St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C — 11TH MAY, 2025

THEME: Call Them by Their Name



It is very reassuring to know that our guide or community leader knows us personally and calls us by our name. It makes us say or think: He knows me and I know him. This calls for deeper trust and loyalty and love. On the Sunday of the Good Shepherd Jesus himself reminds us how he knows us personally. At the same time the fact that we know him too, at least a bit, changes our whole life. For knowing him, we know God. We experience in him God's goodness and care and close presence in everyday life. Would that we could also be near to one another and Jesus' pastors and shepherds could be close to their people.

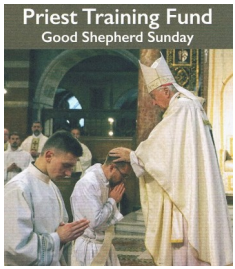
MEDITATE: Chapter 10 of John's Gospel is so important that a section of it is proclaimed in every cycle of the Lectionary. It focuses on Jesus as the model of the Good Shepherd.

ACT: Try to help a "wandering sheep" come back to the Good Shepherd.

MAY PROCESSION

at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, Nicoll Road, NW109AX.
Sunday 11th May at 3pm. Preacher, Rt. Rev. Hugh Allan, O. Praem.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION



This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our retiring collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 50 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 13 of whom are from our own Diocese. We also have 2 seminarians at the Royal English College in Valladolid. Last year 3 deacons who studied at Allen Hall were ordained priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your donation ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Donation envelopes are still available at each entrance/exit of the church. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations Thank you for your generosity.

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.

REPOSITORY

A limited number of items for **Confirmation** and **First Holy Communion** are on display. Items not displayed i.e. Bibles, Mass Books, Photograph Frames are available on request. **Other Items: Jubilee Holy Year 2025 'Pilgrims of Hope' & Carlo Acutis** items available: prayer cards, rosaries, medals and candles. **Pope Francis RIP:** favourites 'Sleeping Joseph' and 'Our Lady Untier of Knots' all on display. Other Marian items available on request. You are welcome to browse, and as always, if you require something not on display please ask a Repository helper. We have an extensive stock.

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 12th May between 12.00noon - 2.00pm**. COME AND BE SUPPORTED. For further information please contact Frank Arrojo on 07867 903917 (email frankj.arrojo@gmail.com).

Online meeting: **Thursday 29th May between 4.00 – 6.00pm**

THE LARDER

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



REGINA CAELI

["Queen of Heaven" is a prayer addressed to the Blessed Virgin Mary that is used during the Easter Season, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. During this season, the Marian Prayer takes the place of the traditional Angelus.]



V. O Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia
R. For He Whom you were worthy to bear. Alleluia

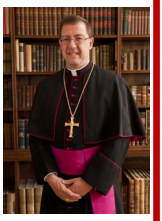
V. Has risen as He said. Alleluia
R. Pray for us to our God. Alleluia

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.
R. For the Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia.

Let us pray:
God our Father, you give joy to the world by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of his mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFIRMATION 2025

The final session for **Parents and Candidates** will take place on **TUESDAY 13th May, at 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall.



*To pray in thanksgiving for Bishop John Sherrington's ministry in our Diocese, and to ask God's blessing on him as he prepares to move to his new appointment as Archbishop of Liverpool, the Cardinal has arranged for a Mass to be celebrated in the Cathedral on **Thursday 15 May 2025 at 5.30pm**. All are welcome.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next parents and children's session will take place on **Saturday 17th May**, at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2025

For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.



SAVE THE DAY

PENTECOST SUNDAY: 8th JUNE 2025

INTERNATIONAL DAY

On the feast of Pentecost we celebrate our "Unity in Diversity" and the different cultures, food and traditions that are part of our Parish. This event is a wonderful, joyous celebration, and it requires a lot of work. We need as much help as possible. Details to follow.

FLAGS: A sheet will be provided [at the back of the Church] for you to write your country of origin. We will use the information to ensure that we have flags representing all the different parts of the world that make up our community.

ENTERTAINMENT: There will be live music. If anyone would like to contribute to the entertainment on the day, please let us know.

PARISH MAGAZINE – PENTECOST EDITION

Articles need to be in by the weekend of 24th/25th May.

WEMBLEY EVENT DAYS – MAY 2025

Sunday 11th:	Non-League Finals Day
Saturday 17th:	FA Cup Final
Sunday 18th:	Woman's FA Cup Final
Saturday 24th:	Championship Play-Off Final
Sunday 25th:	League One Play-Off Final
Monday 26th:	League Two Play-Off Final



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 FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER - 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
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Sunday 11th May: Fourth of Easter, C [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 13.14,43-52; Psalm: 100; 2nd Reading: Revelation 7.9,13,14-17; Gospel: John 10.27-30. **Intention:** 10.00am:Bartley McDonagh [RIP, A]
11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 12th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 11.1-18; Psalm: 41; Gospel: John 10.1-10. **Intention:** Mary & Eugene Murphy [RIP,A]

Tuesday 13th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 11.19-26; Psalm: 86; Gospel: John 10.22-30. **Intention:** Damien Sweeney [RIP]

Wednesday 14th May: St. Matthias [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 1.15-17,20-26; Psalm: 112; Gospel: John 15.9-17. **Intention:** Rosa Grisostomi [RIP, A]

Thursday 15th May: NO SERVICE

Friday 16th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 13.26-33; Psalm: 2; Gospel: John 14.1-6. **Intention:** Helga Ojinmah [RIP, A]

Saturday 17th May: Fifth of Easter, C [5.30pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 14.21-27; Psalm: 145; 2nd Reading: Revelation 21.1-5; Gospel: John 13.31-33,34-35. **Intention:** Bridie O'Donovan [RIP, A].

Sunday 18th May: Fifth of Easter, C [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 14.21-27; Psalm: 145; 2nd Reading: Revelation 21.1-5; Gospel: John 13.31-33,34-35. **Intention:** 10.00am:Roman Hencel [RIP, A]
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: Crystal Rozario, 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.

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]*