THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MOLESEY, HERSHAM & WALTON On THAMES

St Barnabas, All Saints & St Erconwald 22 September 2019

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.

Should they cry to me in any distress,

I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

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WELCOME TO MASS Readings and prayers are found in the Parish Missals for 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time.

We hear a complex and sometimes mystifying parable about a dishonest employee. His dishonesty is classic: he is too focused on money and it leads him astray. Our good sense teaches us that we do not want to be slaves of money, there's a nasty word for that. Our spiritual sensibility reminds us that the good we do in this life and our hope of heaven is the really important link. So we live in the hope of eternity and express generosity as a way of reminding ourselves and each other of Almighty God who renews us with the supremely generous gift of Himself, that we may 'possess redemption'.

Bishop Richard writes to let us know he is now unable to lead the Reflection Day planned for 28 September. He has been called away to visit a sick priest abroad. Apologies for any inconvenience.

LET US PRAY FOR: Those who are sick in our parishes: Ann Griffin, Andy Hanges, Patricia Malcolm, Patrick Duggan, Rose Collins, Maureen Lloyd, Nadia Plowden, Therese Ayres, Mary Hales, Bonnard (Bleu) Allen, Peggy Fitzgerald, Maureen Morey, Ann Livingston, Jayne Collins, Maureen Murphy, Dina Yates, Sheila Day, Nicoletta Lanzisera, Richard & Jackie D'Alton, Nedra

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Confessions on Saturday Walton 10am, Molesey 10.45am, Hersham 5pm & by appointment

Gilson, the Superville and McComb family, and Mark. Please advise the parish offices know of those you would like added to our list.

Those who have died especially Nic Carratu who died peacefully on Wednesday night. Ray Jones whose Funeral Service is at Hersham at 11am on 26 September.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr Peter Boulding, Fr John O'Connor, Fr Alban Linton Shields, Fr Michael Walsh. And the intentions of parishioners, friends and benefactors.

INFANT BAPTISM Tuesday 19 November at 8pm in the Presbytery at St Erconwald's, Walton and at St Barnabas, Molesey on Friday 27 September 2019 at 7pm in the church. Please contact the Parish Offices.

OCTOBER THE MONTH OF OUR

LADY the Rosary will be prayed at the following times:

Tuesday St Barnabas, Molesey at 6pm Wednesday St Erconwald, Walton at 10am Thursday St Barnabas, Molesey at 10am All Saints, Hersham at 11.30am

Friday St Erconwald, Walton 12.30pm Please join us in this important time of prayer.

COFFEE AFTER MASS ON MONDAYS at St Erconwald and at St Barnabas *from 23 September*.

ADORATION AT ST ERCONWALD'S on Fridays starting at 10.15am until just before Mass at 12noon.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? We have two groups running in our parishes at All Saints and St Barnabas. Please contact Fr. Richard, Fr. Bill or Veronica at Hersham and Yvonne Foster at Molesey.

This Sunday 22 September at 12.30pm we will celebrate a Sunday Mass at Cardinal Newman School in anticipation of Blessed John Henry Newman's canonization. All School families and other parishioners are welcome. Please bring a picnic to enjoy.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPRATION ENROLEMENT FORMS FOR HERSHAM & MOLESEY are available from the back of the churches. Please return to the parish offices by Friday 11 October. Children are generally prepared for the sacraments of confession and Holy Communion in School Year 3.

ST ERCONWALD'S FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019/20, children in year 3 at school and above and whose families come to Mass regularly are eligible to prepare for this Sacrament. Enrolment packs will be available in early September.

We need at least 3 new Catechists for the success of this programme for next year's First Holy Communion group. If you are interested, please contact St Erconwald's office on 01932 22 11 01. First Holy Communion parents and children are always very grateful for the fantastic job our volunteer Catechists do and we really appreciate any help we can get. So please, don't be shy and become a Catechist!

IGNATION CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY every Wednesday, at 7.30pm in the Narthex at All Saints Hersham. We are a group of

Catholics who meet each week to study our Bible, discuss our Faith and Pray together.

THE UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS Meeting will take place on Wednesday 16 October at 2pm in the Old School room, St Barnabas, Molesey.

