

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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PARISH HALL LETS: Suspended until further notice.

THE OFFICE: Closed.



FIFTH OF EASTER, YEAR B

2ND MAY 2021

THEME: Different But One In Christ

In many ways we differ from one another. Thanks to God for the riches of this variety. How sad our world would be if we were all the same, for we would see only our own image. We differ in our faces, our characters, our personalities and occupations, our language and culture, in so many things. Yet there is one thing that brings us together. We belong to Christ, we are united in him. He wants this bond to be a close union: like branches on a tree, on a life-giving vine. We are one in him with one another. We pray that this union may be close and effective.



THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

MEDITATE: As Christians, we cannot grow without attachment to the vine, that is, to Jesus Christ, and we must accept that reality. But that is not enough. We must be willing to be pruned, to be open to conversion if we are to bear fruit and bear it abundantly.

ACT: Name a relationship you need to work on because you have allowed it to become lifeless. Do whatever pruning is required to start new life and richer fruit can result. This might be with God and others.

PRAYER: Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us through the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. Amen.

Your word is our path and your truth is our light. This day and every day.

THE MONTH OF MAY AND THE ROSARY



Pope Francis is encouraging everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home within the family, in the month of May especially during this time of pandemic. On the Wednesdays in May, there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 11.00am, followed by meditative Rosary, Individual prayer time and Benediction at 11.30am. You can also follow us on-line. Please visit the website or the microsite for more information about "May Devotions" or to download the Mysteries of the Rosary and other prayers.

COMING TO MASS: COVID-19 SAFE ENVIRONMENT
PLEASE STAY AT HOME

You **must not** attend Church if you or someone you live with has cold or flu like symptoms. You **must not** attend Church if you or someone you have had contact with has tested positive for COVID-19. You **must inform** the Parish Office if you or someone you live with/have had contact with someone who tests positive for COVID -19. You **must not** mingle with people you do not live with out-side the Church after Mass.

BOOKING TO COME TO MASS

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/events/>

Booking by phone if no internet available: you can call the parish office on 020 8904 6031 [press option 2 when prompted]

(Visit website for the latest regulations for attending Mas. or see notice on Church door)

DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance of the Church or at the exit. Please no coinage at this time. There are a number of cashless methods now available:

1. Standing Order [preferred method]
2. Make a donation via our website:
<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/donate/>
3. Via Virgin Money Giving [state reason for donation in the message box].
<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/donate/>
4. Via Dona [the company who supply our card readers].
<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=268>

Donations, Mass Intentions and Repository payments can also be made via new card readers in Church

[If you are a tax payer, please Gift Aid your donation]

OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN

May Devotion to Our Lady will take place on **Sunday 9th May at 3.30pm at the Shrine**. It will include Holy Rosary and Benediction, with music from the Shrine Singers. Due to Covid Restrictions only a limited number of seats will be available for reservation. The Devotion will be livestreamed. For a link to the livestream and booking of available seats, please visit parish.rcdow.org.uk/Willesden



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

Universal Intention - The world of finance

We pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
FIRST RECONCILIATION

On Saturday 8th May, the First Holy Communion children will be making their First Reconciliation [Confession]. Please remember the children and their families in your prayers. It will be followed by a "Link Mass" at 11.00am.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available as you leave the church. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation please visit: www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

The priest is an ordinary man called to an extraordinary ministry



REPOSITORY



Currently in stock: a good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation Cards and gifts, all at reasonable prices. As well as candles, cards, etc. A selection of St. Joseph's statues, pictures, medals and prayer cards. Various statues of Our Lady, wide range of prices. Also, "Candle of Hope" price £1.60, with Pope Francis' "Prayer for Protection from Coronarvirus" on the reverse of the candle.

We continue to operate on an appointment, email, or phone call order system.

WEBINAR

A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar has been organized for the Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark and Westminster, with the cooperation of Hertfordshire County Council and Hammersmith & Fulham Council, and other local authorities. It will take place on **Saturday 15th May from 10.00am to 11.30am** and will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. The panel will share the latest information on COVID-19 vaccination. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions anonymously. To join please visit: <https://zoom.us/j/99627319596> Passcode: 546617

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.



Please do feel free to share the information in this newsletter with other members of the parish with whom you have contact.
With prayerful best wishes. Keep safe. [Fr. Anthony]

LITURGY FOR THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

At present, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Holydays of obligation remains suspended

Private Masses: Monday, Wednesday and Saturday

Public Masses: Tuesday, Friday and Sunday

All services can be followed online: <https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3>
[Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am Masses are recorded]

Sunday 2nd May: 5th of Easter, B [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 9.26-31; Psalm: 21; 2nd Reading: 1John 3.18-24; Gospel: John 15.1-8. **Intention:** People of the Parish.

Monday 3rd May: Ss Philip and James [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Corinthians 15.1-8; Psalm: 18; Gospel: John 14.6-14. **Intention:** Monica Fitzmorris [RIP, A].

Tuesday 4th May: The English Martyrs [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 7.55-60; Psalm: 30; Gospel: Matthew 10.17-22. **Intention:** For the Victims and Survivors of abuse.

Wednesday 5th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 15.1-6; Psalm: 121; Gospel: John 15.1-8. **Intention:** Francis McGrath [Intention].

Church open for Individual Prayer: 11.00 - 11.30am [with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction: Live-streamed and recorded]

Thursday 6th May: NO SERVICE

Friday 7th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 15.22-31; Psalm: 56; Gospel: John 15.12-17. **Intention:** Keith Defontaine [RIP].

Saturday 8th May: First Holy Communion "Link Mass" 11.00am

Saturday 8th May: Easter Feria [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 10.25-26,34-35,44-48; Psalm: 97; 2nd Reading: 1John 4.7-10; Gospel: John 15.9-17. **Intention:** Margaret and Tony McGrath [RIP].

Sunday 9th May: 6th of Easter, B [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 10.25-26,34-35,44-48; Psalm: 97; 2nd Reading: 1John 4.7-10; Gospel: John 15.9-17. **Intention:** Margaret Cornish [RIP, A]

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

If you are looking for a way to engage your children in the gospel from home, join CAFOD for our virtual children's liturgy of the word at 10am GMT this Sunday. Register now to take part here.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5095942131288155403>

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]