

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Parish Office hours Tuesday-Friday 10am-1.30pm

Parish News

During Lent, Wednesday Masses will be at 7.30pm. There will be NO morning Mass on Wednesdays. Therefore, the Rosary will be said on Tuesdays after Mass during Lent.

Red Box Holders

It is time for the first collection of the year of the contents of your Red boxes. Please would donors take an envelope from the porch, empty the contents of your box into the envelope and return it to the sacristy after Mass **by Sunday the 12th March at the latest.**

If you prefer to return your box, please ensure that 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 contact Dominic Ennis on 0208 2246114. Thank you.

Lent Lunches

All through Lent, every Friday we will be having Stations of the Cross at 11.30 followed by Mass at 12pm and Lent Lunches afterwards. There are 2 lists at the back of the church, one to confirm attendance so we can have an idea of numbers and another one to provide let us know what you are bringing. These lunches have always been very popular so please come and join us. All welcome.

Parish Council

A few weeks ago, Father Ruslan invited a number of parishioners to come together and form a parish pastoral council.

As part of this process, the group spent time celebrating the richness of our parish life and mapped it in the table below (please see noticeboard). This mapping will help the pastoral council support these activities to enrich our life as a parish community. We're pretty sure the table is not complete though! If you think that something is missing, please email the parish office, or add your thoughts onto a Post-It note and post them on the table hanging in the porch at the back of church - and feel free to add in your wishes too! We next meet as a group on 13 March, so please do share your comments by Sunday 12 March. Thank you.

Baptisms

Next Saturday 11th of March, Fr Ruslan will be celebrating 3 Baptisms in our Church. Please welcome these children and their families into our wonderful community. Thank you.

Cardinal Newman Primary Catholic School

After School Club Playworker Vacancy:

Please click [here](#) for the Advert - Play worker

Please click [here](#) for the job description.

If you would like to apply for this job please download and complete the application form from the school website and return to vacancy@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk or apply via [ETeach](#). Alternatively, you can request a paper form from the school office and return it to the school.

Graduate LSA Vacancy:

Please click [here](#) for the Advert - Graduate LSA - Spring 2023.

Please click [here](#) for the job description.

To apply for this job, please complete the Support Staff Application Form by the closing date and return it to vacancy@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk or apply via [ETeach](#). Paper copies of the form are available from the school office – 01932 222536.

Saint Vincent De Paul Updates

This week we held our inaugural St Vincent de Paul (SVP) meeting in the church hall. Meeting turn-out was amazing with 16 people, young and old, braving the cold to come and join us. We were delighted to see such deep, historical connections to our parish, and personal connections to the work of St Vincent de Paul. There is clearly a pent-up desire to reengage with our parish community and local community through practical ministry. We've started to develop plans for how we can build a sustainable legacy outreach programme through SVP. The first of which is the establishment of our Prayer Shawl Ministry group. Weren't able to join us this time? No problem - our next meeting is scheduled for 28th March in the church hall. If you would like more information, please visit our website at www.sterconwalds.org.uk/svp or email us at svp@simpkin.net.

SVP Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our St Vincent de Paul group would love to bring the American tradition of knitting prayer shawls for loved ones or those in need to our parish. There are three parts to this:

(1) production of knitted/crochet items at home, (2) assembly of blankets from knitted/crochet squares, this will involve getting together for a couple of hours once a month to work together and chat and pray over tea and cake, and (3) Distribution to those in need of prayer, companionship or just keeping warm, remembering that this winter many people were very cold and next winter may not be much different.

If you can knit or crochet, please make 6in (15cm) squares which will be assembled into lap blankets or shawls. Alternatively, other small items can be produced such as hats, scarves, gloves or fingerless mittens. Don't know how to knit/crochet, but want to? No problem - tuition can be provided!

If you are interested in getting involved, **please contact Margaret**

Hawkes (margothawkes@gmail.com) know. And donations of yarn (preferably moth free) and needles would be appreciated. Are you interested in getting involved? Click here for more information. More information is available on the web site at www.sterconwalds.org.uk/prayer-shawl-ministry.

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 19.02.23: £402.83

Standing Orders contributions for February: £3816

Contributions via DONA for February: £127

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 Tuesday 7th March 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 06th March

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 04 March	9.30am	Good health of Maureen Mills & family
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 05 March	9.15am	<u>Second, 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent</u> Connor Crumpler RIP (Anniversary)
	11.15am	Fr John Pearson RIP (Anniversary)
	1.00pm	Polish Mass
Monday 06 March	9.30am	Charlie & Michael Overton RIP
Tuesday 07 March	9.30am	Intentions of Ian Richardson
Wednesday 08 March	7.30pm	Clyde Family
Thursday 09 March	NO MASS	NO MASS
Friday 10 March	11.30am	Stations of the Cross
	12.00pm	Bridget Cooney RIP
Saturday 11 March	9.30am	In thanksgiving
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 12 March	9.15am	<u>Third Sunday of Lent</u> Betty Braganza RIP
	11.15am	Arnaldo Fernandes RIP

Please pray for those who have asked for your prayers:

Margaret (Maggie) Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Patrick Russell, Deborah Russell, Ann Griffin, Ann Lane, Dina Yates, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Jerry Riordan, June Ellis, Shirley Rhodes, John Lydon, James De Leons-Hopkins, Sheila Tickner, Paul Bahoshy, Teresa Azouz, Yasmine Hodkinson, 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

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. 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 Meehan. Susana and Ann will work with Fr Ruslan to try to schedule visits. Feel free to contact us. God Bless.