## ST. EDMUND THE MARTYR EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# CONGREGATION NEWS & NOTICES

**SEPTEMBER 2025**

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

**Wednesday, September 10, 5:00 pm – Carry In Dinner & Games**

**Wednesday, September 24, 5:00 pm – Carry In Dinner & Program**

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Wow, can it be summer is almost over, where does the time go. September means we start getting back to our regular routine at church again, The Vestry will meet on Wednesday, September 17th at 4 in the Parish Hall after a summer break. Convocation for our delegates to the upcoming convention is this Thursday in Osprey and next month is the annual Diocesan convention in Punta Gorda. This year's delegates are myself and Sandy Stantz, with Ruth Adams as our alternate. The summer here was very active with the completion of our renovations and the first use of our new kitchen for Wednesday dinners and my big 65th Birthday Party. Thank you to all who came out to help me celebrate, it was a fun night.

Fr. Jim kept us entertained in the Parish Hall on several Wednesday evenings during the summer as we enjoyed great food and some fun and games as we awaited the return of our wonderful seasonal members and those who vacationed. We have much to look forward to this Fall and Winter and hope you will all be a part of it.

See you in church or on line!

Bob Baumann
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**Junior Warden**

**Treasurer:** Robert Vaughn

**Vestry**: Michael Pooser, Dolly Faul. Don Reichert, Sandy Stanz

Vestry Clerk: Shelly Baumann

**Altar Guild:** Wendy Carter

**Daughters of the King:** Ruth Adams

**Episcopal Church Women**
Carolyn Robins

**Music Coordinator:** Pearl Kiellman

ECW
Episcopal Church Women:
*United in Fellowship and Service*

The first meeting of the ECW for the fall season will be on September 21st after the service in the Parish Hall . We will be discussing plans for activities and outreach for the upcoming months.

Carolyn Robins, ECW President

Ministry FOCUS
"Getting To Know Each Other"

Ruth Adams is one of St. Edmund Church's dedicated congregation members. She serves in the choir, as president of the Daughters of the King chapter, and is the alternate delegate to Diocesan Convention. Ruth is a lifelong Episcopalian; she was baptized at St. Stephen Church in Riverside NJ and confirmed at St. Mark Church in Burlington NJ as a child. She and her husband, John, came to St. Edmund Church in 1989.

The Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) is a spiritual sisterhood within the Episcopal Church for women who commit to a lifetime of Prayer, Service, and Evangelism. Members follow a "Rule of Life," including prayer and service with the goal of strengthening their spiritual commitment. Ruth joined the DOK while a member of St. Mark Church, Palatka FL, and led the establishment of DOK chapter while a member of St. Peter Church, Fernandina Beach, FL. In 2006, she led the establishment of the DOK chapter at St. Edmund Church.

Ruth married John Adams in 1959 and they were married for 61 years. They moved to Florida in 1978 and located in Ft. Ogden in 1989, where they owned a store on Highway 17; John worked primarily in agricultural sales. Some remember that John would enhance the music at St. Edmund with his trumpet playing; he died in 2020. They have three children and five grandchildren Granddaughter Stephanie lives with Ruth in her Peace River Shores home. Prior to retirement, Ruth worked for 23 years in nursing administration at the Charlotte County Health Department.

Thank you, Ruth, for your ministry at St. Edmund Church.

"My soul magnifies the Lord and my Spirit rejoices in God my Savior"

(Luke 1:46-47)

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES September 2025**

| DATE | LEM | LECTOR | PRAYERS | GREETER |
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| **Sept 7** | Ed Dussault | Carolyn Robins | Rosemary Seal | Dolly Faul |
| **Sept 14** | Wendy Carter | Pat Moore | Pat Novean | Pat Novean |
| **Sept 21** | Pat Moore | Bob Euerle | Nancy Jo Vaughn | Michael Pooser |
| **Sept 28** | Ed Dussault | Sylvia Clay | Pat Moore | Pat Novean |

## ALTAR FLOWERS SPONSORS

September 07 – Mary Ann Starrett (Thanksgiving for granddaughter Daisy)

September 14 – Robert Vaughn (Thanksgiving for the Holy Cross Brothers & Priests on Holy Cross Day)

September 21 – Pat Novean (Memory of Dennis Novean)

September 28 – Donna & Bob Euerle (Thanksgiving for 60th wedding anniversary)

## A Prayer for Labour Day

Lord our Heavenly Father, you who laboured six days and rested on the seventh, we thank you for this day of rest, and for those who still work this day.

We thank you for all who work honestly and diligently, and for those who seek work, or are underemployed. We pray for those who work many jobs and still cannot pay their bills.

We pray for pay equity, for livable wages, for fair labour laws. We pray for justice and jobs that honour Creation, and those that seek to prevent the destruction of our planet.

We pray for all who work in healthcare, in jobs that protect us, and for those who work to help those in need.

We pray that all who work may do so in safety, and that they would always return home in peace.

All this we ask to your glory in thy Son's name, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

*- by Matthew DS, "Yes We AngliCAN!"*