

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISM PREPARATION

These sessions take place regularly throughout the year. Please contact the office for details and to book. The next Baptism session will be **in July (date tbc) at 8pm via Zoom.**

RECONCILIATION

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. This sacrament is regularly available in church on Saturdays after the 9.30 Mass or on request.

Children are introduced to **Reconciliation** during the year in which they make their first Holy Communion and are then invited to celebrate this sacrament of God's healing.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

The programmes have finished for this year. Registrations for 2026 will start in the Autumn.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 21 June	9.30	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious (Memorial) MASS Anne & Gerry Webb RIP Adoration and Reconciliation
	10.00	
	16.45	ITALIAN MASS
	18.00	Parishioners
Sun 22 June	9.15	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Solemnity) MASS First Holy Communion Children
	11.15	MASS Mulqueen Family
Mon 23 June	9.30	MASS Bosch family
Tue 24 June	18.30	The Birth of St John the Baptist (Solemnity) Adoration and Reconciliation MASS Ruby Mitchell RIP
	19.30	
Wed 25 June	9.30	MASS Private Intention
	10.00	ROSARY
Thu 26 June	NO MASS	NO MASS
Fri 27 June	NO MASS	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (Solemnity) NO MASS NO DIVINE MERCY
Sat 28 June	9.30	The Immaculate Heart of Mary (Memorial) NO MASS NO Adoration and NO Reconciliation
	10.00	
	16.45	ITALIAN MASS
	18.00	Michael O'Neill RIP
Sun 29 June	9.15	Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles (Solemnity) MASS Maureen Hargreaves RIP
	11.15	MASS June Ellis RIP

The toddlers play and praise group continues on Fridays from 10-11.30 in the hall.



ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

21 / 22 JUNE 2025



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

On the evening before His crucifixion, Jesus established the Eucharist, which offers His Body and Blood in the form of bread and wine, serving as a lasting Passover sacrifice for His followers. This event is what we traditionally refer to as the Last Supper. The Solemnity we celebrate this Sunday focuses on the gift of the Lord's Body and Blood, which we receive during Holy Mass (the Eucharist) until His glorious return at the end of time. By instituting the Eucharist at the moment the Jewish Passover lambs were being sacrificed, Jesus initiated the Christian Passover. While the ancient rite commemorated the liberation of God's people from slavery in Egypt, the Christian ritual symbolises freedom from sin and death, as well as the new life offered in Christ, who rose from the dead to grant us eternal life.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The children will celebrate together this **Sunday 22 June** at their Going Forth Mass (9.15). The FHC group are looking for volunteers to help serve drinks and food in an event in the garden afterwards for the children and their families. All food and drinks will be provided. Please contact the office if you can help.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

This weekend Fr Ruslan will recommission our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion - the Eucharist - during all the Masses. Those who give their time to this ministry distribute the Eucharistic during Mass and to the sick and housebound when they visit. We are so grateful to all of who give your time in this way. **Thank you.** Please remember these ministers in your prayers. If you are interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister please speak to Fr Ruslan.

DAY FOR LIFE - LAST WEEKEND

Pope Leo XIV has sent a special message to Catholics and people of good will celebrating Day for Life on Sunday, 15 June, to assure them of his spiritual closeness at this time. The Pope's message was conveyed by the Holy See's Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, in a letter to the Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, Archbishop John Sherrington. Cardinal Parolin wrote:

"Pope Leo prays that, through your common witness to the God-given dignity of every person, without exception, and to the tender Christ-like accompaniment of the seriously ill, all in society will be encouraged to defend rather than undermine a civilisation founded on authentic love and genuine compassion."

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WALTON ON THAMES.

You can also donate in church using the DONA device or the QR codes in the pews. Please use Gift Aid if you can. Thank you for all your help and financial contributions!

DEAR PARISHIONERS

This section of our newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether 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, please let the office know. If you are submitting on behalf of someone else, please seek their permission first. If you are sick or unwell and would like Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter, just let us know.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Aman Allos, Tom Asbury, Teresa Azouz, Baby Elm, Roger Blishen, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Katherine Cawley, Trish Claxton, Rose Collins, Jimmy Connaughtoin, Thérèse Crumpler, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Julia Donaldson, Mary Edenborough, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Michael and Cathy Flynn, Carole Frost, Carmen Galanty, Sophie Giannini, Franky Goes, Gloria Gowen, Ann Griffin, the Hansford family, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Karen Lane, John Lydon, Rita McGloin, Oscar Menezes, Christian Misuraca, Sarah Mitchell, Maureen Moriarty, Colleen Murphy, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, Ben Piltsher, Shirley Rhodes, Deborah Russell, Evie Sagun, Anna Sartori, Michael Spears, Michelle Thomas, Eileen White, Angela Widdup, Dina Yates.

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan would like to meet parishioners who are too poorly to come to church at different times throughout the year in their homes. Do reach out to Susana in the office, Ann Meehan or Fr Ruslan so we can schedule visits.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The PPC will spend this **Saturday 21 June** together for a day of formation led by Diocesan staff. Please pray for PPC members as they continue to serve, and discern how best to serve, our Parish.

