



St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY, YEAR A

20TH SEPTEMBER, 2026

THEME: An Unbelievably Good God.



When we come to think of it, often we cannot understand God's goodness. Why is he so patient with sinners? Why does he give his gifts to people who, in our opinion, do not deserve them, or waste them? But God's ways are not our ways, his thoughts are not always our thoughts. Let us ask the Lord Jesus this week that our thoughts and actions may become more like those of God.

MEDITATE: It is nearly impossible for us to fathom the grace of God. Firstly, it is free and we cannot earn it. Secondly, it is given to all who respond to the divine invitation.

ACT: Commit to praying each day this week for a particular person in need.

HOME MISSION DAY

Theme: "Sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ."
Focuses on witnessing Christ in daily life and making a home for all who seek God.



SEASON OF CREATION 2026



This year's theme, "Living Water," comes from Ezekiel 47.9-12 - a biblical vision of hope and ecological restoration. Ezekiel's message emerged during Babylonian exile after Jerusalem's destruction. Yet his prophecy doesn't end in judgment. The river in Ezekiel 47 shows renewal, and carries distinct environmental meaning: global restoration of life, ecological healing, the interdependence of humanity and the natural world. It brings hope for both humanity and creation.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The first parents and children's session will take place on
Saturday 3rd OCTOBER, at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults [RCIA]

Are you, or is someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic, wishing to be Confirmed, married to, or about to marry a Catholic, or just wishing to know more about the Catholic faith?

Registration Forms will be available from next weekend.



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.

DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY

GIVING BY STANDING ORDER IS THE PREFERRED METHOD

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance or at the exit of the Church.

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>

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

Donations, Mass Intentions, Candles and Repository payments can also be made via the Card Readers in Church

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

QR CODE

Don't use cash? Prefer to make your offering by phone?

Scan the QR code with your smartphone.

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



**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS,
HOWEVER YOU CHOOSE TO GIVE.**



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

For the Care of Water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

THE LARDER

Thank you for your kind donations.

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



SCHOOL OPEN DAYS / FORMS

For School Open Days please visit the schools' websites for details.

If you need any forms signed please see Fr. Anthony to make an appointment.

[A gentle reminder that unless you have been practicing regularly at St. Erconwald's, Fr. Anthony will not be able to sign your child's form.]



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 21st September 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: **Friday 25th September** between 4.00 – 6.00pm

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th October
Christmas Religious Card and Gift Faire

Our full range of Advent Calendars & Candles; Christmas cards, candles both wax and battery, Nativity Sets, Nativity Tree Decorations, huge selection of Cribs and Nativity Figures. Also on sale November Grave candles, lanterns etc and 2027 Calendars [including Church Art] and Catholic pocket Diaries. Prices to suit all pockets. Parishioners can also reserve items on display. We look forward to seeing you at the Fair. The Fair is organised by the Repository Team, and all money raised goes to St. Erconwald's Church.



OCTOBER ROSARY

During the month of October the morning Mass on Wednesdays will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary and Benediction at 11.00am.

MACMILLAN COFEE MORNING

You are invited to a Macmillan Coffee Morning at The Windermere, Windermere Ave. HA9 8QT on **Sunday, 27th September 2026 between 11am – 1.30pm**. Come along and enjoy the coffee and cakes, meet up with friends all whilst raising money for MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY HARVEST APPEAL 2026

Is on **Friday 2nd October**. Please donate to our *Family Fast Day* parish collection. Put your faith into action and share the Lord's love by supporting our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your gift can support children like Tayla in Zimbabwe to stay in school by helping communities and schools provide nourishing meals, improve access to water and grow food in school gardens. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at: cafod.org.uk/envelope or call **0303 303 3030**. Envelopes and Prayer Cards will be available from next weekend.



CHURCH CLEANING

*If you have any spare time 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 THE TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK OF YEAR 2 - Psalter Week 1

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 20th September: 25th Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Isaiah 55.6-9; Psalm: 114; 2nd Reading: Philippians 1.20-24,27; Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16. **Intention:** 10.00am: Aida Pereira [Intention]
11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 21st September: St. Matthew [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ephesians 4.1-7,11-13; Psalm: 18; Gospel: Matthew 9.9-13. **Intention:** Special Intention.

Tuesday 22nd September: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Proverbs 21.1-6,10-13; Psalm: 118; Gospel: Luke 8.19-21. **Intention:** Michael McMahon [RIP, A]

Wednesday 23rd September: St. Pius of Pietrelcina [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Proverbs 30.5-9; Psalm: 118; Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20. **Intention:** Joe Dempsey [RIP]

Thursday 24th September: NO SERVICE

Friday 25th September: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 3.1-11; Psalm: 143; Gospel: Luke 9.18-22. **Intention:** Gene Moriarty [RIP].

Saturday 26th September: 26th Sunday, Year A [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ezekiel 18.25-28; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: Philippians 2.1-11; Gospel: Matthew 21.28-32. **Intention:** Modesto Mancini [RIP]

Sunday 27th September: 26th Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Ezekiel 18.25-28; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: Philippians 2.1-11; Gospel: Matthew 21.28-32. **Intention:** 10.00am: Claudette Roby [RIP]
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: Theresa Lowman, Sandra Warren, Angela Tora, Sue McGovern, Cathy Singer, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Radwan Naffa, Yves Remedios and Moya O'Reilly.

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.

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]