St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C **30TH MARCH, 2025**

THEME: A Father Prodigal with His Love



Can you imagine that, when half-heartedly sorry for the stupidities of your sins, you tell God that you have come back to him, he embraces you and prepares a feast for you? It is almost like a hero's welcome! A God prodigal with his love waits for us; the past belongs to the past. Let us join in the feast of forgiveness.

MEDITATE: The father sees the errant young man and simply goes to the heart of the issue: welcome home!

ACT: At this time in your life, with whom in the story do you most identify? Why?

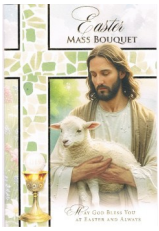
EASTER REMEMBRANCE



The Easter Vigil and the Easter Sunday Masses will be offered for the repose of the souls of our deceased relatives and friends. If you would like to have your loved ones, family members, and friends included in the intentions of these Masses, please complete the *Form* provided, and place it, together with a donation, in the box marked "Easter Remembrance". Donations go towards the decoration of the Church at Easter.

EASTER MASS BOUQUET

Signed Easter Mass Bouquet cards are available on the table near the Car Park exit door. As it is not possible to have individual Mass requests, if you wish to send an Easter Mass Bouquet to family and friends you can purchase a signed card and use the envelope provided to make a donation. All recipients will be included in the Mass Intentions on Sunday 27th April at 10.00am [Divine Mercy Sunday and St. Erconwald, our Patron], and on Sunday 4th May at 11.30am. The Masses will be live streamed and recorded.





Happy Mother's Day
to all mothers



LIVE STREAMING 24/7 - FOR YOUR AWARENESS

The sanctuary area is continuously monitored via a 24/7 livestream, serving as a focal point for prayer and contemplation for congregants who are at home. Please be aware that if you are present in this area, your image and actions will be captured on the livestream.

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS IF VISITING ST. ERCONWALD'S

There is a School Street in operation in our area from 8am - 9am and 2.30pm - 4pm. If you enter the following streets Carlton Ave. East, Elmstead Ave. and Princess Ave. during these times, you will receive a fine from the Council.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES & GIFT AID

As a new tax year is almost upon us we will be issuing the new boxes of envelopes for those who belong to the scheme, after each of the Masses this weekend. If you are away, you will be able to collect them from Fr. Anthony or Elizabeth the following week. If you have changed your home address can you please inform the office, the contact details are on the front of the newsletter, so we can amend the Parish Register and your Gift Aid details if you are a member of the scheme.

Thank you very much for all your donations, however you choose to give.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CARD & GIFT FAIR

Takes place on Saturday 5th April, 12noon–2.00pm and 3.00-5.00pm and Sunday 6th April, 12.30-2.00pm in the Parish Hall. This is the only chance to see all our stock for these two sacraments. Prayer books, Bibles, Rosaries, Medals and a selection of suitable gifts plus a wide range of Cards with prices to suit any pocket. Payment can be made via cash or card reader or cheque. Please take the opportunity to come and have a look. You are welcome to reserve items.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES



25th July – 1st August 2025 - Pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent.
Please contact Elizabeth Uwalaka on 0207 798 9173 or
lourdes@rcdow.org.uk or www.rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL 2025

For the use of new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

ANNUAL MASS FOR MATRIMONY

The annual Mass for Matrimony will be celebrated in the Cathedral by Cardinal Vincent on **Saturday 17th May at 2.30pm** for couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2025. If you qualify, please contact the Parish Office with these details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, number of years married, postal address, email (or phone number, if no email).

SEASON OF LENT - JUBILEE YEAR 2025

"We Dare to Hope"



During this Jubilee Year, "Pilgrims of Hope, we are once again invited to go on our Lenten journey. For us Christians, Lent is a time of grace, conversion, renewal and healing. Thank you for your support, and have a good Lent.

Stations of the Cross: Weekdays [except Thursdays and Saturdays] at 9.15am. Friday evening at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm.



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass. During the exposition we will follow the booklet "We Dare to Hope" There will be Benediction at 11.00am.

Rite of Penance: Every Saturday between 4.30pm and 5.00pm.

SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION WITH ABSOLUTION
Friday 11th April at 7.00pm.



CARDINAL'S LENTEN ALMS APPEAL 2025: Helps fund vital projects across our Diocese, including: Youth & Evangelisation, Social Action, Marriage & Family Life, and Catholic Education Initiatives. Cardinal Vincent has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the appeal, with whatever they can afford. Donation box and envelopes are available on the display by the Blessed Sacrament. You can use the QR code to make your donation online. [Please do **not** use the Card Readers in Church]. Thank you for your generosity.

LAURENCE'S LARDER: Please leave your donations in the boxes provided by the Lady Chapel. Thank you for your donations.

REPOSITORY: A selection of Lenten Books, Statues, various sizes, Rosaries, Crosses, Cards for all occasions. If you require assistance please ask any of the Repository helpers.



MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Tuesday 8th April at 11.00am. Followed by soup and rolls.
[This Mass is for everyone especially the sick and the elderly
There will be **NO** 9.30am Mass]

MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS
will be celebrated in the Cathedral by Bishop Paul McAleenan on
Saturday 5th April at 2.00pm.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]
Next meeting: ***Wednesday 2nd April at 7.00pm, in the Parish Hall.***
All are welcome

CHURCH CLEANING
If you have any spare time to please come along and join us after the 9.30am Mass on Tuesday mornings to help clean God's House. This is also a good way of meeting others in our parish.

LITURGY FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT - Psalter Week 4

All services can be followed online: **https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3**
Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am/11.30am Masses are recorded
[Licensing Permission: One Licence: A - 735446; CCLI: 1698960]

Sunday 30th March: Lent 4, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Joshua 5.9-12; Psalm: 34; 2nd Reading: 2Corinthians 5.17-21; Gospel: Luke 15.11-32. **Intention:** 10.00am: Nancy Riordan [RIP]
11.30am: Agnes Tiernan [Intention]

Monday 31st March: Lent Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 65.17-21; Psalm: 29; Gospel: John 4.43-54. **Intention:** Patrick Finn

Tuesday 1st April: Lent Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ezekiel 47.1-9,12; Psalm: 45; John 5.1-3,5-16. **Intention:** Teresa Cummins [RIP]

Wednesday 2nd April: Lent Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 49.8-15; Psalm: 144; Gospel: John 5.17-30. **Intention:** Pam Gill [RIP]. ***Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reflection and Benediction at 11.00am.***

Thursday 3rd April: NO SERVICE

Friday 4th April: Lent Feria [9.30am/7.00pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Wisdom 2.1,12-22; Psalm: 33; Gospel: John 7.1-2,10,25-30. **Intention: 9.30am**: Oliver Hilliard [RIP, A]; **6.30pm: Meditative Stations of the Cross. 7.00pm**: Jennie Gilmartin [RIP]

Saturday 5th April: Lent 5, Year C [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 43.16-21; Psalm: 126; 2nd Reading: Philippians 3.8-14; Gospel: John 8.1-11. **Intention:** John Pereira [RIP, A].

Sunday 6th April: Lent 5, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 43.16-21; Psalm: 126; 2nd Reading: Philippians 3.8-14; Gospel: John 8.1-11. **Intention:** 10.00am: Margaret and Barry Walsh [RIP]
11.30am: People of the Parish

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK - [for those who have asked to be remembered]



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Patrick O'Halloran, Sue McGovern, Cathy Singer, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Radwan Naffa, and Yves Remedios.

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.

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]*