

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, C

15TH MAY, 2022

THEME: Love is Inventive



We are often surprised because of the things people who love us do for us or give us: it amazes us how inventive love can be. Look at God, the origin of all love: he lets his own Son become one of us; Jesus astonishes us by his love for sinners, for misfits in life, for those who suffer. He gives up his life for us. And it is that inventive love which he makes the heart of our faith and our life. If we only had a bit of love like that we could make ourselves and our world all new. It is this inventive, renewing love which Jesus comes to share with us in the Eucharist.

MEDITATE: Jesus made it very clear what kind of love he was passing on to his disciples: love that requires the offering of our very selves to one another and the larger community.

ACT: Take time to consider whether your participation in the Eucharist sufficiently reflect the deep union to which you are called.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Good Shepherd Sunday
8 May 2022



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 at each entrance to the Church. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

PRE-BAPTISM PREPARATION

will take place on **Saturday 28th May, from 10.30am – 11.30am.**

Registration forms are available online [parish website or microsite].

You can register your attendance by visiting the microsite [events].

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 16th May between 1.00-3.00pm.** COME AND BE SUPPORTED. For further information please contact Frank Arrojo on 07867 903917 (email frankj.arrojo@gmail.com).

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 wear your mask and sanitise your hands** when you come to Church. Doors will remain open for ventilation. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY **IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT GIVING ON-LINE**

GIVING BY STANDING ORDER [Preferred Method]: If you would like to support the parish we would ask you to consider setting up a regular donation in this way.

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:

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>

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

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

CARD READERS

Please note we now have installed a Card Reader at the entrance to the Church. This is in addition to the one located at the Car Park Exit/Entrance. Unfortunately, we can only accept payment via the Card Readers for the categories listed on the two pages on the Card Reader.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to everyone who has continued supporting the Parish during the pandemic. We pray that you keep well and that your faith remains strong.

REPOSITORY

Currently in stock: a good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards, Prayer Books, Rosaries and gifts, all at reasonable prices. If you don't see what you require, please ask as we are unable to display our full stock. You are welcome to have a browse. You can still order by email, or phone and we can arrange a suitable collection time if you are still self-isolating.

THE LARDER

Thank you for your kind donations.

Please leave your donations in the box provided by the Lady Chapel.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

For faith-filled young people:

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest: May they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage and the dedication to service that faith generates.



PENTECOST SUNDAY/ INTERNATIONAL DAY

On the feast of Pentecost [5th June] we celebrate our "Unity in Diversity" and the different Nationalities that are part of our Parish. Please come in your National Costume if possible. Tickets on sale after Mass: Adults £10; AOP's: £5.00 and children 12years and under free [and must be accompanied by an adult]. The money raised will go towards the Church Refurbishment Fund.



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

INTERNATIONAL CUISINE: As in the past, we are asking people to provide National Dishes. Currently, we have Indian Curry, Jerk Chicken, Home cooked Ham, and Salmon. If, your country is not covered by the above perhaps you might consider making a dish, we also need desserts and nibbles [i.e. prawn crackers etc.]

We need enough of each dish to serve 10 or more people, perhaps two or more people could cook the same dish. We would like people to volunteer to co-ordinate the food. Please complete the food sheet form at the back for the Church.

[Due to Data Protection Laws, we can no longer leave out lists as in the past, so if you could complete the forms at the back of the church to indicate your donation of food/drink. Then post these forms into the box provided, we would be most grateful.

Please, do not leave completed forms with your details on the table.]

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

RAFFLE: Tickets are on sale after Mass. 1st prize – International Hamper [Donations would be welcome, as we would like as many countries to be represented]; 2nd prize – Holy Family Statue; 3rd Prize – £40 Voucher; 4th Prize – Children's Prize; 5th Prize – Surprise Prize for those attending; and many other fantastic prizes. To be drawn on Sunday 5th June, 2022.

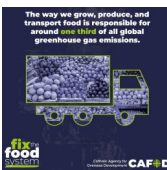
GENTLE REMINDER

Child Safeguarding Rules state that children need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian when they visit the toilet.

CLEANING GOD'S HOUSE

On Tuesday mornings after Mass, the Church closes for cleaning. If you are free to help please come and join us.

THE PARADOX OF ABUNDANCE



Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. As Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called **Fix the**

Food System. Please visit: www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information.

LITURGY FOR THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

[Copies of the Statement from the Bishops' Conference, entitled Honouring Sunday which covers information about the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday and Holydays of obligation are available on the website and microsite.]

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

Sunday 15th May: 5th of Easter, Year C [10.00am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 14.21-27; Psalm: 144; 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 21.1-5; Gospel: John 13.31-35. **Intention:** People of the Parish

Monday 16th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 14.5-18; Psalm: 113; Gospel: John 14.21-26. **Intention:** Vince Harty [RIP]

Tuesday 17th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 14.19-28; Psalm: 144; Gospel: John 14.27-31. **Intention:** Michael Horan [RIP]

Wednesday 18th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 15.1-6; Psalm: 121; Gospel: John 15.1-8. **Intention:** Ronald Fernando [RIP]

Thursday 19th May: NO SERVICE

Friday 20th May: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 15.22-31; Psalm: 56; Gospel: John 15.12-17. **Intention:** Mary De Souza [RIP]

Saturday 21st May: 6th of Easter, Year C [5.30pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 15.1-2,22-29; Psalm: 66; 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 21.10-14,22-23; Gospel: John 14.23-29. **Intention:** Margaret Tighe [RIP, A]

Sunday 22nd May: 6th of Easter, Year C [10.00am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 15.1-2,22-29; Psalm: 66; 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 21.10-14,22-23; Gospel: John 14.23-29. **Intention:** People of the Parish

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 here to take part:

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

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.

PARISH MAGAZINE – PENTECOST EDITION

Articles need to be in by the weekend of 22nd/23rd May.

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]