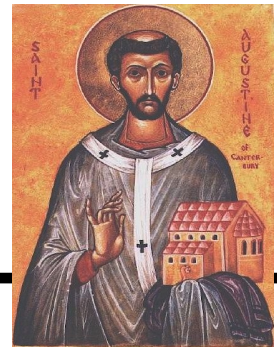




Anglican Catholic Church of St Augustine
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PARISH NEWS

Sunday: 11 am Sung Mass (1st Sunday: Healing Service) Holy Days: As Announced



**A Very Warm
WELCOME**

This Sunday is

**Trinity III (Comm:
Translation of St Edward)**

20th June 2021

The Propers of the
Mass begin on

Page 587 of the red
Book of Common Prayer
and **Page C59** of the
Anglican Missal



At the end of today's service
we conclude with the
Angelus (in the back of the
white **Mass Booklets**) in the
Lady Chapel.



**Please
Turn off Your
Mobile Phones**

Our Organ doesn't like them

Thank you

Dear Friends

Today, in our
Kalendar, in addition to celebrating
the Third Sunday
after Trinity, we commemorate the
Translation of the Relics of St
Edward. King and Martyr. But what do we
mean by this?

The **translation** of relics is the
removal of holy objects associated with a
Saint (or perhaps the Saint's remains
themselves) from one locality to another
(usually a higher-status location); usually
only the movement of the remains of the
saint's body would be treated so
formally, with secondary relics such as
items of clothing, treated with less
ceremony. Translations could be
accompanied by many acts, including
all-night vigils and processions, often
involving entire communities.

Often in the early Middle Ages
solemn translation marked the moment at
which, the saint's miracles having been
recognized, the relic was moved by a
bishop or abbot to a prominent position
within the church. Local veneration was
then permitted. This process is known
as *local canonization*.

The date of a translation of a saint's
relics was celebrated as a feast day in its
own right. For example, on 20th June is
celebrated the translation of the relics
of St. Edward, K&M, The most commonly
celebrated feast days, however, are the
dies natales, the day on which the
saint died, not the earthly- but the
heavenly birthday. In St Edward's case
this is 18th March.

St Edward the Martyr (circa 962 – 18
March 978) was King of England from
975 until he was murdered in 978. King
Edward by all accounts "a young man of
great devotion and excellent conduct. He
was good and of holy life. Moreover, he
loved God and the Church above all
things. He was generous to the poor, a
haven to the good, a champion of the
Faith of Christ, a vessel full of every
virtuous grace."

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However, Edward's short reign was
brought to an end by his murder at Corfe
Castle. Initially buried there, St Edwards
relics were translated first on 13th
February 981 to the great Abbey in
Shaftesbury. Then on 29th June 1001
St Edward's remains were moved to a
more prominent place in the abbey,
probably with the blessing of his
half-brother King Æthelred.

During the 16th century, under King
Henry VIII of England, monasteries were
dissolved and many holy places were
demolished, but St. Edward's remains
were hidden so as to avoid desecration.

The following is an interesting
commentary on these relics from an
Orthodox Church web site: "In 1931, the
relics were recovered by Wilson-Claridge;
their identity was confirmed by Dr. T.E.A.
Stowell, an osteologist. In 1970,
examinations performed on the relics
suggested that the young man had died in
the same manner as Edward. Wilson-
Claridge wanted the relics to go to
the Russian Orthodox Church Outside
Russia. His brother, however, wanted
them to be returned to Shaftesbury Abbey.
For decades, the relics were kept in a
bank vault in Woking, Surrey because of

June

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Sunday 20th

*Trinity III (Comm Trans. Of
St Edward, K.M.)*

11am Sung Mass

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Sunday 27th

Trinity IV

11am Sung Mass

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July

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Sunday 4th

Trinity V

11am Sung Mass

Followed by Healing Service

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Saturday 10th

X Diocesan Synod

11am Sung Mass

1.15pm Synod Meeting

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Sunday 11th

*Trinity VI (Comm Solemnity
of St Benedict)*

11am Sung Mass

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the unresolved dispute about which of two churches should have them. In time, the ROCOR was victorious and placed the relics in a church in Brookwood Cemetery in Woking, with the enshrinement ceremony occurring in September 1984. The St Edward Brotherhood of monks was organized there as well. The church is now named St Edward the Martyr Orthodox Church, and it is under the jurisdiction of a traditionalist Greek Orthodox community."

Throughout history relics have sometimes become pawns in religious and political games and dramas. Some of the abuses protested about during the Protestant Reformation surrounded relics, both the real and the clearly bogus.

We are indeed blessed and fortunate at St Augustine's to possess various relics. Chief, of course, is the Relic of the Veil of the Blessed Virgin Mary (which is kept in the reliquary under the statue of Our Lady at the back of Church). The High Altar Reliquaries house 1st Class Relics of St Agnes, St. Cornelius, St. Godelina (or Godelieve), St. Leocadia, St. Beggue, St. Anastasia, St. Anacletus, St. Simplicius. St



Donatus. The Church also possesses 2nd Class Relics of St. Therese of Lisieux and St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. All are authentically documented by the appropriate authorities for veneration by the faithful.

+ Damien

ADVANCE NOTICE

On Sunday 15th August, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, after the 11am Mass we plan on holding a Parish BBQ. Please RSVP if you wish to attend.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR ...

Fr Don & Di Walker, Chris Bosworth, Margaret and Laurence Mead, Paul Fletcher, Barbara Henderson, Todd, David and Sheila, Colin Rumens, Frederick Chadwick, Ann Chapman, Diane Young, Megan Young, Pauline Allison, Harrison and Edward Eckert, Margaret and Peter Martin, Margaret Bendelow, Dorothy Hipkiss, Fr Miles Maylor, Elizabeth Bell, Vickie Wall, Pat Johnson, Liz Bakker, Deb Stuck, Angela, Hazel, Vera and Karl, Millie Armstrong, Sarah and David Winterburn and their daughters Nicole and Corrina, Robert and Kathleen Dunford, All those effected by the Coronavirus.

For those who read these Parish Notes on the Notice Board outside and all who receive email or paper copies.

- For our neighbours and the people of **Painters Forstal** and the surrounding countryside and villages, the **growth** of our **Church Family**.
- For **persecuted Christians** especially in Africa, Pakistan, the Middle East and China.

For those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- Diocese of Caribbean, Fr Jean Bien-Aime, Vicar General;
- St Alban the Martyr, Salford, Greater Manchester, Canon Charles Johnson, Parish Priest; Deacon Gustaf Stenström, Assistant Curate.;
- Farmers, fishermen and all involved in food production and distribution.

And we remember the recently departed: specially, Danny Rumens, Arthur Woolley, Priest and those whose anniversaries falls at this time

P: ✕ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord **R:** And let light perpetual shine upon them



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