

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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Parish News

We are now in November, the month when we remember our friends and family members that are not with us anymore. May their souls rest in peace. As in previous years, during the month of November we will not have individual Mass Intentions. At the back of the Church, you can find the Remembrance Book. Please write the name of your loved ones on your preferred date. The Book will be brought to the Altar every day and they will be remembered during Mass.

Please remember that there will be NO 6pm MASS this Saturday as we will be hosting the Weybridge Male Choir. If you have not bought your ticket yet, but you would like to attend, they will be selling them at the door.

Fr Bill will be saying 11.15am Mass this Sunday as Fr Ruslan will be attending the Remembrance Memorial Service in Walton. Welcome, Fr Bill.

If you were at 9.15am Mass on Sunday, you would have noticed that Fr Ruslan struggled to get the manual microphone to work properly. It is a very old microphone and it makes a lot of noise... If you would like to sponsor a new microphone, Fr Ruslan would be really grateful as he will not have to shout when talking to the kids. Thank you.

Next weekend (18th/19th November) we will have a second collection. For the Arundel Cathedral Maintenance. Thank you.

9.15 Folk Music Group

Dear Parishioners on Monday 13th November we will be running the 9.15 Folk Group's second workshop in the hall starting at 7.30pm. At the last one we welcomed new members with tea and cake and then practiced some old songs and worked on a new one... "My Lighthouse". We have played this new hymn in 2 masses since then and the feedback from the congregation is that they really enjoy singing it.

We really want to increase our numbers of singers and musicians and would love to welcome more new members. Our next meeting is a great way for you to come and hear what we do and to see if you would like to be a part of our special worship. So please take the leap of faith, come along and who knows where it may take you. The music group sings and plays every second Sunday and members come along when they can, so there is no hard and fast commitment. Any questions please find one of us in Mass or contact Francis Bealin-Kelly. 07949087349

Confirmation Program 2024

If your child is 14 years old by September 2023 or going into Yr10 and wishes to be Confirmed, please download the Confirmation Programme 2024 registration pack from the parish website. The deadline to return your completed registration forms is Sunday 12 November. Please contact the Parish Office if you need any more information. Thank you.

Safeguarding training

You may be aware that the bishop sent a letter to priests in August stating that any catechists or others working with young people need not only a DBS check, but also **Safeguarding Training**. The training can be done online with Educare but it can take up to 4 hours. We've arranged for someone from the Safeguarding team of the diocese to come here to Weybridge on Friday 17th November 1pm to 2.30pm.

If you would like to join this training session, please contact the office asap, as they will need to know numbers. Thank you.

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Della Shenton, our Pilgrimage organiser, will be here on Thursday 23rd of November to give us an update on the Pilgrimage.

Good as New Sale

Please keep Saturday 25th of November 10.30-13.30 free!!!! There will be a "Good as New Sale" in the Church Hall. Declutter your house and bring along donations but ONLY GOOD AS NEW. Have fun selling your items and take back anything that is not sold (please do not leave unsold items in the Church Hall). All the money collected from the sale will be for our Maintenance Fund. Thank you!

Alpha Course

The Alpha Course will start in Advent with a Try Alpha session on Wednesday 13th December in the hall at 8pm. Come and join us for mince pies and an introduction with session one.

The course will then restart Monday 15th January at 7.30pm and run for 9 weeks.

To sign up please email steccalpa@outlook.com

Cardinal Newman School Admissions 2025-2026 – Consultation

Consultation on Admission Arrangements for Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School for 2025-2026 Academic Year. The proposed arrangements (admissions policy and supplementary information form (SIF) can be viewed on the school website: www.cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk. Alternatively, if you do not have access to the Internet and you wish to request a printed copy of the admissions arrangements and a response form, please contact Claire Madden at Cardinal Newman School.

Comments on the proposed admission arrangements should be sent to Cardinal Newman School by the closing date (latest midnight on 10/12/2023).

Next Week

- Monday 13th November: 9.15 Music Group Workshop. All welcome.
- Tuesday 14th November: StEPS Meeting in the Hall at 7pm. All Welcome.
- Wednesday 15th November: Confirmation Parents' Meeting in the Hall at 7.30pm.
- Saturday 18th November: Fr Ruslan will be Baptizing 2 children in our Church. Please welcome this family into our wonderful Community.

The Parish Pastoral Council

Advent. Advent is nearly upon us! Do join our 'Invited' sessions in the parish hall to help you prepare for Christmas on 30/11, and 7, 14 and 21 December at 7.30pm. More information on the website and in the porch. All are welcome.

Communications. From **now onwards** please send any newsletter/website/social media items to comms.sterconwalds@gmail.com by **Thursday's at 2pm** for inclusion in the weekend's newsletter or on the website etc as appropriate. Please mark all items clearly in the subject heading. If anyone would like to help on a rota basis, please get in touch with the parish office.

