



St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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OFFICE: Closed.



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY, YEAR A

23RD AUGUST, 2026

THEME: In the Hands of Weak People



We may wonder at times how come that Jesus put his Church into the hands of weak, frail people, both in our leaders and in us, the members. Still, God trusts us and our leaders and promises to be with us until the end of time. God seems to trust us more than we at times trust him. Let us ask the Lord that we and our leaders may live up to that trust.

MEDITATE: It had been a busy time in Galilee for Jesus and his disciples....

ACT: How do I experience the presence of Christ in my own life?

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

[A Catholic Church Bishop Conference of England and Wales Notice]

A Private Members' Bill has been reintroduced to parliament seeking to legalise assisted suicide - the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill. There will be a **crucial vote on Friday, 11 September**. Please contact your MP to make your voice heard to oppose this Bill.

ACT NOW!

Use your smartphone camera to scan the **QR code on poster** or visit the Bishops' Conference website. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide> There you will find resources to help you **contact your MP**, read the reasons why we oppose assisted suicide, explore FAQs, and more.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2026

For Evangelisation in the City

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



THE SEASON OF CREATION

running from September 1 to October 4, 2026 - centers on the theme **"Living Water,"** inspired by the prophet Ezekiel's vision (Ezekiel 47:9, 12).



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.

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.**



THE LARDER

Thank you for your kind donations and continued support.

THE "ANGELUS"

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

R. And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done to me according to your word.

Hail Mary

V. [with head bowed] And the word was made flesh

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary....

V. Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that, we whom the incarnation of Christ your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



COLLECTION BOX

We seemed to have lost one of the collection boxes used during our offertory collection following Mass. The box was empty, as it was misplaced during the period between being emptied after the 10.00am Mass and before the collection at the end of the 11.30am Mass. The collection box is of sentimental value having been used in the old Church as well as in the current Church. Please keep an eye out in case it has been left in an unusual place. As it is part of the history of the Church, we would love to see it back in action again.

RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS – REGISTRATION FORMS 2027

for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion [May 2027]
are available at the back of the Church.

*[You must submit a photocopy of your Baptismal Certificate
if your child was not baptised in this Parish]*

The forms need to be returned by the weekend of **29th/30th August**.
[Please post in boxes, do not leave completed forms on the table].

*Children need to have attended regularly St. Erconwald's for a year,
before joining the First Holy Communion Programme.*

Rite of Christian Initiation for 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 beginning of September.

DEMENTIA CARERS SUPPORT GROUP

The next **Online Meeting** takes place on **Thursday 27th August** between 4.00 – 6.00pm. For further information please contact Frank Arrojo on 07867 903917 (email frankj.arrojo@gmail.com).



WORLD WIDE ROSARY

Radio Maria UK is hosting a World Wide Rosary on **Wednesday, 26th August at 3:00pm** at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden [1 Nicoll Road, Willesden NW10 9AX]. The Rosary will be broadcast live across our network of Radio Maria stations worldwide, with almost a billion people praying together. We warmly invite pilgrims to join us at the Shrine and bring their voices to this extraordinary moment of global prayer. Further information is available at www.RadioMaria.uk.

REPOSITORY

We have a good selection of crosses, statues, rosaries, holy pictures, books, medals and cards for most occasions. Do check out our new ECO friendly 100% plastic free packaging. Feed back would be most welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING

*As only 1 or 2 regular cleaners are NOT on holidays, please offer to help!
If you have any spare time please come along and join us after the 10.00am
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-FIRST 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 23rd August: 21st Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st

Reading: Isaiah 22.19-23; Psalm: 137; 2nd Reading: Romans 11.33-36; Gospel:

Matthew 16.13-20. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: John Pereira. [RIP]

Monday 24th August: St. Bartholomew [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Revelation 21.9-14; Psalm: 145; Gospel: John 1.45-51. **Intention:** Special Intention

Tuesday 25th August: Feria [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 2Thessalonians 2.1-3,14-17; Psalm: 95; Gospel: Matthew 23.23-26. **Intention:** Anne Dack [RIP]

Wednesday 26th August: Feria [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 2Thessalonians 3.6-10,16-18; Psalm: 127; Gospel: Matthew 23.27-32. **Intention:** Jenny Hirst [RIP].

Thursday 27th August: NO SERVICE

Friday 28th August: St. Augustine [10.00am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Corinthians 1.17-25; Psalm: 32; Gospel: Matthew 23.8-12. **Intention:** Rose Murphy [RIP].

Saturday 29th August: 22nd Sunday, Year A [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jeremiah 20.7-9; Psalm: 63; 2nd Reading: Romans 12.1-2; Gospel: Matthew 16.21-27. **Intention:** Sheila Lewis [RIP]

Sunday 30th August: 22nd Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jeremiah 20.7-9; Psalm: 63; 2nd Reading: Romans 12.1-2; Gospel: Matthew 16.21-27. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish
11.30am: Margaret and John Pereira [RIP]

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, and Yves Remedios.

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]