ST. EDMUND THE MARTYR EPISCOPAL CHURCH

CONGREGATION NEWS & NOTICES

JANUARY 2026

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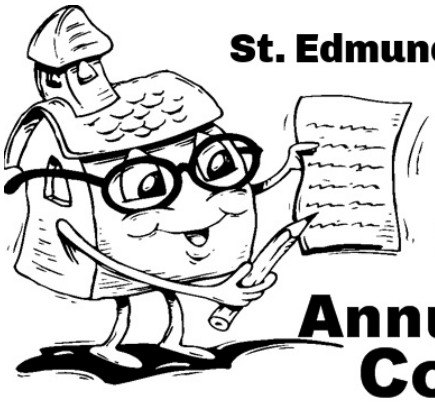
SCHEDULE: Sunday Eucharist 9:00 am (followed by fellowship time)



St. Edmund Episcopal Church

Sunday, January 25, 2026

following the 9:00 Eucharist

Annual Congregational Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 6:00 PM

St. Edmund's Episcopal Church Arcadia, FL

MEN'S GROUP

DINNER AT SLIM'S BBQ RESTAURANT

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Senior Warden: Bob Baumann

Junior Warden: Sandy Stantz

Vestry: Michael Pooser, Dolly Faul. Don Reichert

Vestry Clerk: Shelly Baumann

Treasurer: Robert Vaughn

Altar Guild: Wendy Carter

Daughters of the King: Ruth Adams

Episcopal Church Women
Carolyn Robins

Music Coordinator: Pearl Kiellman

Another calendar year gone, but a new church year has just begun, Happy Epiphany. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's, our Christmas Eve service and reception is always so special and a true tradition. Shelly and I thank everyone who came out on New Year's Day to our open house and helped us celebrate the start of 2026, it was great to share the afternoon with all of you. Our annual pledge drive has come to a close but if you somehow missed getting your pledge card in you are encouraged to drop it in the collection plate Sunday or give it directly to Robert Vaughn who is doing a wonderful job as both our Deacon and Treasurer/Office manager. Your pledge allows us to better estimate our annual budget needs and requirements and we thank you for your continued dedication to the church.

I want to thank Shawn Bryan for heading up the Pancake breakfast for the congregation last Sunday, a family issue has them leaving this week so this was his only opportunity to give our new kitchen a try and I know everyone appreciated his chef skills along with those who lent a hand in making it happen. Thank you all. The sign-up sheet is in the kitchen for anyone wishing to provide snacks on Sundays during the coffee hour. It can be as simple as picking up some donuts or you can make something and bring it in to share. I want to give a big shout out to Jan Lewis, Wendy Carter and Pat Novean for doing a fantastic job with organizing the coffee hour and cleaning up after. Thank you, ladies for your dedication and commitment, it is much appreciated.

Be sure to stay after service on January 25th for our annual Parish Meeting, you'll hear all about our plans for the upcoming year as well as a recap of last year from various church groups and we'll vote a new person onto the Vestry. You'll want to be sure to pray for them, just kidding, we have a great group that makes the work of doing the churches business as pain free as possible. We are indeed blessed to have the leadership of both Fr. Jim and Deacon Robert to continue the 132 year tradition of our little church.

See you in church or on line,

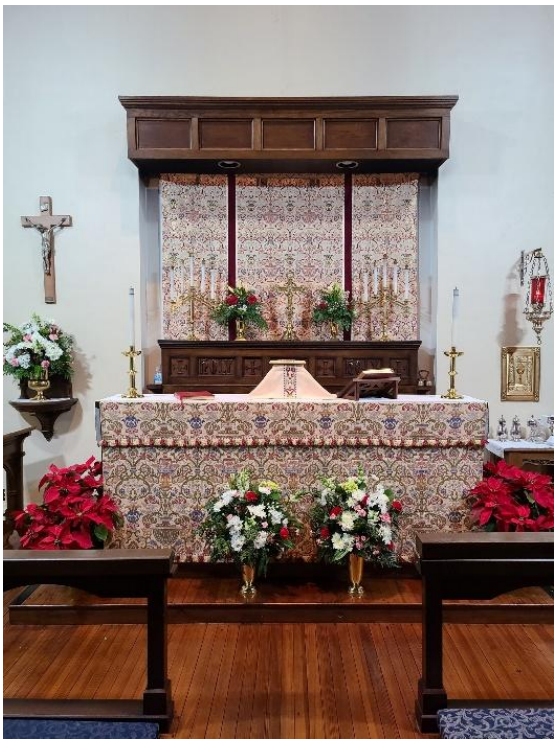
Bob Baumann, Senior Warden

ECW
Episcopal Church Women:
United in Fellowship and Service

The next meeting of the ECW will be on January 18 after the Church Service. We will be starting our Easter Basket candy and toy collection. There is a bin at the back of the church for your donations; please remember candy without nuts and individually wrapped.

Carolyn Robins, ECW President

ECW Christmas Toy Collection for Foster Children



Christmas 2025

Men’s Group provided pancakes for coffee/fellowship time on January 4th