

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY, YEAR A

12TH NOVEMBER, 2023

THEME: Ready for the Lord.



When they hear that they have to be vigilant and ready for the Lord's coming many people think that they have to be ready for death so as not to be caught unaware. Much more than this is meant. We have to learn to meet the Lord now in the many ways he comes to us: as our companion on the road of life, in our neighbour, in our prayers, in the celebration of the Eucharist. These will prepare us for the final encounter. Let us pray to the Lord that he make us attentive to his constant presence among us.

MEDITATE: Today's parable is reminiscent of several similar kingdom parables found throughout Matthew's Gospel.

ACT: Set aside a regular time each day just to talk to God, meditate, write in your journal, or pray with the Scriptures.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 2023

falls on Sunday 19th November, with the theme

"Do not turn your face from anyone who is poor ." [Tobit 4.7]

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND

Thank you for so generously supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Donation envelopes are still available at the entrance and exit of the church. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan to give online.



DEMENTIA CARERS SUPPORT GROUP

Do you care for someone who is living with Dementia (incl. Alzheimer's)? We next meet in the Parish Hall on **Monday 13th November between 1.00 - 3.00pm**. COME AND BE SUPPORTED. For further information please contact Frank Arrojo on 07867 903917 (email frankj.arrojo@gmail.com).

Online meeting: **Thursday 30th November between 4.00 – 6.00pm**

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 IS THE PREFERRED METHOD

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance or at the exit of the Church.

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]

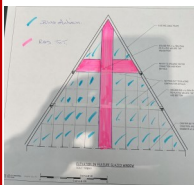
THANK YOU for your continued support

REPOSITORY

November goods now on display: a choice of cemetery candles - solar, wax or battery - cemetery statues, indoor remembrance candles and picture frames. Rosaries and rosary booklets. A selection of Advent Calendars and a good choice of Advent Candles. Confirmation cards and gifts are also on display. For baptism, Wedding Anniversaries, statues and other cards please ask a repository helper. To allow you access to the Repository, only one family/individual at a time please. Please ask if you do not see something you want. You are welcome to browse but please do not allow children to play with items.

Christmas Cards and Gifts will be available from next week.

WINDOWS RESTORATION PROJECT



Following a Westminster arranged visit, Fr. Anthony met with Andy Sheen from Exterior Plas, manufacturer and installer of windows. A Church Window Programme in three stages was agreed. First phase: Front Window to Church as it is the most urgent. It will contain energy efficient coloured glass, and the Cross will be more prominent. The next stage for us will be the submission of plans to the Diocesan Trustees for approval. Please see the blue board at the back of the Church for more details. If anyone has any suggestions, please let us know no later than 18th/19th November 2023. After that date we will submit the proposal.

RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS 2023/4
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]



The next session will take place on **Wednesday 15th November at 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

CONFIRMATION 2023

The next session for the candidates will take place on **TUESDAY 14th November, 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next "Link Mass" will take place on **SUNDAY 19th November at 11.30am**,
Theme: Liturgy of the Word

ADVENT GIVING TREE - "THE PASSAGE"



As has been our practice in the past, we hope to donate gift bags to *The Passage* this Christmas. We hope this will be possible despite the very difficult financial problems we are all experiencing. *The Passage* likes to give all the Residents in each of their Hostels the same gift bag, so all feel fairly treated. To facilitate this, we will publish a wish list of items each week [**Please do NOT wrap items**]. When we have finished collecting, we will complete the gift bags in the Hall the week before collection day.

The items to be brought next weekend are
Gents/Ladies Socks – Underwear [Thermal] and Hot-water Bottles.
[We require more men than ladies, so perhaps go for neutral colours.]

SAVE THE DAY - PARISH CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The Christmas Celebration will be held on **SATURDAY 16th DECEMBER** following the 5.30pm Mass. We are hoping that Santa will be able to take a break from his busy schedule to visit us. In addition to all this, we will hold our **Grand Christmas Draw**, great prizes. Tickets will be available soon. Details to follow.



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.*

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

For the Pope

We pray that the Holy Father, in fulfilling his mission,
may continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him,
with the help of the Holy Spirit.



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 32ND 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 12th November: 32nd Sunday, Year A: [10.00am and 11.30am]

Readings: 1st Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16; Psalm: 62; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 4.13-18; Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13

Intention: 10.00am: Benefactors

11.30am: Mary Donetti [RIP, A]

Monday 13th November: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Wisdom 1.1-7; Psalm: 138; Gospel: Luke 17.1-6. **Intention:** Jim O'Donovan [RIP, A]

Tuesday 14th November: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Wisdom 2.23-3.9; Psalm: 33; Gospel: Luke 17.7-10. **Intention:** Theresa Hayes [RIP, A]

Wednesday 15th November: Feria [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: Wisdom 6.1-11; Psalm: 81; Gospel: Luke 17.11-19. **Intention:** Agnes and Rudolf Mascrinas [RIP, A]

Thursday 16th November: NO SERVICE

Friday 17th November: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Wisdom 13.1-9; Psalm: 18; Gospel: Luke 17.26-37. **Intention:** Holy Souls

Saturday 18th November: Baptism: 10.30am: Eden Da Cunha

Saturday 18th November: 33rd Sunday, Year A: [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13,19-20,30-31; Psalm: 127; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 5.1-6; Gospel: Matthew 25. 14-30. **Intention:** Pancras and Philip Mascrinas [RIP]

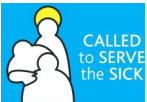
Sunday 19th November: 33rd Sunday, Year A: [10.00am and 11.30am]

Readings: 1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13,19-20,30-31; Psalm: 127; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 5.1-6; Gospel: Matthew 25. 14-30.

Intention: 10.00am: Keith Allyn Defontaine [RIP, A]

11.30am: Margaret and Helen Cornish [RIP]

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Margaret Beeby, Radwan Naffa, Kathryn McGinnis and Sheila O'Hara. 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.

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]