

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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SECOND SUNDAY, YEAR B

14TH JANUARY, 2024

THEME: Come and See



Have we Christians really encountered the Lord? Certainly, we believe in Him, we pray to Him, we hear His message proclaimed Sunday after Sunday, and have perhaps read the Gospels in private. But affecting us much more deeply is encountering the Lord in person. It is only then that a deep understanding, a warm relationship with Him and a real sense of our mission in life can be born and develop. Come, let us accept His invitation to “come and see” what he has to offer us and what he is asking of us. Let us ask

Jesus to show where he lives, who he is, and what he expects of us.

MEDITATE: John the Baptist's role in this passage is one to which we are all called in our desire to follow Jesus.

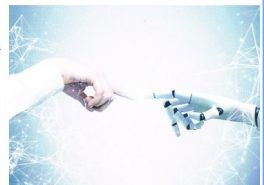
ACT: Take time for yourself during the day to be with Jesus and develop a deeper relationship with him.

PARISH MASS BOOK: The Mass can be found on page 127. The “Order of the Mass” from page 7. Sunday Preface VI [6] page 55

PEACE SUNDAY

This year's theme is: “Artificial Intelligence and Peace”. Made in God's image? How can humans make AI into a servant of peace?

The work of *Pax Christi* is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice.



For more information please contact Pax Christi on www.paxchristi.org.uk

You can also donate online.



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Will be celebrated on Sunday 21st January. The motto chosen is taken from the Gospel of St. John: “Remain in my Word” (John 8,31).

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you to all who have supported the Parish during the year, by making their offertory donation by the preferred methods of Standing Order, On-line, or by Card Reader. Thank you also to those who donate via the Planned Giving Envelopes.

As some parishioners are unable to use any of the above, and also for visitors, there will be an Offertory Collection as you leave the Church at all week-end Masses. You can also use the Card Readers placed at entrance or exit of the Church.

REPOSITORY

*Last of the 2024 Church Art Calendars are now on sale reduced to 90p.
Remaining 4 Church Diaries are available for sale.*

Also, large selection of statues, medals, rosaries and cards for all occasions. If you require a religious object or a particular card please ask a Repository Helper. You are welcome to browse. Please do not let children play with Repository items.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

For the gift of diversity in the Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults [RCIA]

Sessions will resume on **Wednesday 24th January** at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.
All are welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

The next session for parents and children will take place on
Saturday 27th January at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.
The next "Link Mass" will take place on **Sunday 18th February**
at the 11.30am Mass. Theme: Reconciliation.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to all those who helped in putting away the Cribs and the Christmas Trees.

CHRISTMAS CRIB APPEAL 2023

The Catholic Children's Society Crib Appeal helps support children and families in need throughout the diocese. £364.35 was collected.
Thank you for your support.

PALM CROSSES



In preparation for the Lenten Season please return your Palm Crosses to the church by the beginning of February for use on Ash Wednesday [14th February].

CAFOD

are looking for people to give some time and join them in their mission. Could you help in our parish, inspiring our church to help build a better world or by visiting our local schools? Or raise a voice and campaign for justice or perhaps speak for CAFOD throughout the area? Could you support local volunteers or share your admin or people skills to help CAFOD keep costs low? Training and support is provided. Visit cafod.org.uk/Volunteer or get in touch with brozycka@cafod.org.uk Or could you take part in The Big Lent Walk? cafod.org.uk/walk

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Just one world



THE LARDER

*Please leave your donations in the box provided by the Lady Chapel.
Thank you for your kind donations,*

SAVE THE DAY

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: BACON & CABBAGE

Sunday 10th March. Details to follow



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 2ND WEEK OF YEAR 2 - Psalter Week 2

[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 14th January: 2nd Sunday, Year B: [10.00/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Samuel 3.3-10,19; Psalm: 39; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 6.13-15,17-20; Gospel: John 1.35-42. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish
11.30am: Fincham & O'Toole Family Intentions

Monday 15th January: Feria: [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Sanuel 15.16-23; Psalm: 49; Gospel: Mark 2.18-22. **Intention:** Monica Drosso [RIP, A]

Tuesday 16th January: Feria [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Samuel 16.1-13; Psalm: 88; Gospel: Mark 2.23-28. **Intention:** James Campbell [RIP]

Wednesday 17th January: St. Anthony, Abbot [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ephesians 6.10-13,18; Psalm: 15; Gospel: Matthew 19.16-16. **Intention:** Rita Morrison [RIP]

Thursday 18th January: NO SERVICE

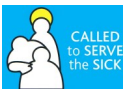
Friday 19th January: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Samuel 24.3-21; Psalm: 56; Gospel: Mark 3.13-19. **Intention:** Naomi Toji Savarimuttu [RIP]

Saturday 20th January: 10.30am: Baptism: Leander Anthony Cabral

Saturday 20th January: 3rd Sunday, Year B: [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jonah 1.1-5,10; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 7.29-31; Gospel: Mark 1.1-5,10. **Intention:** Patrick Joseph Callaghan [Intention]

Sunday 21st January: 3rd Sunday, Year B: [10.00/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jonah 1.1-5,10; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 7.29-31; Gospel: Mark 1.1-5,10. **Intention:** 10.00am: Weigan Wilson [RIP, A]
11.30am: Sonia McCarthy [RIP, A]

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



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

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

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]