in Casa Benson on **14th Oct.** As in previous years, I am sure this event will be well supported and that everyone who comes will enjoy a night of fine food, fun and fellowship.

Two days later it will be a joy to welcome the Archdeacon of Switzerland, Canon Adèle, as guest preacher at our annual Patronal Festival. The custom of having a patron saint (in our case, St Edward, of course) can be traced to the practice of building churches over the tombs of martyrs and saints. On the lighter side, one could also say that a feast of title is a church community's birthday. Everyone who truly loves and values St Edward's should be in church on **16th October** to offer prayerful thanks to God for the many, many faithful people who, for well over a century, worked tirelessly to keep the Anglican witness alive in Lugano. Without their untiring commitment and dedication none of us would be here today!

Please do your utmost to support these important events, further details of which you will find elsewhere in this issue.

With every good wish and blessing,
 Fr Nigel

Harvest Festival Family Service



Saturday 1st Oct. – Decorating
10.30 – noon
We celebrate God's bounty by decorating the church

Sunday School teachers will be on hand to help the children. We need lots of helpers and colourful autumn pumpkins to decorate the church, so come along and join in the fun!

Sunday 2nd October - Church Family Service – 10:30 a.m.
 The children celebrate God's generosity this harvest season with gifts of dried goods.

Food donations which will later go to a charitable cause, can be dropped off with fruit & foliage on the church steps.

Further info: Lucy Bernasconi
Lkrb@hotmail.com

Patronal Festival



Sunday 16th October

Sung Eucharist together with Guest Preacher
The Ven. Canon Adèle Kelham

We are delighted to welcome our Archdeacon this Sunday as we celebrate the Feast of St. Edward the Confessor, in whose name our church is dedicated. Canon Adèle will be preaching the sermon at this Sung Eucharist ... we welcome you all to come along and greet her.

All Saints' Family Service

Sunday 30th October

Our Sunday School children will be helping us to celebrate this special feast as we follow in the footsteps of Saints, past and present.



St. Edward's Curry Supper

Friday 14th October
7:15 p.m. Casa Benson

Do come and join us for an evening of
spicy dishes, fragrant rice
and warm company!

Cost: CHF 40
The meal includes wine & dessert

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by Monday 10th October

Telephone enquiries after 5th Oct.
Linda Denkinger 091 605 35 76

Spaces are limited, so please make
your reservation early
Payment at the door

Proceeds in aid of St. Edward's Anglican Church

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Father Nigel



Fr Nigel enjoyed a special birthday celebration on 10th September in his new home, the recently renovated chaplain's apartment in Casa Benson. Our photo tells the story of a relaxed, fun-filled evening enjoyed by over 45 parishioners. For many it was their first visit 'upstairs' and the large reception room, library and garden proved to be ideal entertainment spaces for such chaplaincy events. Many who came said how pleased they were to have been given this opportunity to see for themselves the impressive transformation. Our longstanding vision became a work-in-progress 10 years ago, thanks to an exceptionally generous donation. And now in 2016 we have become "a light on the hill" as St Edward's and its resident priest welcome all who pass by.

SUNDAY SCHOOL (During the scholastic year)

In term time Sunday School lessons usually take place on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month during the 10:30 morning Eucharistic Service. **Please see Front Page for Sunday School dates.** All children from the age of 3 are very welcome to join **Pebbles** for our youngest members, or **Rocks** for those with more reading ability. Children are encouraged to participate in the monthly Family Service. For further info contact: Diana dellacqua.ticino@gmail.com

TODDLERS CORNER

Welcome bags are available at the back of the church for the youngest children to enjoy quietly during the Service.

SOUL CAFÉ

A welcoming place to meet together for friendship, fellowship, advice and support, in the relaxed atmosphere of Casa Benson. Open the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
October 6th and 20th
November 3rd and 17th
For further information please contact Linda 091 605 3576

NEWS SUBMISSION

Copy for the November edition is due 14th October. Email to emily.lingeri@bluewin.ch

CHRISTMAS ORDERS

Annual Christmas Market Sunday 20th & 27th November

The Christmas Market is quickly approaching and now is the time to submit your requests.

Order forms with the list of various homemade Christmas cakes, puddings, marmalades and chutneys will be available in early October. You can also find and download a form from our website www.stedwards.ch

Please place your orders for cakes or puddings with special shapes and sizes:

By October 14th **Patty Pellegrini**
pattypellegrini@hotmail.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS



September at St. Edward's started with a flourish. Our Sunday School children led the Family Service with a Bible enactment, the teachers were commissioned and Fr. Nigel handed out Smarties to everyone! Our theme ... Hospitality and Fellowship, which continued in the afternoon with a picnic and sponsored "Eye-Spy Walk-Along" that has raised well over CHF 1,300 for our brothers and sisters at the E.I.C. orphanage in Karachi. Thank you for your generosity!

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PARKING is available during every Sunday morning Service inside the parking garage of the ProCrea Clinic next door to the church.

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