PARISH SURVEY

Thank you to all who took the time to complete the survey, in print or online. You have provided rich feedback and guidance on how we can move forward as a parish. All who provided contact details will be contacted in the next week or so, so do watch for those calls/emails!

ART CLASS

Art class for adults - beginners and intermediate levels, create collage landscape and seascape **28 June and 2nd date to be confirmed** 10:30am - 1:30pm in the church hall. Tickets £5 and proceeds go towards the church maintenance email: lorelei.hopkins@yahoo.com mobile: 07958 403212 for more details.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend **28/29 June** there will be a 2nd collection for Peter's Pence. Peter's Pence is a financial offering made by Catholics worldwide to the Holy See, the central governing body of the Catholic Church, to support the Pope's charitable works and the needs of the universal Church. It has ancient roots, dating back to Anglo-Saxon England, where a penny was collected from every household to be sent to Rome. Today, it's a significant source of funding for the Pope's charitable initiatives, including humanitarian aid, social programs, and support for the Holy See itself.

YOUTH LED MASS!

Please do join mass led by the young people of our Parish next Saturday **28 June at 6pm**. If you've any suggestions or want to join in - for music, or reading or in any other way, please contact Lucy Jardine on 07740 461 785. Please pass on this message to any young people who might not receive the newsletter!

DEACON GARY CARTER's ORDINATION and FIRST MASS

On **Sunday 6 July** Deacon Gary will celebrate his first Mass as a Priest at St Erconwald's after his Ordination at Arundel Cathedral. We would like to celebrate this occasion by hosting a lunch for him after the 10am Mass. There will be a **sign up sheet** at the back of the church for parishioners to sign up to provide food and drink for the lunch. We are also looking for **volunteers** to help set up the hall and gazebos - please email the office if you can help so we can get in touch.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - ANNUAL PARISH HOG ROAST/BBQ!

Please join us for the annual Parish BBQ **Sunday 7 September**. This is always a fun way to come together as a parish, more details to follow.

POPE LEO ANNOUNCES DATE OF CANONISATION

Pope Leo XIV held the first Ordinary Public Consistory of his pontificate on 13 June, with Cardinals giving their formal approval for the canonisations of eight Blessed. During the ceremony, the Holy Father announced that Blessed Carlo Acutis will be canonised on **7 September**. The canonisation of Acutis, who was beatified in Assisi on 10 October 2020, had originally been scheduled for 27 April, the Second Sunday of Easter, to coincide with the Jubilee of Teenagers but was postponed following the death of Pope Francis; Please do visit a selection of Carlo Acutis' exhibition **detailing some of the Eucharistic miracles**, displayed around the Sanctuary.

APPEAL FROM THE TODDLERS GROUP

We've have quite a few babies joining our Baby and Toddler group (10-11.30 on Fridays in the Hall). If anyone has a baby bouncer seat or playmat they are looking to give away please contact the office.

FUNDRAISING

If you have a fundraising idea that you would like to lead on either as a group or an individual then please contact the office walton@abdiocese.org.uk. If you work for a large (or not so large) company that runs a Matching Gift scheme, your employer might match either what you give/raise. If you work for a company that offers this scheme please do let us know! As always, we welcome your feedback.

DIOCESAN / OTHER NEWS

BIG CHURCH FESTIVAL

The annual ecumenical Big Church Festival, West Sussex will take place this year **22-24 August** the Diocese will be going, more details to follow in the meantime you can find more information on the line up here: <https://bigchurchfestival.com/lineup/>

WALK THE AUGUSTINE CAMINO FOR MARY'S MEALS

1 - 8 September - During this Jubilee Year we would be delighted if you joined us as Pilgrims of Hope on some or all of the Augustine Camino, starting at Rochester Cathedral and finishing at the Shrine of St Augustine in Ramsgate. The pilgrimage will take us to four of the designated Jubilee churches and shrines in the area. Please contact Roy Peachey roy.peachey@marysmeals.org.uk or 07593 447297 to book your place.

FESTIVAL OF HOPE/DIOCESAN 60th ANNIVERSARY

A big celebration will take place on **20 September** at Queen's Jubilee Hall, Ardingley. There are limited tickets available for each deanery/parish; we'll travel by coach together. Please contact the office as soon as possible if you're interested.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please send any newsletter/website/porch/ social media items or any amendments to: comms.sterconwalds@gmail.com by Thursdays at 2pm for inclusion/ uploading as appropriate. All feedback is welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

If you wish to work with children or vulnerable adults in our parish please contact Tina O'Kelly, our Safeguarding Rep for volunteers: tina@okellynet.com. See our website for further details.

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are such a huge part of our parish and we would love to welcome anyone who wishes to get involved as we grow together as a faith community and reach out to those around us. See here for details: <https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/get-involved.html>

YOUR OFFERINGS
PLATE COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE: TBC AT THE END OF THE MONTH

STANDING ORDERS
FOR MAY: £4768.67

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATES!

- 28 JUN YOUTH-LED MASS
- 10-11 JUL PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM
- AUG PILGRIM'S WAY WALK
- 7 SEP PARISH HOG ROAST/BBQ
- 20 SEP FESTIVAL OF HOPE
- 16 NOV FUNDRAISING CONCERT