

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

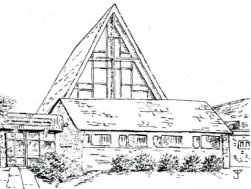
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C

6TH MARCH 2016

LITURGY THIS WEEK

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 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. The Lord forgives and forgets! Let us join in the feast of forgiveness.

PARISH MASS BOOK

The Mass can be found

Year C: page 168 / Year A: page 172

The "Order of the Mass" from page 7

Preface, pages 70 / 72

Hail, Holy Queen, page 348

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 33

[Please pray together]

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its
boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered
me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord
heard him
and rescued him from all his dis-
tress.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise and honour to you, Lord Je-
sus!

I will leave this place and go to my
father and say:

'Father, I have sinned against
heaven and against you.'

Praise and honour to you, Lord Je-
sus!

Happy Mother's
Day
to all mothers





YEAR OF MERCY - LENTEN JOURNEY

Lent is a time of grace, conversion, renewal and healing. During this season, the Church calls us to fasting and abstinence; to works of self-denial; to personal and communal worship, and to reach out to those who are less fortunate than us. Let us use this Lent and pray that we may become more aware of God's plan for our lives.

Stations of the Cross: Weekdays [except Thursdays and Saturdays] at 9.00am. Friday evening after the 7.00pm Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass. During the exposition we will follow the booklet "Lift Up Your Hearts". There will be Benediction at 11.00am.

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

The charity that is to benefit from the **LENTEN ALMS** collected in the parishes this year is *Caritas Westminster*.

REPOSITORY: A good range of Lenten/Year of Mercy booklets for young and old.

SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

Friday 18th March after the 7.00pm Mass with visiting confessors.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS [RCIA]

On Sunday, we continue with the celebration of the Scrutinies.

Please remember Lee, Diane and Gerald in your prayers.

Next meeting: Wednesday 9th March at 7.30pm in the Upper Room

VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

During Lent Fr. Anthony will be visiting the sick and housebound. If you know of anyone who is in need of a visit please see Fr. Anthony or contact the Office.

DEANERY EVENTS FOR YEAR OF MERCY

Thursday 10th March at 7.30pm. English Martyrs, Wembley. A Deanery Service of Penance, with Bishop John Sherrington [Fr. Ivano Millico to preach.]

APF/MISSIO

The Spring Issue of *Missio* is now available for collection. Could box-holders please collect their copy. Last year's contribution amounted to £1,682.82, including Direct donations but not the Mission Sunday Collection. Your continued generous support is greatly appreciated in these difficult times. Thank you to Danuta for coordinating.



ST. LAURENCE'S LARDER

For shopping list, please see notice board. Please leave your donations in the boxes provided at the back of the Church. Thank you for your continued generosity.

CONFIRMATION 2016

The next session for the candidates will be on Tuesday 8th March at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. On Tuesday 15th March at 7.30pm there will be a meeting for parents and candidates in preparation for the weekend retreat. Please be prompt. Please keep the candidates and their families in your prayers.

ST. PATRICK'S, BACON & CABBAGE CELEBRATION

Bacon & Cabbage Lunch on Sunday 13th March. Food will be served from 12.30pm to 2.00pm. After lunch there will be entertainment, amongst others by *The Waggle Taggle*, and a raffle with some fantastic prizes. Tickets: Adults £10, Senior Citizens & Children 12years and under £6; on sale after all the Masses. Please support this venture as it is in aid of the Parish Hall Fund.



EASTER FLOWERS/LILLIES



If you would like to contribute towards the Easter Flowers/Lilies in memory of someone, please write the name of the person in the Special Easter Remembrance Sheet on the table at the back of the Church and place your contribution [£3.00] in the box provided. **The 8.00pm Easter Vigil Mass; 9.00am and 11.30am Mass on Easter Sunday will be offered for all those whose names are entered in the book.**

SAVE THE DAY

PENTECOST SUNDAY: 15th MAY 2016
INTERNATIONAL DAY - GRAND RAFFLE

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS and READERS

Please sign the list at the back of the Church to let us know which of the Easter Services you will be attending so that we can compile the lists. Also, please let us know if you will be away during the period 2nd April until 26th June (by signing the separate list for this) so that we can prepare the rotas for the next 3 months.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH: 10th – 18th MARCH 2016

St. Joseph's Church, Maidenhead. You are welcome to send in your petitions and/or to request a Novena booklet. Please write to Fr. Liam Cummins MHM, St. Joseph's Missionary Society, 58 Cookham Road, Maidenhead SL6 7HT or email novena@millhillmissionaries.com See noticeboard for details.



NOTICE BOARD

ADULT FAITH FORMATION
MOUNT STREET JESUIT CENTRE, February/March events

CLEANING TEAMS: Next Week: Team 5

TIMES OF LITURGY

- SATURDAY 5th March:** 4.30pm-5.00pm: Confessions
5.30pm Mass: Bernadette Gaynor [Intention]
- SUNDAY 6th March:** 9.00am Mass: Patrick O'Hara and Family [RIP]
[4th of Lent, Year C/A] 11.30am Mass: Ajit Payne [RIP] [Second Scrutiny]
- MONDAY 7th March:** 9.30am Mass: Marty Cosgrove [Intention]
- TUESDAY 8th March:** 9.30am Mass: Bridget Dwyer [RIP]
- WEDNESDAY 9th March:** 9.30am Mass: Michael Connelly [RIP]
Followed by Exposition, Reflection and Benediction at 11.00am.
- THURSDAY 10th March:** **NO SERVICE**
- FRIDAY 11th March:** 9.30am Mass: Winifred, Martin, and Patricia Murphy [RIP]
12 noon: Marriage Service: Zoe and Willem
7.00pm Mass: Michael Bolard [RIP]
Followed by Stations of the Cross
- SATURDAY 12th March:** 10.30am: Baptism Preparation Course
4.30pm-5.00pm: Confessions
5.30pm Mass: Mary Byrne [RIP]
- SUNDAY 13th March:** 9.00am Mass: People of the Parish
[5th of Lent, Year C/A] 11.30am Mass: Bernard Mascarenhas [RIP] [Third Scrutiny]

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS

Monday to Friday between 3.00pm-4.00pm in the Church.

ROSARY

Weekdays after 9.30 am Mass.

All are welcome.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.



LITURGY FOR NEXT SUNDAY

FIFTH OF LENT, YEAR C [THIRD SCRUTINY]

Isaiah 43. 16-21; Psalm 125;
Philippians 3. 8-14;
John 8. 1-11



Each Friday we recall the events of Good Friday by fasting in some way.

In case you are admitted to hospital.....

In the light of data protection please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you. [Fr. Peter]