

## St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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**THIRD SUNDAY, YEAR B**

**21ST JANUARY, 2024**

### **THEME: Time Is Running Out**



“Do not postpone until tomorrow what you can do today,” says an old proverb. Unfortunately, we often do the opposite, saying that there will be time enough tomorrow. God’s word, though, keeps urging us. The time to do the things of God is now. The time to change is urgent. Repent now, be converted now, God and his kingdom are here with you now. With the Lord among us we ask him to make us listen now to his Good News and to make it come true among us now.

**MEDITATE:** The first words out of Jesus’ mouth in Mark’s Gospel, “Repent, and believe”, become key themes of the whole Gospel.

**ACT:** Using the Rosary, pray the Mysteries of Light.

**PARISH MASS BOOK:** The Mass can be found on page 129. The “Order of the Mass” from page 7. Sunday Preface I [1] page 54.

### **SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

The motto chosen is taken from the Gospel of St. John: “Remain in my Word” (John 8,31).



### **CARDINAL'S APPEAL**

A special collection will be taken this weekend following Cardinal Nichol’s heartfelt appeal for our help to send urgent aid to Cardinal Pizzaballa [the Latin Patriarch] to provide assistance to Catholic, Orthodox and Muslim people struggling to survive in Gaza and the West Bank. [Funding will be available directly to the Parish Leadership through the Patriarchate]. Please use the collection boxes at the entrance and exit of the Church if you are able to donate. Thank you for your generosity. Please continue to remember all places of conflict in your prayers.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**



Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February we celebrate Candlemas Day. We will be blessing the Church Candles for the year. You are welcome to bring your own candle for it to be blessed. If you are joining us online, please have your candle ready for blessing.

## **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 24<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> January** at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.  
The next "Link Mass" will take place on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February**  
at the 11.30am Mass. Theme: Reconciliation.

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

On **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2.30pm**, Cardinal Vincent will celebrate the Annual Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes at the Cathedral, during which anointing of the sick will be offered.

Whilst a ticket is required, it can only be booked through the Parish.

There are three categories of tickets available:

- ◆ 1. Wheelchair users who require anointing,
- ◆ 2. Walking sick who require anointing,
- ◆ 3. Those assisting the sick, who **do not** require anointing.

Time is limited, so we require details ASAP and not later than **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> January**.

Please, either put your request in the boxes provided in the Church, or email: [wembley3@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:wembley3@rcdow.org.uk) [including your contact details and what category of ticket] or phone the office: 020 8904 6031.



## **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].

## **SAVE THE DAY**

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY: BACON & CABBAGE**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Details to follow**



## **ANNUAL MASS FOR MATRIMONY**

The annual Mass for Matrimony will be celebrated in the Cathedral by the Cardinal on **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm** for couples celebrating significant wedding anniversaries. Full information and invitation will be issued shortly.



## **THE LARDER**

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

## **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 3RD WEEK OF YEAR 2 - Psalter Week 3**

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

**Monday 22nd January: Feria:** [9.30am] **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2Sanuel 5.1-7,10; Psalm: 88; Gospel: Mark 3.22-30. **Intention:** Norma Jones [RIP]

**Tuesday 23rd January: Feria** [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2Samuel 6.12-15,17-19; Psalm: 23; Gospel: Mark 3.31-35. **Intention:** Mary Owen [Intention]

**Wednesday 24th January: St. Francis de Sales** [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ephesians 3.8-12; Psalm: 36; Gospel: John 15.9-17. **Intention:** O'Carroll Family Intentions.

**Thursday 25th January: NO SERVICE**

**Friday 26th January: Ss Timothy and Titus** [9.30am] **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 2Timothy 1.1-8; Psalm: 95; Gospel: Luke 10.1-9. **Intention:** John Regan [RIP]

**Saturday 27th January: 4th Sunday, Year B:** [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deuteronomy 18.15-20; Psalm: 94; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1Corinthians 7.32-35; Gospel: Mark 1.21-28. **Intention:** Maria Beatriz Foster [RIP]

**Sunday 28th January: 4th Sunday, Year B:** [10.00/11.30am] **Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Deuteronomy 18.15-20; Psalm: 94; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1Corinthians 7.32-35; Gospel: Mark 1.21-28. **Intention:** 10.00am: Eugene Donetti [RIP]  
11.30am: People of the Parish

### **PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Mary Owen, 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.**

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)

*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]*