St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter



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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY, YEAR C 2ND OCTOBER, 2022

THEME: Faith the Size of a Mustard Seed



Beautiful statements about our faith may impress others and ourselves for a moment, but they do not change us. Inspiration to change comes from living witnesses, people who inspire us by the way they live. Often the disciples did not even understand Jesus, but they saw what he did, and how he lived. They admired him and so they asked, "Lord, make our faith grow!" People consider us practicing Christians, but the heart of the matter is whether we are believers, people of faith, close to our Lord, who live as we believe. Let us also ask: Lord, make our faith grow!

MEDITATE: The disciples came to Jesus and they said: "Increase our faith" [v.5], implying that at that moment their faith was so small that they could not do a thing.

ACT: Reconsider any task that you might have put on hold because of a lack of faith and determine to take on the task.

Pause for Thought: *Those with a grain of faith never lose hope, because they believe in the ultimate triumph of truth' [Gandhi].*

BRENT DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO THE RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE



The Relics of S. Bernadette will be at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, NW10, from 28th – 30th October.

A Brent Deanery Pilgrimage will take place on **Saturday 29th October**, walking from S. Mary Magdalen's, Willesden Green, praying the Holy Rosary, and arriving at the Willesden Shrine in good time for the Solemn Mass at 12noon. There will be the opportunity to venerate the Relics, and for those who wish, at 1.30pm, to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Gather at S. Mary Magdalen, Peter Avenue, NW1 02DD. 11.00am Procession departs, praying the Holy Rosary. 11.40pm (approx.) Procession arrives at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, Nicoll Road NW109AX 12 Noon, Solemn Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes with Sprinkling of Lourdes Water. 1.30pm Liturgy of the Anointing of the Sick.

All are asked to book online at https://stbernadette.org.uk

COMING TO MASS: COVID-19 SAFE ENVIRONMENT

[Please do NOT attend Mass if you are unwell or have any Covid symptoms]

As we have many vulnerable parishioners we ask that you **continue to wear your mask and sanistise your hands** when you come to Church. Doors will remain open for ventilation. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY
IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT GIVING ON-LINE

GIVING BY STANDING ORDER [Preferred Method]: If you would like to support the parish we would ask you to consider setting up a regular donation in this way.

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance of the Church or at the exit.
There are also a number of cashless methods now available:

Make a donation via our website:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/donate/

Via Dona [the company who supply our card readers].
https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=268

Donations, Mass Intentions and Repository payments can also be made via the card readers in Church

NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader. *You can also opt-in for **Gift Aid** to increase your donation by 25%. [If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received.]*

Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

[If you are a tax payer, please Gift Aid your donation]

THANK YOU

CHOIR / HYMN BOOKS

On behalf of myself and all who attend the 10am Mass on Sunday, I would like to thank Monica and her choir for greatly enriching our Sunday Mass. To avoid constant photocopying we have invested in new **Hymn Books** which cover the Hymns which we have been singing lately. If anyone would like to contribute towards the cost, it would be greatly appreciated. [Fr. Anthony]

CALLING ALL MUSICAL TALENTS!

We are searching for people of all ages, voices and instruments to join our parish music group. If you are interested please find Monika after the Mass or email her at mmszumilo@gmail.com.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

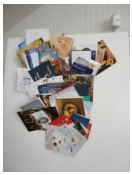


For a Church open to everyone:

We pray for the Church, that, ever faithful to the Gospel and courageous in proclaiming it, she be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

CHRISTMAS FAIR 2022

Saturday 8th October: 12.00 noon - 2.00pm and 3.00 – 5.00pm
Sunday 9th October: 11.00am – 12.30pm



This is the only opportunity to see our full range of Christmas Goods: Cards, Cribs, Candles, Children's Books, Advent Calendars and 2023 Calendars, Diaries and much more. Prices to suit all pockets. The Fair is open to all, so please tell your friends and neighbours. As we have done in the past you may reserve items.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY – WORLD FOOD CRISES APPEAL



Friday 7th October is **Harvest Fast Day**. Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As people of faith we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please use the envelope for our parish collection or you can also donate online by visiting: https://cafod.org.uk/fastday

OCTOBER ROSARY



During the month of October, the morning Mass on Wednesdays will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction at 11.00am.

WORLD MISSION DAY



"You shall be my witnesses" [Acts 1.8] is the theme for this year's World Mission Day on 23rd October. Please support *Missio* in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Please take a copy of *"Mission Today"* Autumn 2022 and join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. Please visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible: www.missio.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next "Link Mass" will be on **Saturday 15th October at 5.30pm**, the Mass of Enrolment.

SCHOOL OPEN DAYS / FORMS

For School Open Days please visit the schools' websites for details.
If you need any forms signed please see Fr. Anthony to make an appointment.

CHURCH CLEANING

The Church closes for cleaning after the 9.30am Mass on Tuesdays, if you have any spare time please come along and join us.

LITURGY FOR THE TWENTY-SEVENTH WEEK OF YEAR 2

All services can be followed online: **https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3**
[Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am Masses are recorded]

Sunday 2nd October: 27th Sunday of Year C [10.00am] Readings: 1st Reading: Habakkuk 1.2-3,2.2-4; Psalm: 94; 2nd Reading: 2Timothy 1.6-8,13-14; Gospel: Luke 17.5-10. **Intention:** People of the Parish.

Monday 3rd October: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Galatians 1.6-12; Psalm: 110; Gospel: Luke 10.25-37. **Intention:** David and Firaz Ahmed [RIP, A]

Tuesday 4th October: St. Francis of Assisi [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Galatians 6.14-18; Psalm: 15; Gospel: Matthew 11.25-30. **Intention:** Edmund Wilson [RIP]

Wednesday 5th October: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Galatians 2.1 -2,7-14; Psalm: 116; Gospel: Luke 11.1-4. **Intention:** Govan Family Intentions
Followed by Exposition, Rosary and Benediction at 11.00am

Thursday 6th October: No Service

Friday 7th October: Our Lady of the Rosary [Harvest Fast Day] [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 1.12-14; Psalm: Luke 1.46-55; Gospel: Luke 126-38. **Intention:** Anton Leo Kumar [RIP, A]

Saturday 8th October: 28th Sunday of Year C [5.30pm] Readings: 1st Reading: 2Kings 5.14-17; Psalm: 97; 2nd Reading: 2Timothy 2.8-13; Gospel: Luke 17.11-19. **Intention:** John Bradley [RIP, A]

Sunday 9th October: 28th Sunday of Year C [10.00am] Readings: 1st Reading: 2Kings 5.14-17; Psalm: 97; 2nd Reading: 2Timothy 2.8-13; Gospel: Luke 17.11-19. **Intention:** People of the Parish.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



We keep in our thoughts and prayers:
Margaret Beeby, Andrew Prindiville; Yves Remedios, Kathleen MacGinnis, Patrick Carmody, and Judith Jayawardane.
We remember also those in Kenbrook, Birchwood Grange and Brook House.

May the Lord Jesus bless, console and strengthen all the sick, and may Mary, health of the sick, intercede for them.

In case you are admitted to hospital.....

Please indicate *on entering hospital* that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain, and that you would like a visit from the RC Chaplain.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.
[*based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori]*