

## St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY, YEAR A 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2023

### THEME: A New Lease on Life.



Most of us have experienced how difficult it is to forgive. It is almost impossible. In Old English it means "give to the uttermost," "extremely," "as far as you can go." Isn't that what it really is, going all the way? Who can forget the hurt? Yet we should. Who doesn't see and feel the scars and keep the memories? And yet we shouldn't. Think of God: when he forgives, the evil belongs to the past. It is gone. God keeps no accounts. He wants us to think only of the future. Jesus did not condemn but gave new chances. During this week, let us ask for the Lord's attitude.

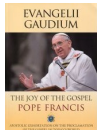
**MEDITATE:** The familiar story of the unforgiving servant is actually a commentary on the earlier passage in Matthew's gospel, the Lord's Prayer in Chapter 6.

**ACT:** Pray for those whom you hold at a distance and begin the process of forgiving them.

### 'EVANGELII GAUDIUM' DAY - HOME MISSION

Supporting the work of evangelisation in England and Wales

Theme: "Hearts on fire, feet on the move" [Luke 24.13-35]



### SEASON OF CREATION 2023

"Let Justice and Peace Flow" [Amos 5.24]



Creator God, you have called us to be a synodal Church that gives life by 'sowing justice and peace in every place it reaches'. May we always recognize that forgiveness and reconciliation are rooted in truth and justice.

### FUNERAL

With sadness we announce the death of Eileen Dowse. Her funeral will take place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00am. The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded. We offer our sympathy to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

## **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 sanitise your hands** when you come to Church.  
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 or at the exit of the Church.

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>

## **NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS**

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

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

**THANK YOU for your continued support**



## **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER**

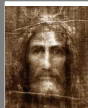
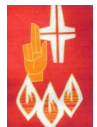
For people living on the margins

We pray for people living on the margins of society, in inhumane conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and may they never be considered of lesser importance.

## **THE LARDER**

*Thank you for your kind donations,  
especially during these difficult times.*

*Please leave your donations in the box provided by the Lady Chapel.*



## **THE SHROUD OF TURIN**

An exhibition including a full size replica of the Turin Shroud. Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> September. 10.00am – 6.00pm at All Saints, Notting Hill, W11 1JG

## **REPOSITORY**

New stock in Rosary beads, battery candles & grave ornaments. We also have cards for most occasions. Please ask if you require something that is not on display. You are welcome to browse.

## **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October: Christmas Faire

## **RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS 2023/4** **CONFIRMATION 2023**

There will be a meeting for both parents and candidates on **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

The first parents and children's session will take place on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October** at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

### **REGISTRATION FORMS**

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]**

*Are you, or is someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic, wishing to be Confirmed, married to, or about to marry a Catholic, or just wishing to know more about the Catholic faith?*

*Registration Forms are available at the back of the Church.*



### **MARRIAGE**

if you are planning on getting married, you will need to give at least **six months notice**. Engaged couples can find up-to-date information on Marriage Preparation Courses in the diocese at:

[www.rcdow.org.uk/pastoralaffairs/marriageandfamilylife/](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/pastoralaffairs/marriageandfamilylife/)

### **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00pm: Parish Council/Finance Committee Meeting

### **SCHOOL OPEN DAYS / FORMS**

For School Open Days please see noticeboard or visit the schools' websites for details.

If you need any forms signed please see Fr. Anthony to make an appointment. ***[A gentle reminder that unless you have been practicing regularly at St. Erconwald's, Fr. Anthony will not be able to sign your child's form.]***

### **QUIZ NIGHT – SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**



Come and enjoy a fun filled evening and catch up with old friends or meet some new ones. Invite your friends and relations. You can choose between buying a whole table (team of eight), entering as individuals or small groups, and we will introduce you to others to make up a team. Simply fill in the *Booking Form* and return to the box marked **Quiz** at the back of the Church by the weekend of **30<sup>th</sup> September/1<sup>st</sup> October**. We need to know final numbers by this date so that we can order the correct amount of Fish/Chicken/Sausage/Vegetarian and Chips.

[Licensed bar selling beer, wine & soft drinks from 6.30pm  
[£5 Corkage applies to any alcohol not purchased on premises]

### **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.

This is also a good way of meeting others in our parish.

## **LITURGY FOR THE 24TH WEEK OF YEAR 1 - Psalter Week 4**

[All services can be followed online: <https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3>  
[Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am and 11.30am Masses are recorded]

**Sunday 17th September: 24th Sunday, Year A: [10.00am and 11.30am]**

**Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27.30-28.7; Psalm: 102; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 14.7-9; Gospel: Matthew 18.21-35.

**Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Matt, Wallie and Pat Thompson [RIP]

**Monday 18th September: Feria [9.30am] Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 2.1-8; Psalm: 27; Gospel: Luke 7.1-10. **Intention:** Tecla Dominici [Intention]

**Tuesday 19th September: Feria [9.30am] Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 3.1-13; Psalm: 100; Gospel: Luke 7.11-17. **Intention:** Mary and Liam Sullivan [Thanksgiving]

**Wednesday 20th September: 10.00am: Funeral Mass for Eileen Dowse RIP.**  
[The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded]

**Thursday 21st September: NO SERVICE**

**Friday 22nd September: Feria [9.30am] Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 6.2-12; Psalm: 48; Gospel: Luke 8.1-3. **Intention:** Michael McMahon [RIP, A]

**Saturday 23rd September: 25th Sunday, Year A: [5.30pm] Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 55.6-9; Psalm: 114; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 1.20-24,27; Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16. **Intention:** Johnny and Peter McMenemy [RIP]

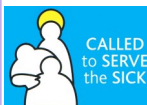
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11.30am: People of the Parish

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Margaret Beeby, Denton Allen, Radwan Naffa, Kathryn McGinnis. We remember also those in Kenbrook, Birchwood Grange and Brook House.

***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.**

Sunday - Thursday 9.00am – 4:30pm 020 8967 5130. Kindly leave a voicemail including patient's name and ward or e-mail: [LNWH-TR.CHAPLAINCY@NHS.NET](mailto:LNWH-TR.CHAPLAINCY@NHS.NET)

### **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]*