

# ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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## Parish News

**What do you think of our new wonderful windows??? Doesn't the church look smarter now? Hopefully, the heating will be staying in and our bills will be reduced! Thank you to everyone for your donations. We wouldn't have been able to change them if it wasn't for your generosity.**

## Safeguarding

Thank you to all our volunteers for your contributions and support to our community. It is important that all our volunteers attend regular training. The following dates are now available to you. Please do your best to attend one of these sessions:

- Tuesday 26th April 14:00-15:30
- Wednesday 11th May 19:00-20:30
- Thursday 16th June 11:00-12:30

If you would like to register to attend one of these training sessions, please email [Safeguarding@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Safeguarding@abdiocese.org.uk) with your name and role and a Zoom link will be circulated to you nearer the time. Please note, this training is aimed at PSR's, Group Leaders, and Coordinators of activities in parishes, who also need to know the elements of our Creating a Safe Environment Policy.

## CAFOD Lent Appeal

Cafod is there to help thousands who struggle to feed their families, a problem which is worsening due to climate change. Not only does Cafod give emergency food supplies in areas of famine, its local partners give advice, eg on how to grow more drought-resistant crops or how to use existing foodstuffs more effectively.

We have to dig deep this Lent, as we are called to support the people of Ukraine and are feeling the pinch of rising bills. Let's not forget those in desperate poverty around the world and be as generous as we can.

The Cafod sponsored Walk Against Hunger is now a joint walk with Christ the Prince of Peace Parish, Weybridge. It is on the morning of 26th March, 6km, starting in Shepperton. There is still time to join us - just contact Alison at

**[alisonforeman16@gmail.com](mailto:alisonforeman16@gmail.com)**

You can give online at **[Cafod.org.uk](http://Cafod.org.uk)** or via an envelope available in the porch. I apologise for not distributing or collecting Cafod envelopes in the last couple of weeks, as the shipment to Ukraine and the Confirmation fundraising were happening. Our plan is to facilitate the collection this weekend.

Thank you in advance for your generosity to those suffering the pain of hunger.

### **Friday Masses**

Please note that during Lent, Friday Masses will be at **12noon** instead of 9.30, as we will be having Lent Lunches straight after. Please join us for a nice bowl of soup after Mass. There will be a list at the back of the church this weekend so you can sign up for it. All welcome.

### **Red Box Holders**

Dear donors. In the last two years due to COVID 19 restrictions, understandably very few of the Red Box contents have been returned to the church. Now that restrictions have been lifted, please would donors take an envelope from the church porch, empty the contents of your Red Box into it and return it to the sacristy by Sunday the 3rd of April. If you prefer to return your box, please ensure your name is on the label, place it in the sacristy and take a new box from the porch. If you would like to start collecting for overseas missions, please take a new Red Box from the porch or contact Dominic Ennis on 0208 2246114 if you would prefer to donate via standing order. The next collection will be in October 2022. Thank you.

### **Call for Singers for 11.15 Mass Choir**

Are you interested in an uplifting way to help at Mass? The choir at the 11.15 Sunday Mass needs singers - no experience necessary, all welcome.

Rehearsals: 7.30-8pm Thursdays

Singing: 11.15 Mass Sundays

Contact Mary 01932 863777, or Sue 07933 769993

### **House items**

Dear parishioners, if you have any spare bedding, pillows, duvets and covers, for single beds, Fr Ruslan would be very happy to take them from your hands! They do not need to be new, just clean in good condition so the spare beds in the Presbytery made. Thank you!

### **Parish Secretary Vacancy**

Leatherhead Catholic Church is looking for a Part Time Parish Secretary. The job is 15 hours per week preferably Wednesday, Thursday & Friday. £14 ph

IT skills essential

Please contact the Parish Office ([Leatherhead@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Leatherhead@abdiocese.org.uk)) for further information and for a copy of the Job Description.

### **Easter Masses**

**Palm Sunday 9:15, 11:15 and 13:00 (Polish Mass)**

**Maundy Thursday 20:00**

**Good Friday 15:00**

**Easter Vigil 20:00**

**Easter Sunday 9:15, 11:15 and 13:00 (Polish Mass)**

### Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> March

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Sat 26 March	9.30am	Brenton Bray RIP
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Intentions of Ann Russell
Sun 27 March	9.15am	Parishioners
	11.15am	Brenda King RIP
Mond 28 March	9.30am Rosary	Private Intention
Tuesd 29 March	9.30am Rosary	Charles and Michael Overton RIP
Wed 30 March	9.30 Rosary	Janan Allos RIP
Thurs 31 Mar	10.15am	Eileen Englefield Funeral
<b>Fri 01 April</b>	<b>12.00noon</b>	Paddy Kenny RIP
Sat 02 April	9.30am	Francie Green RIP
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun 03 April	9.15am	Connor Crumpler RIP (Anniversary)
	11.15am	Good health of Carmen Fernandes

#### Rosary

We will be praying the Rosary after midweek mass during Lent (Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays). Please join us after 9.30 mass.

#### Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

*Margaret (Maggie) Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Sheila Day, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Patrick Russell, Ann Griffin, Ann Lane, Dina Yates, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle. Jerry Riordan, Pia Nelson, June Ellis, Kevin Andrews, Shirley Rhodes, John Lyndon, James De Leons-Hopkins*

Dear Parishioners,

as you know we keep a section of our Newsletter specifically 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. So if you have not been able to get to church because you are too poorly or a vulnerable person, please reach out to either Susana in the office, Fr Ruslan himself in confidence or Ann Mehan. Susana and Ann will work with Fr Ruslan to try to schedule visits. Feel free to contact us. God Bless.

## 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 20.03.22: £306.98**

**Standing Orders contributions for February: £4063**

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 Erconwalds 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 be on Tuesday 5th April at 8pm 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.  <b>The sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available in church on Saturdays after 9.30 Mass or on request.</b>

## Catholic Education

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