

St Edward's Mottingham



St Edward's is a community-focused Church of England parish. Located in the centre of Mottingham Estate the church has always served the community, tackling poverty, isolation and disadvantage.

From the 1980s AgeUK had a Day Centre in the Church Hall. Community activities have since grown, now including:

- Mottingham Foodbank
- Advice centre and credit union collections
- Zumba Gold
- Martial arts
- Community fairs and more.



Boxing, Dance and film nights are funded by Big Local and working in partnership with StEP, St Ed's hosts community meals, youthwork and toddler groups.



Before Covid most activities were in the hall but increased need for space, partly driven by use of the hall as a vaccination centre, has led to activities in church too. This has also strengthened partnerships as flexibility has been needed in sharing the space!

More activities will return to St Ed's in September when vaccinations end but the need for space is also driving development of the church to create more facilities for community use.

This project will include local young people and more experienced mentors in MBLR funded training and skills work. The aim is to develop not only the buildings but also the people and community, as St Ed's has always sought to do.



The outside of the buildings look a bit austere but, as many have exclaimed once they get past the door, it is really beautiful inside.

St Ed's is open every morning and visitors are always welcome.

Donations for the foodbank are welcome too!

If you would like to know more about this charity work, [visit their website](#)