HOUSE OF PRAYER Centering Prayer group on Monday evenings at 7.30pm. All are welcome. 35 Seymour Road, KT8 0PB. Centering Prayer can help us to become more present and open to God.

ST BARNABAS YOUTH CLUB for Years 3 and upwards in St Barnabas Church Hall Fridays from 6pm - 7.30pm, term time. Cost per session £1 which includes a drink and a biscuit. All welcome just turn up!

ST ERCOWALD'S PARENT TODDLER GROUP meet every
Wednesday during *term time only* at St.
Erconwald's Parish Hall. 10am to 11.45am.
For more information please contact Ola on 07449 519 701.

ST ERCOWALD'S GUIDED GROUP meets at The Company of Mary House, 48 Churchfield Rd, Walton. KT12 2SY. All meetings begin at 6.30pm, the next meeting is Monday 23 of September. Come join us, all are very welcome. For more information please contact Petra on 07739 538 106.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE FOR ST ERCONWALD'S AND ST BARNABAS

The role of the Safeguarding Office is to assist parishes in their work with vulnerable groups to ensure a safe environment for all concerned. However, it vour responsibility if you work with children or vulnerable adults to have a valid, up to date DBS for the parish. Please can you check certificates now. If you find it is out of date please contact Tina O'Kelly (Walton) Email: dbs@sterconwalds.org. uk OR Michael Healy (Molesey) Email: michael.healy2@ntlworld.com

immediately and they will be happy to assist you. Remember it is your responsibility to ensure you and everyone in our parish is safe. THE DEANERY CARE MASS will be held at St Erconwald's Walton on Sunday 6 October at 3pm. In order to provide the refreshments for the tea after the Deanery Care Mass, we need your help please. There is a list at the back of St Erconwald's Church of all the items we need to allow us to offer afternoon tea to everyone. Please add your name to the list for any items you are willing to provide and bring them along to the Hall by 2pm on the day. Thank you for your support.

URGENT DONATIONS FOR THE FOOD BANK it would be greatly appreciated if you could donate the following items:

- Soup
- long life fruit juices
- hot chocolate
- sponge puddings
- pasta sauces
- tomato ketchup
- mayonnaise
- DEODRANT AND SHOWER GEL.

There are baskets for donation in our three churches.

ST ERCONWALD'S RED MISSION **BOXES** Please take an envelope from the porch and empty the contents your red box into it and return the envelope to the sacristy by Sunday 6th October. If you prefer to return your red box (with your name on the label) please place it in the sacristy and take a new box from the porch. If you would like to start collecting for overseas missions, please take a red box and add your name and address to the attached label on the bottom of the box as the next collection will be in February 2020. For information and to discuss Gift Aid to make your donation go further, please contact Dominic Ennis 0208 2246114.

ENCOUNTER AND ENGAGEMENT

Catholicism and Islam Saturday 28 September, 10am – 4pm. Speakers: Fr Martin McGee. St Philip Howard Centre. 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. Bring a pack lunch, refreshments will be provided. All welcome! Bring friends from other churches.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL UPDATE 2019 Do you remember **Mahinur**, the lady who fished, fully dressed in a river in Bangladesh? The river had dried up, and when the water returned, the fish did not. Thanks to your generosity, she now rears animals to sell, making compost to improve the soil quality and grow healthy crops.

THE DIFFERENCE YOU MAKE

- 1. The new project to retrain people to farm and find other vocational work is working with 3,000 families in Bangladesh
- 2. CAFOD is giving seeds, ducks, chickens, goats and sheep to the poorest families
- 3. Mahinur's disabled husband now has a strong walking aid.
- 4. He with others are attending vocational centres to teach work skills for the disabled to earn a living

Thank you for your prayers and financial support. YOU enable CAFOD and its local partners at Caritas Internationalis to reach families like Mahinur living in communities affected by the global climate emergency.

SEASON OF CREATION 1st September - 4th October. As you read this, please consider the beauty and fragility of our planet. Perhaps it could be part of grace before meals and/or family prayer this week. Taken from the LIVE SIMPLY prayer:

Compassionate and loving God, you created the world for us to share, a world of beauty and plenty Create in us a desire to live simply, so that our lives may reflect your generosity.