Advent wreath making workshop. On Saturday 2nd December from 10.30-12.00 we'll be making advent wreaths in the hall. We'll learn about the symbolism of the wreath and how we can pray on the four Sundays of Advent. Families welcome. **Registration by 20 November is essential** as spaces are limited and we need to buy supplies. Please sign up in the porch or via the parish office – **cost £10** with all supplies provided. We will also need to **gather greenery** during the few days before - please contact Lucy Jardine at ppc.walton@abdiocese.org.uk if you have a holly bush in your garden, you're willing to gently prune for us!

StEPS - St Erconwald's Parish Support

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14th of November at 7.30pm in the Church Hall.

SAVE THE DATE - Christmas Lunch!

Christmas lunch 10th December. Please could you sign the form at the back of the church or let the Parish Office know if you would like to attend, please.

You may remember that a few years back, before Covid, the Care Group arranged Christmas lunches in the hall for our elderly parishioners. The StEPS group are delighted to announce that there will be a Parish Christmas Lunch on **Sunday 10th December** in the Church Hall after the 11.15am Mass. There will be Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings, some festive cheer and maybe even a special visitor! If you would like to come, or know someone who would enjoy it, please sign up at the back of the Church or drop the office an email so we can start planning.

Diocesan run events

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar
W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

Collection

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ thank you very much for your generosity and support to the parish. I greatly appreciate all your help and financial contribution. May God bless you all!!!

Offertory Collection 05.11.23: £399.84

2nd Collection (Retired Priests): £218.05

Standing Orders contributions for October: £4271.37

Please note there was a mistake in the Offertory Collection for last week, the actual amount was:

Offertory Collection 29.10.23: £372.42

If you would like to donate online, please see the parish bank details. Parish Account: Sort code 40 05 20 Account No 01126393, payable to RCD A&B St Erconwald's Walton on Thames.

You can also donate in the Church using our DONA device.

And please remember to make your donation Gift Aided if you can. Thank you.

Sacramental Life

Baptism	First Communion	Reconciliation
Next Baptismal Preparation session will Tuesday 5th December at 7pm in the Hall. If you would like to attend, please contact the office to book a space.	Following the teachings of the Church, children are introduced to Reconciliation during the year in which they make their first Holy Communion and are invited to celebrate this sacrament of God's healing thereafter.	In the sacrament of Reconciliation, we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. The sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available in church on Saturdays after 9.30 Mass or on request.

Catholic Education

Parish Primary School	Parish Secondary School
Cardinal Newman School Arch Road Hersham Surrey KT12 4QT TEL : 01932 222536 Email : office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk	Salesian School Guildford Road Chertsey Surrey KT16 9LU TEL : 01932 582520 Email : info@salesian.surrey.sch.uk

Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 13th November

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 11 November	9.30am	<u>St Martin of Tours, Bishop (Memorial)</u> Book of Remembrance
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	NO MASS
Sunday 12 November	9.15am	<u>32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Book of Remembrance
	11.15am	Book of Remembrance
Monday 13 November	9.30am	Book of Remembrance
Tuesday 14 November	9.30am	NO MASS
Wedn 15 November	9.30am	NO MASS
Thursd 16 November	NO MASS	NO MASS
Friday 17 November	9.30am	Book of Remembrance
		Divine Mercy
Saturday 18 November	9.30am	Book of Remembrance
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Book of Remembrance
Sunday 19 November	9.15am	<u>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Book of Remembrance
	11.15am	Book of Remembrance

Please pray for those who have asked for your prayers:

Margaret (Maggie) Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Deborah Russell, Ann Griffin, Dina Yates, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, June Ellis, Shirley Rhodes, John Lydon, James De Leons-Hopkins, Teresa Azouz, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Roger Blishen, Michael Spears, Sarah Mitchell, Rita McGloin, Fr Alex Hill, Katherine Cawley, Karen Lane, Dee Wilson, Michelle Thomas, Aman Allos, Eileen White, Sophie Giannin, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Louise Nettleton, Julia Donaldson, Arlo Nolan, the Hansford family, Beryl Jones, Oscar Menezes, Carole Frost, Gloria Gowen, Michael and Cathy Flynn.

This section of our Newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether they are sick, housebound or just in need of extra prayer. If you would like your name or someone you know to be added to the list, then please let the office know. If you are submitting on behalf of someone else, please get their permission first. If you are sick or unwell and would like only Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter just let us know and this can be accommodated. Fr Ruslan is very aware that we have a number of parishioners that are too poorly to come to Church. He would like to meet these parishioners at different times throughout the year in their homes. He can offer the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and anointing of the sick or just say hello. Everyone is important to us in this Church. Please reach out to either Susana in the office, Ann Meehan or Fr Ruslan himself in confidence. We will work with Fr Ruslan to try to schedule visits. God Bless.