

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

26TH FEBRUARY 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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Parish Office hours Tuesday-Friday 10am-1.30pm

Parish News

There will be no Masses next Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday as Fr Ruslan is taking a few days off. On Friday, we will be welcoming Fr Bill again as he will be saying Mass. Please remember that Friday Mass is at 12pm during Lent. Stations of the Cross at 11.30am and Lent Lunches after Mass.

Also, 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.

2nd Collection

Thank you everyone for your really generous donations towards the utility bills. We raised a total of £1366.79!!! We really appreciate all your help and contributions in this matter. Thank you!

Pancake Party

Thank you to everyone that came to the pancake party. It was great to see so many kids of all ages enjoying art and crafts, balloons and of course Makeiba and Margaret's fabulous pancakes. Thanks again and keep your eyes peeled for info on the next event! If you would like to get involved or have any other ideas, please do let us know. We are always to hear from you! Makeiba, Caroline and Emma pt.walton@abdiocese.org.uk Thank you!

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.

World Day of Prayer

Please support World Day of Prayer which is being held at our Church this year at 10am on Friday 3rd of March. All welcome.

Parish Hall

If you are interested in hiring St Erconwald's Hall, we have a new email address for bookings. Please send any hall enquiries to bookings.walton@abdiocese.org.uk Thank you

Parish Registration form

Please remember to register with the Parish if you have not done so yet. This will help us knowing our parishioners a bit better. Please download the form from the Parish website or contact the office for a paper copy. Thank you very much!

Saint Vincent De Paul Updates

Our hearts go out to those who have lost their lives or otherwise have been affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. We know we ask so much of our parishioners, so we're not collecting right now however, if you are able and want to, please consider making a donation. Find out more about how you can donate through some of the charities currently collecting, please visit <https://sterconwalds.org.uk/turkey-syria>.

Whether you are an existing volunteer or wondering how you can support our parish community, please join St Vincent De Paul team on Tuesday 28th February at 7.30pm in the Church Hall for an informal meeting to put faces to names, gain a better understanding of the outreach work that is currently going on across the parish, and to look at ways we can build on this.

Diocesan run events

Are you a priest or active parishioner who wants to see your parish come alive? East Brighton Parish and Divine Renovation invite you and your parish to their upcoming DR Open House on **Saturday 18 March 2023**, at the new Fitzherbert Community Hub in Brighton. Save the date for a day where you will connect with parishes that have come alive by pursuing mission, hear inspiring stories of what they've learned on their journey, and be encouraged by seeing hope for what is possible in your own parish. Find out more W: www.divinerenovation.org/openhouse or contact E: Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

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>

Externally run events/items

The next Chilworth Abbey Study Day is on Saturday, March 4th, 2023, led by Fr John Seddon OSB, of Bishop Barron's 'Catholicism', Episode 7, 'Word made Flesh, True Bread from Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist. Mass, 9.00am, Talks 10.15am-3.30pm. Bring a packed lunch and a friend if possible. See chilworthbenedictines.com for more details.

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: £357.86

Second Collection including Dona and direct debit: £1366.79

Standing Orders contributions for January: £3841.02

Contributions via DONA for January: £217

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 27th February

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 25 February	9.30am	Nola Galiano and Ferraro deceased relatives
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 26 February	9.15am	<u>First Sunday of Lent</u> Anna Goes RIP
	11.15am	Bridget Lydon RIP (Anniversary)
Monday 27 February	NO MASS	NO MASS
Tuesday 28 February	NO MASS	NO MASS
Wednesday 01 March	NO MASS	<u>St David (Feast)</u> NO MASS
Thursday 02 March	NO MASS	NO MASS
Friday 03 March	11.30am	Stations of the Cross
	12.00pm	Recovery of Maureen Cantwell
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

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.