

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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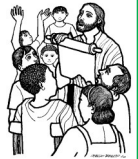


THIRD SUNDAY, YEAR C

26TH JANUARY, 2025

THEME: Proclaiming Liberty to Captives

In Church we often hear the words "salvation" or "redemption". These technical words sound difficult and remote. Jesus, whose name means "God saves," tells us today what this "saving" means: He came to bring us freedom, liberation, from all that alienates us from God and people and make us capable of liberating one another. Indeed we are created and born to be free. That is the Good News he brings us. Let Jesus present among us make us free sons and daughters of God.



MEDITATE: Today's gospel reading is the wonderful account of Jesus' ministerial debut in Nazareth, his hometown.

ACT: How do I participate in bringing "good news to the poor" and proclaiming "liberty to captives"?

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The motto chosen is taken from the Book of Psalms:
"I hope in your Word." [Ps 119.74]



PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Sunday 2nd February, we celebrate Candlemas Day. We will be blessing the Church Candles for the year. You are welcome to bring your own candle for it to be blessed.

If you are joining us online, please have your candle ready for blessing.

REPOSITORY

A range of candles are available from the Repository for those who wish to purchase one for Candlemas Day.

MONDAY 3rd FEBRUARY – SAINT BLAISE

There will be "Blessing of Throats" after the 9.30am Mass.

FUNERAL

With sadness we announce the death of Teresa Cummins. Her funeral will take place on Wednesday 29th January at 10.00am. The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded. We offer our sympathy to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION **CONFIRMATION 2025**

The next session for the candidates will take place on **TUESDAY 28th January, at 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]

Next meeting: **Wednesday 29th January at 7.00pm, in the Parish Hall.**

WORLD LEPROSY DAY - 25th/26th JANUARY

is observed internationally every year on the last Sunday of January to increase the public awareness of leprosy. This date was chosen by French humanitarian Raoul Follereau as a tribute to the life of Mahatma Gandhi who had compassion for people afflicted with leprosy. The day began to be observed in 1954. Leprosy is one of the oldest recorded diseases in the world. It is an infectious chronic disease that targets the nervous system, especially the nerves in the cooler parts of the body: the hands, feet, and face. Pope Francis has spoken in support of the observation. There will be a retiring collection this weekend in aid of Lepra. To read some real life stories of some of the beneficiaries whose lives have been changed through the work of Lepra or to donate, please visit: www.lepra.org.uk You can also use the QR Code on the Posters.



BRENT DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO ROME: **24th - 28th NOVEMBER 2025**

A pilgrimage to Rome is being organised in Brent deanery to enable us to go to Rome during the Holy Year of 2025. The cost will be £1,130 for a twin/double room on a half board basis. There are very few single rooms at £100 supplement. This price does not include lunch or baggage in the hold. For further details and payment of deposit, please visit the website at www.pilgrimagepeople.org and quote **BRENT01** when booking. When arriving at the payment page, **be sure to tick "deposit"** at the top of the page otherwise it will ask for the whole amount. Alternatively, you can phone Pilgrimage People on 0800 612 3423. **Closing date 24th February 2025.** See posters on noticeboards for details.

Please contact Pilgrimage People directly. Bookings will **not** be made through the parish office.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2025

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

PARISH REGISTER

It is important that we have your contact details on the Parish Register. Have you changed address or telephone number? Have you filled out a Parish Registration Form? When we need to speak to someone we try to do so after Mass but occasionally we need to make contact urgently. Therefore, we ask that you fill out a Parish Registration Form. **WE DO NOT GIVE OUT YOUR DETAILS.** In order to comply with Data Protection please ensure any completed forms are posted into the boxes provided at both exits. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE COMPLETED FORMS ON THE TABLES.** Thank you for your co-operation.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

On **Saturday 8th February, at 2.00pm**, Cardinal Vincent will celebrate the Annual Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes at the Cathedral, during which anointing of the sick will be offered.

Whilst a ticket is required, it can only be booked through the Parish.

There are three categories of tickets available:

- ◆ 1. Wheelchair users who require anointing,
- ◆ 2. Walking sick who require anointing,
- ◆ 3. Those assisting the sick, who **do not** require anointing.

Time is limited, so we require details ASAP and not later than **Sunday 26th January.**

Please, either put your request in the boxes provided in the Church, or email: wembley3@rcdow.org.uk [including your contact details and what category of ticket] or phone the office: 020 8904 6031.



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

25th July – 1st August 2025 - Pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent.

Please contact Elizabeth Uwalaka on 0207 798 9173 or

lourdes@rcdow.org.uk or www.rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes



WESTMINSTER WAY PILGRIM WALK

Available online are resources to walk the 'Westminster Way', including a Leader's Guide and Pilgrim Passport. This pathway takes pilgrims through Central London, in the steps of the saints as 'beacons of hope'. Starting at English Martyrs, Tower Hill and ending at Westminster Cathedral, pilgrims are invited to look closely at different expressions of sainthood and the saints who embody them. Find out more at <https://rcdow.org.uk/jubilee-2025/westminster-way/>.



LAURENCE'S LARDER

Thank you for your kind donations.

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

CHURCH CLEANING

If you have any spare time to 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 THIRD WEEK OF YEAR 1 - Psalter Week 3

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 26th January: 3rd Sunday, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st

Reading: Nehemiah 8.2-6, 8-10; Psalm: 18; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 12.12-30;

Gospel: Luke 1.1-4, 4.14-21. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Bernie Costello [RIP]

Monday 27th January: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Hebrews 9.15,24-28; Psalm: 97; Gospel: Mark 3.22-30. **Intention:** Patrick Finn [RIP]

Tuesday 28th January: St. Thomas Aquinas [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Hebrews 10.1-10; Psalm: 39; Gospel: Mark 3.31-35. **Intention:** Katheryn Lennon [Intention]

Wednesday 29th January: 10.00am: Funeral Mass for Teresa Cummins RIP. [The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded]

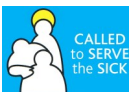
Thursday 30th January: NO SERVICE

Friday 31st January: St. John Bosco [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Hebrews 10.32-39; Psalm: 36; Gospel: Mark 4.26-34. **Intention:** Denis Buckley [RIP]

Saturday 1st February: Presentation of the Lord, Year C [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Malachi 3.1-4; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 2.14-16; Gospel: Luke 2.22-40. **Intention:** Peter Horan [RIP].

Sunday 2nd February: Presentation of the Lord, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Malachi 3.1-4; Psalm: 24; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 2.14-16; Gospel: Luke 2.22-40. **Intention:** 10.00am: Christina McHugh [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: 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.

Sunday - Friday 8.00am - 4.00pm 020 8967 5130. Kindly leave a voicemail including patient's name and ward or e-mail: LNWH-TR.CHAPLAINCY@NHS.NET

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]