

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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PARISH HALL LETS: Suspended until further notice.

THE OFFICE: Closed.



THIRD OF EASTER, YEAR B

18th APRIL 2021

THEME: Marked with Wounds



Our faith in the Risen Lord is a concrete faith, a faith in someone who is risen, yes, but not a "ghost," not a figment of the imagination, but real and so much like us, in everything except sin, including wounds and scars and struggles. Is this the Jesus in whom we believe, who walks by our side on the road of life, who sustains us with his love and strength when we struggle and are wounded? For he is really risen, and he goes with us to help us start rising already now in this life above our troubles and fears and cowardice, until we are taken up in his unending joy and happiness. Let it be this Jesus with us with whom we can identify and to whom we bear witness in everyday life.

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS

MEDITATE: In order to witness effectively to God, we must first have faith in God. Faith demands that we turn our minds and hearts over to this relationship with God in our everyday lives.

ACT: Determine ways in which you will better witness to your family and friends.

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.

FEAST OF ST. ERCONWALD

Next weekend [24th/25th April], we will be celebrating the feast of our Patron, St. Erconwald.

St. Erconwald Candles are available, price £3. The proceeds go towards the Church Windows Restoration Fund



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 and every blessing. Keep safe. [Fr. Anthony]

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]

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

The priest is an ordinary man called to an extraordinary ministry



Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 20 men studying at Allen Hall seminary for our own Diocese. Last year 3 men were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ, the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available as you leave the church. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can donate online anytime at: www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

Universal Intention - Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crises.



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

The next parents and children's session will take place on Saturday
24th April, at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

CONFIRMATION

If you are 13/14 years of age or year 9 at school [or above] please [if you have not done so already] do fill in a registration form which can be found on the web-site or the microsite.

REPOSITORY

We have a good selection of First Holy Communion / Confirmation Cards and Gifts available at reasonable prices. We continue to operate on an appointment, email, or phone call system at present. You can now also pay by card, thanks to the new card readers in Church.

MISSIO

As it is not possible to return Red-Boxes at the moment, here are Missio's suggested ways for making your contribution. Please keep the missions in your prayers.

Send a cheque: payable to Missio-Mill Hill and post it to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU;

Give online or make a **bank transfer:** mission.org.uk/redbox

Call us: 020 7821 9755 during office hours to donate with your credit or debit card

Give via text: Text REDBOX 5 [to give £5] or REDBOX 10 [to give £10] to 70085 [this costs £5 or £10 plus your standard rate message]



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, and that you would like a visit from the RC Chaplain. [Fr. Peter]

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.

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD 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 18th April: 3rd of Easter, B [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 3.13-15,17-19; Psalm: 4; 2nd Reading: 1John 2.1-5; Gospel: Luke 24.35-48. **Intention:** Elaine Todd [Intention].

Monday 19th April: St. Alphege [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 6.8-15; Psalm: 118; Gospel: John 6.22-29. **Intention:** Ronald Fernando [RIP].

Tuesday 20th April: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 7.51-8.1; Psalm: 30; Gospel: John 6.30-35. **Intention:** Wilson Family Intentions.

Wednesday 21st April: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 8.1-8; Psalm: 65; Gospel: John 6.35-40. **Intention:** Giovanna Kitton [RIP, A].

Church open for Individual Private Prayer: 11.00 - 11.30am [with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament]

Thursday 22nd April: NO SERVICE

Friday 23rd April: St. George [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Apocalypse 12.10-12; Psalm: 125; Gospel: John 15.18-21. **Intention:** Charles O'Connell [Intention].

Saturday 24th April: St. Erconwald: 5.30pm **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 4.8-12; Psalm: 117; 2nd Reading: 1John 3.1-2; Gospel: John 10.11-18. **Intention:** People of the Parish.

Sunday 25th April: 4th of Easter, B [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 4.8-12; Psalm: 117; 2nd Reading: 1John 3.1-2; Gospel: John 10.11-18. **Intention:** Geraldine Burke [RIP, A].



THE LARDER

Many thanks for all your donations.

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

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]