

# ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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## Parish News

### Crisis in Ukraine

Please pray for Ukraine and all its people as they endure the wicked invasion of their country. This unprovoked attack on a Sovereign country with a long history of its own identity is a watershed in history and resonates throughout the world. We pray for all Ukraine across its entire territory and we remember specially the family, friends and community of our own Fr Ruslan.

### Windows Collection 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> February

Thank you so much everyone for your generosity again! We are quickly approaching the amount needed for the windows. This weekend we collected £451.46!!! In no time we will have lovely windows that would look both amazing and will be more eco friendly than what we currently have.

So far, we have collected £11,563.73. The cost of the windows for the back of the Church is £7,289.00. The price of the two large windows for the front of the Church in aluminium is £4,615.00

The total cost for all the windows is £11,904.00. All your efforts show what a wonderful community we have in this parish.

### Friday Masses

Please note that during Lent, Friday Masses will be at 12 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.

### Gift Aid Envelopes

The weekly gift aid envelopes for the 2022/23 tax year are now available for those who subscribe to the scheme by that method. Please pick up your box of envelopes which will have your name on them. For those who donate by standing order, there is no need to collect.

### Rosary

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

### World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be held at Walton Baptist Church in Winchester Road on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> of March at 10.30am. There will be refreshments after the service. All welcome

### **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

### **Children's Liturgy**

Our wonderful team of volunteers could do with the help of a couple more volunteers to help with the Children Liturgy on Sundays. If you are already in mass and your children are attending the Liturgy, please join the volunteers. The work in a rota basis so you will not have to do it every week. But the more they are the better. Kids love it!

Please contact the Parish office if you would like to help.

### **Sponsored walk for CAFOD: "Walk Against Hunger"**

We are hoping to have a group sponsored walk in the parish on 19th March, to raise money for CAFOD's work combatting malnutrition and hunger around the world. The aim is to walk at least 200km between us, and to be sponsored through a Just Giving webpage (or in cash for any who cannot give this way). Would you like to join us? The distance(s) are yet to be confirmed as this will depend on the participants, but as an example, twenty people could walk 10km or forty people could walk 5km, or there could be a combination. There are no age restrictions, but children will need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

An alternative is to take this on as a solo challenge, walking 5km a day for 40 days. Please contact Alison Foreman on 07920775872 or at [alisonforeman16@gmail.com](mailto:alisonforeman16@gmail.com) if you would like to take part.

### **Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland.**

Join us to celebrate the feast of St. Patrick on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Lunches on days out. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single room supplement £100. Contact

Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or

email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

### **Car Wash and Bake Sale - Sunday 13 March**

This year's Confirmation candidates would like to invite all members of the parish to have their car washed on Sunday 13 March. Our young people will wash cars during the 9.15am and 11.15am masses and sell their homemade cakes afterwards.

All donations and monies raised will go to Eikon, an award-winning charity that has been working in local Surrey communities for over two decades, providing support to young people experiencing mental health or emotional problems. Please support our young people who are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation.

## 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 20.02.22: £313.63**

**Standing Orders contributions for January: £3717.40**

**Contributions via DONA for January: £267.47**

**Second Collection (Windows): £451.46**

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   |
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| Next Baptismal Preparation session will be on Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> of March 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.<br><b>The sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available in church on Saturdays after 9.30 Mass or on request.</b> |

## Catholic Education

| Parish Primary School:  | Parish Secondary School:   |
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| Cardinal Newman School<br>Arch Road<br>Hersham<br>Walton-on-Thames<br>Surrey<br>KT12 4QT<br>TEL: 01932 222536<br>Email:<br><a href="mailto:office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk">office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk</a> | Salesian School<br>Arch Road<br>Guildford Road<br>Chertsey<br>Surrey<br>KT16 9LU<br>TEL 01932 582520<br>Email:<br><a href="mailto:office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk">office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk</a> |

**Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 28<sup>th</sup> February**

| Date         | Time    | Mass Intention  |
|--------------|---------|---|
| Sat 26 Feb   | 9.30am  | NO MASS   |
|              | 4.45pm  | Italian Mass  |
|              | 6.00pm  | In thanksgiving to Irmina & Tadeusz Molenda RIP (30 <sup>th</sup> annv) |
| Sun 27 Feb   | 9.15am  | Parishioners  |
|              | 11.15am | Anna Goes RIP   |
| Mond 28 Feb  | 9.30am  | Viv, Ioana & Matthias   |
| Tuesd 01 Mar | 9.30am  | Harry and Phoebe Toms   |
| Wed 02 Mar   | 9.30am  | Intentions of Maureen Hills   |
|              | Rosary  |   |
|              | 7.30pm  | Alan RIP  |
| Thurs 03 Mar | No Mass |   |
| Fri 04 March | 12.00   | Good health of Philip Overton   |
| Sat 05 March | 9.30am  | Jeremy Grace RIP  |
|              | 4.45pm  | Italian Mass  |
|              | 6.00pm  | Fr John Pearson RIP (Anniversary)                                       |
| Sun 06 March | 9.15am  | Segunda Parabuac RIP (80 <sup>th</sup> birthday)                        |
|              | 11.15am | Parishioners  |

**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, Eileen Englefield, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle. Jerry Riordan, Pia Nelson, June Ellis, Kevin Andrews, Shirley Rhodes.*

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.