

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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Parish News

- **Parish priests do not get paid a salary and is remunerated from mass stipends and from the Christmas and Easter Offerings. Christmas offerings on the 24th and 25th of December will go to Fr Ruslan as your personal gift. Thank all in advance for your generosity.**
- Kevin Kilburn handed out gift aid forms last week after mass. If you have yours completed, could you return at the end of mass, please? There will be someone at the back of the church after each mass collecting them, otherwise, you can leave them in the Sacristy or put them through the Parish Office door. Thank you.
- We need some more volunteers to help with teas and coffees on Sundays after the 9.15 mass. If you would like to join the rota, please contact the Parish Office.
- We are planning on changing the windows at the back of the Church as they have not been changed since the 1950s!!! As you can imagine, they are not very good at keeping the heat and therefore not very ecologically friendly. The roughly cost to change the 10 windows is £3k. If you would like to sponsor one of the windows or contribute towards them, please contact Fr Ruslan or the Parish Office. Every little helps!!!! Thank you.
- As Christmas is approaching, there will be Reconciliation services during December. There will be a Reconciliation service at Cardinal Newman School for the Yr4 & Yr5 children on Friday 3rd of December at 1.30pm (their families are welcome). There will also be 2 services at St Erconwalds, one on Wednesday 8th of December at 2pm. This service is aim to Cardinal Newman Yr6 children, but their families are also welcome to take part. The second Reconciliation service will be on Friday 10th of December at 7.30pm, this is aim to all the parishioners.
- Missio is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission and is also Bishop Richard's chosen charity. Mission Together is the children's strand of the charity and they produce some brilliant resources for Advent. Please find attached the Advent Calendar which gives us daily encouragement to prepare for Christmas. You can discover more here: <https://missiontogether.org.uk/advent-and-christmas/>

- After the overwhelming success last year, The Christmas Community Gift Giving Scheme will continue again this year, not only our school community, but also local families and individuals in need. We are working with a range of partners – the local cluster schools, the parishes and local care homes – to help us to “spread the joy” just a little further this Christmas. The “Giving Tree” idea is very simple – those who can afford to buy an additional present, choose one from the online list, wrap the present and LABEL IT WITH THE GIFT NUMBER (very important to help us know what is to go to whom!) and then bring it to a box on our donations table at Cardinal Newman School by Friday 10th December. If you would like to take part, please take a look at the list – gifts vary in price from around £8 to around £30. It will be lovely if our whole community can work together to support those in need in our locality at this time. Please follow the link: <https://www.thingstogetme.com/296832a164ac>
- More Christmas news!!!! Fr Ruslan is looking for a team of volunteers to decorate the Church for Christmas. We already have a few offers but as always, the more the merrier!!! There will be a meeting in the Presbytery on Tuesday 30th November at 7pm for the volunteers. There will be a list at the back of the church for parishioners to sign up or you can contact the Parish Office if you would like to join us so we know roughly how many people will be attending. It will be lovely to see the Church nicely decorated 😊
- There will be another list at the back of the church to sign up for different volunteer roles during the Christmas masses. We are counting on you!!! 😊
- Please see last page of the newsletter for all the Christmas Masses.
- Sunday 12th of December from 2pm to 4pm, we will be having a Children’s Christmas Party!!!! We would love to see our youngest parishioners having some fun as they are the future of our Parish. The party is aim to children between the age of 2 and 5 plus any siblings. Tickets will be £5 for one child or £7 for 2 or more. There will be songs, games, reading and party food! (all COVID secure). Parents will be staying and any help will be greatly appreciated. Please contact the office before 01st of December to book a space. It will be a great opportunity for the kids to have some Christmas fun and parents to have a nice chat.

Baptismal Preparation Session

Next Baptismal Preparation session will be on **Monday 6th December at 8pm** in the Hall. If you would like to attend, please contact the office to book a space.

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 20.11.21 & 21.11.21: £372.82

Standing Orders contributions for October totalled £3259.35

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 A&B Diocesan Trust St Erconwalds. Thank You!

Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 29th November

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Sat 27 Nov	9.30am	For the physical healing & breakthrough in illness of Sergio
	4.15pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun 28 Nov	9.15am	Angela Gagliano RIP
	11.15am	Bernardo & Vicenta Gurrero RIP
Mond 29 Nov	9.30am	Richard Matthews
Tuesd 30 Nov	9.30am	Bridie Grennan RIP
Wed 01 Dec	9.30am Rosary	Nita Clark RIP
Thu 02 Dec	No Mass	
Fri 03 Dec	No Mass	NO MASS
Sat 04 Dec	9.30am	Intentions of Teresa Cox
	4.15pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sun 05 Dec	9.15am	John Crumpler RIP (Anniversary)
	11.15am	Good health of Ian Richardson

Reconciliation

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.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Michael Snee, Margaret Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Sheila Day, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Patrick Russell, Ann Griffin, Ann Lane, Dina Yates, Rose Collins, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Eileen Englefield, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle.

Catholic Education

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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

10th December

Reconciliation Service 19.30

24th December

Crib Service 15.30

Christmas Carols 17.30

Family Christmas Eve Mass 18.00

Midnight Mass 22.00

25th December

Christmas Day Family Mass 9.15

Christmas Day Mass 11.15

26th December

Boxing Day Mass 9.30 (only one mass)