

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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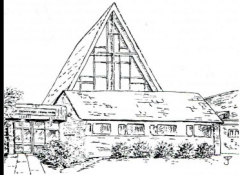
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THE OFFICE: Open Monday and Wednesday 10.00 - 12 noon.



THIRD SUNDAY, YEAR B

21ST JANUARY 2018

LITURGY THIS WEEK

THEME: Time Is Running Out

"Do not postpone until tomorrow what you can do today," says an old proverb. Unfortunately, we often do the opposite, saying that there will be time enough tomorrow. God's word, though, keeps urging us. The time to do the things of God is now. The time to change is urgent. Repent now, be converted now, God and his kingdom are here with you now. With the Lord among us we ask him to make us listen now to his Good News and to make it come true among us now.



PARISH MASS BOOK

The Mass can be found on page 129
The "Order of the Mass" from page 7
Preface VIII [8] of Sunday, page 56

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: 24

[Please pray together]

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and
teach me:
for you are God my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from
of old.

In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who
stray,
he guides the humble in the right
path;
he teaches his way to the poor.

PALM CROSSES

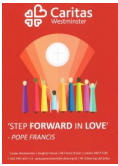
In preparation for the Lenten Season please return your Palm Crosses to the church by the beginning of February for use on Ash Wednesday [14th February].



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
The kingdom of God is close at
hand;
believe the Good News.
Alleluia!

LOVE IN ACTION: STEP FORWARD IN LOVE



On Wednesday 17th we had a follow up meeting in the Hall to reflect on the six topics, to find out which topics and which ideas had made an impression on us. Thank you to all those who came to the meeting. This bridging meeting was a chance to toss around ideas and then for us to go away and decide over the next two weeks what actions we, both individually and as a parish intend to take. We were reminded that our response involves more than just giving money. We need to get at the root causes of the injustice/problems if we are to make a long term change.

What are the needs of our parish and our local community? How can we make a difference? CAN I HELP MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Please take a few moments to think about the areas of action below and some possible responses. Having thought about them please come to the meeting and share your thoughts and help us develop our response.

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING AND A FRAMEWORK FOR ACTION

DIGNITY AND EQUALITY: What can we do to take away the pain of loneliness?

CARE OF CREATION: Recycling/use of plastic. Make good use of our property – creating a better environment around the Church and in our neighbourhood.

COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATION: Where do we see the need for greater participation? What are my gifts and talents which could be used to the advantage of the Church Community? Wider Community? Dialogue with other faiths?

DIGNITY AND RIGHTS OF WORKERS: Showing respect to all workers. Being a Fairtrade Parish, what does it really mean? Within our communities, how might we support those seeking work?

OPTION FOR THE POOR: How can we better support St. Laurence's larder; The Passage; CAFOD? Any other?

SOLIDARITY: Who in our parish or local community do we need to reach out to? How can we invite others to join us in our commitment to promote solidarity in our society?

Please see noticeboard by the Lady Chapel, or visit the Parish Website or www.stepforwardinlove.com

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 31st January 2018,
7.30pm in the Parish Hall.
ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE COME.**

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY - 28th January – Belonging: All are Welcome

ST. LAURENCE'S LARDER

Please leave your donations in the boxes provided at the back of the Church. Details on the noticeboard.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018

The next children's session will be on **Sunday 28th January at 10.00am** in the Parish Hall. The next parents' meeting will be on **Tuesday 30th January** at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Please be prompt.

CONFIRMATION 2018

The next meeting for the candidates will be on **Tuesday 23rd January** at 7.30pm in the parish Hall.

Please be prompt.

MARRIAGE

if you are planning on getting married, in this parish or elsewhere, you will need to give at least **six months notice**, Engaged couples can find up-to-date information on Marriage Preparation Courses in the diocese at www.rcdow.org.uk/pastoralaffairs/marriageandfamilylife/.

SAVE THE DAY
BRING & BUY CAKE SALE

Weekend 3rd/4th February after all the Masses

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: BACON & CABBAGE

Sunday 11th March. Details to follow

QUIZ NIGHT

Sunday 4th March 7.00pm, "The Windermere" Pub

25 CARD DRIVE

At the Green Man Pub, Slough Lane, Kingsbury, on Saturday 27th January, starting at 8.30pm. In aid of St. Luke's Hospice

FLU – NOTICE

As we are in the "Flu-Season", a little reminder re: Preventive Measures.

We know the Flu germs can survive on hands and surfaces for 24hours. Please, help to reduce the risk of spreading flu, use tissues to trap germs when you cough or sneeze, wash hands often with warm water and soap and bin used tissues. A bin has been provided at the entrance/exit doors from the Church. Please **DO NOT** leave tissues on the floor or on benches, or use the candle boxes as bins, otherwise you will still spread germs.

A reminder to **MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**. Please use the anti-bacterial gel located on the credence tables on the Sanctuary. As this takes extra time please ensure you take up your position immediately at the invitation to the "Sign of Peace".

Everyone's co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

CHURCH CLEANING
CLEANING NEXT WEEK: 1

TIMES OF LITURGY

SATURDAY 20th January:	4.30 - 5.00pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: William Doyle [RIP] 9.00am Mass: Anne Carney [RIP] 11.30am Mass: People of the Parish
SUNDAY 21st January: [3rd Sunday, B]	9.30am Mass: Norma Jones [RIP]
MONDAY 22nd January:	9.30am Mass: Bernadette Gaynor [Intention]
TUESDAY 23rd January:	9.30am Mass: Bernadette Gaynor [Intention]
WEDNESDAY 24th January: [St. Frances de Sales]	9.30am Mass: Joanna Friel [Intent]
THURSDAY 25th January:	NO SERVICE
FRIDAY 26th January: [Ss Timothy & Titus]	9.30am Mass: Kathleen Culhane [Intention] 7.00pm Mass: Michael Keane [Intention]
SATURDAY 27th January:	4.30 - 5.00pm: Confessions 5.30pm Mass: Anthony McElwee [RIP] 9.00am Mass: People of the Parish 11.30am Mass: Marie Soares [RIP]
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DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS

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

ROSARY

Weekdays after 9.30am Mass.

All are welcome.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Evangelisation: Religious Minorities in Asia

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.



LITURGY FOR NEXT SUNDAY **FOURTH SUNDAY, YEAR B**

Deuteronomy 18. 15-20; Psalm: 94;
1 Corinthians 7. 32-35
Mark 1. 21-28



WEMBLEY STADIUM EVENTS: JANUARY

Wednesday 31st Spurs v Manchester United

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

The annual Mass in honour of Our Lady of Lourdes takes place at Westminster Cathedral at 2.00pm on 10th February 2018.



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]