

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY, YEAR B

28TH JULY, 2024

THEME: God Provides Food

The traditional sign in the scriptures that God loves us and cares for us is that he provides food for his people, usually bread, the staple food in much of the world. Can we believe this when so many go hungry? Let us first ask ourselves whether food is lacking or the distribution and sharing are bad. The bread of the Bible stands not only for food for the body but also for God's word, love, concern and presence. The most profound of these signs of God's care is the Eucharist in which Jesus keeps giving himself as our food and drink for the road of life. Let us give thanks to the Father with Jesus for this great gift.



MEDITATE: This portion of the Gospel [John 6.1-5] on the feeding of the multitude is one that is very familiar to us, and it is full of imagery pointing to Jesus being the Bread of Life.

ACT: What are some situations in which I felt overburdened, or something seemingly impossible was being asked of me? How did I respond?

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has chosen a line from Psalm 71.9: "Do not cast me off in my old age" as the theme for this year's celebration, meant to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, so often the victims of the throwaway culture.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For the Pastoral Care of the Sick

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an evermore visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



SUMMER OUTING – DAY TRIP TO BRIGHTON **WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY**

We will gather at the Church at 7.45am to leave at 8.00am.
Please be prompt.



COMING TO MASS: COVID-19 SAFE ENVIRONMENT

[Please do NOT attend Mass if you are unwell or have any Covid symptoms]

As we have many vulnerable parishioners we ask that you **continue to sanitise your hands** when you come to Church.
Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS – REGISTRATION FORMS

for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion [June 2025]
are available at the back of the Church.

The forms need to be returned by the weekend of **24th/25th August**.

Forms arriving after this date will **not** be accepted.

Forms for the Sacrament of Confirmation [May 2025]
will be available later in the year.

REPOSITORY

Cards for all occasions and small items suitable as gifts.

If you don't see what you require, please ask a repository helper as we are unable to display our full stock. You are welcome to have a browse.

LAURENCE'S LARDER

*Thank you for your kind donations,
Please leave your donations in the box provided by the Lady Chapel.*



THE "ANGELUS"

[The Angelus Promise is a spiritual exercise created to assist you to embrace the message of Our Lady, as expressed in the Angelus. It invites you to "share in the joy of the Annunciation" by following Mary's openness to God's call, through her faith-filled "yes". Through your own faith-filled "yes", the Lord will work wonders in your life.]

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 to 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.



NEW LECTIONARY

The new edition of the Lectionary for Mass, approved by the Bishops' Conferences of England, Wales and Scotland, will be published in October, and mandated for use from 1st December 2024 [1st Sunday of Advent, Year C]. From that date no other English edition of the Lectionary for Mass may be used in these countries - the ones we currently use in Church cannot be used anymore. Now in four volumes, the Lectionary uses the English Standard Version – Catholic Edition of the Bible with psalm texts taken from Abbey Psalms and Canticles and is being published by the Catholic Truth Society.



The total costs involved came to just under £1,000.00. If anyone would like to contribute towards the costs, it would be gratefully appreciated.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday/Sunday	12 th /13 th October: Bishop John Parish Visitation
Saturday/Sunday	19 th /20 th October: Christmas Card Fair
Saturday	26 th October: 10.00am: Mass for Bereaved Parents
Friday	8 th November: 7.00pm: Mass for Bereaved Parishioners
Sunday	10 th November: 10.00am: For our Benefactors.
Sunday	1 st December: New Edition of the Lectionary

SUMMER SCHEDULE

From **Monday 19th August the weekday Masses will be at 10.00am.**

There will be a Mission Appeal by the Columban Missionaries on the weekend of 24th/25th August.

During August, the Office and the Parish Hall will be closed.

The Newsletter will be available on line and on the Noticeboards.

RELIEF APPEAL

Following the destruction caused by Hurricane Beryl in the Caribbean many have been left destitute. One of our parishioners, Karen is preparing a relief package to send to her home island of Grenada. If you can donate any of the following items it would be very much appreciated.

Toiletries, nappies, sanitary towels, babies & children's summer clothes, summer T-shirts & shorts for both men and women.

NO WINTER CLOTHES PLEASE. Please place your donation into the box provided in the Church Please **DO NOT** leave bags outside the Church. The cut-off date for donations is **Saturday 17th August 2024**



MASS INTENTIONS

We are fully booked up until November.

CHURCH CLEANING

As some of our regular cleaners will be going away on holiday, 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 SEVENTEENTH 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 28th July: Seventeenth Sunday, Year B [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 2Kings 4.42-44; Psalm: 144; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4.1-6; Gospel: Mark 6.1-15.

Intention: 10.00am: Helga Oginmah [RIP, Memorial Mass]
11.30am: People of the Parish.

Monday 29th July: Ss Martha, Mary and Lazarus [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1John 4.7-16; Psalm: 33; Gospel: John 11.19-27. **Intention:** Patrick Swift [RIP]

Tuesday 30th July: Feria [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jeremiah 14.17-22; Psalm: 78; Gospel: Matthew 13.36-43. **Intention:** Shirley Kingham [RIP]

Wednesday 31st July: NO SERVICE

Thursday 1st August: NO SERVICE

Friday 2nd August: Feria [9.30am]: **Readings:** 1st Reading: Jeremiah 26.1-9; Psalm: 68; Gospel: Matthew 13.54-58. **Intention:** Anna Sullivan [Intention]

Saturday 3rd August: Eighteenth Sunday, Year B [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Exodus 16.2-4,12-15; Psalm: 77; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4.17,20-24; Gospel: Mark 6.24-35. **Intention:** Dan O'Connor [RIP].

Sunday 4th August: Eighteenth Sunday, Year B [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Exodus 16.2-4,12-15; Psalm: 77; 2nd Reading: Ephesians 4.17,20-24; Gospel: Mark 6.24-35. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish
11.30am: Eugene Donetti [RIP, A].

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Cathy Singer, Annette Rixon, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Mary Owen, Radwan Naffa, Kathryn McGinnis, Sheila O'Hara, 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.

May the Lord Jesus bless, console and strengthen all the sick, and may Mary, health of the sick, intercede for them.

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]