

St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter



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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY, YEAR A 8TH NOVEMBER, 2026

THEME: Ready for the Lord.



When they hear that they have to be vigilant and ready for the Lord's coming many people think that they have to be ready for death so as not to be caught unaware. Much more than this is meant. We have to learn to meet the Lord now in the many ways he comes to us: as our companion on the road of life, in our neighbour, in our prayers, in the celebration of the Eucharist. These will prepare us for the final encounter. Let us pray to the Lord that he make us attentive to his constant presence among us.

MEDITATE: Today's parable is reminiscent of several similar kingdom parables found throughout Matthew's Gospel.

ACT: Set aside a regular time each day just to talk to God, meditate, write in your journal, or pray with the Scriptures.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR 2026

falls on Sunday 15th November, with the theme
"The Lord is the refuge of the poor." [Psalm 14.6]

NEW HOLY WATER DISPENSERS

You may have noticed that we have two new Holy Water Dispensers installed at both entrances to the Church. They dispense from the top unlike the old dispensers. If they have been unused for a little while, you may have to place your hand underneath 3 times to activate the dispenser.

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?

The first session will take place on **Wednesday 11th NOVEMBER at 7.00pm** in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

PRE-BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

will take place on **Saturday 14th NOVEMBER from 10.30am – 11.30am**.
Registration forms are available at the back of the Church.

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/

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.

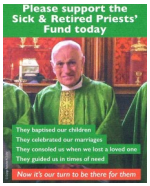
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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS, HOWEVER YOU CHOOSE TO GIVE.

THE LARDER

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

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND



The retiring collection next week will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. Caring for our brother priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a part of the mission of our Diocese. By supporting the Sick and Retired Priests' Fund you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. Donation envelopes are available at both entrances to the church. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/SRP - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan to give online. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all our clergy; active, retired and ill. Thank you.

NOVEMBER – HOLY SOULS

The Blessing graves at Carpender's Park will take place on ***Sunday 8th November, at 1.30pm****.*

Graveside Prayers are available on the website, microsite and as you leave the Church.

BENCH PLAQUES.



Following many requests, we are pleased to say that we are now taking bookings for bench plaques "In Loving Memory" of a loved one.
Forms are available at both entrances to the Church. After completing a form, please place it in one of the Wooden Collection Boxes along with your donation (*suggested donation from £150 onwards*). You may also pay by instalments if preferred, if you pick this option, please **do not use** the Card Readers to make your payment. Write "instalments" on the top of the form. **ALL MONEY RAISED WILL GO INTO THE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND**. *To comply with Data Protection Regulations*, ***DO NOT*** *leave completed forms on the tables*.
If you have any questions, please speak to Fr. Anthony, Elizabeth or Christopher.

REPOSITORY



We have a limited number of Graveyard Lanterns and candles. Also, Advent Calendars & Candles.
From next weekend some of the Christmas cards & goods that were displayed at the Christmas Fair will be available. You are welcome to browse. If you need help please speak to a Repository helper.

If you require anything please speak to a Repository helper.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER 2026



For the Proper Use of Wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

THE PASSAGE CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS - GIVING TREE



As in previous years, we will be supporting "The Passage" during Advent. We will be offering two main options for donating to this very much appreciated cause. On the weekend of the 21st/22nd November Andrew Hollingsworth will be making an appeal on behalf of "The Passage".
The "gifts" will be collected on Sunday 20th December, after the 11.30am Mass. Details to follow.

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 THIRTY-SECOND WEEK OF YEAR 2 - Psalter Week 4

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 8th November: 32nd Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Wisdom 6.12-16; Psalm: 62; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 4.13-18; Gospel: Matthew 25.1-13. **Intention:** 10.00am: Benefactors RIP
11.30am: Sheila O'Hara [RIP, A]

Monday 9th November: Lateran Basilica [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 1Corinthians 3.9-11,16-17; Psalm 46; Gospel: John 2.13-22. **Intention:** Felix De Souza [RIP, A].

Tuesday 10th November: St. Leo the Great [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Titus 2.1-8,11-14; Psalm: 36; Gospel: Matthew 16.13-19. **Intention:** Phyllis Wilson [RIP, A].

Wednesday 11th November: St. Martin of Tours [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Titus 3.1-7; Psalm: 22; Gospel: Matthew 25.31-40. **Intention:** Holy Souls.

Thursday 12th November: NO SERVICE

Friday 13th November: Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: 2John 4-9; Psalm: 118; Gospel: Luke 17.26-37. **Intention:** Jim O'Donovan [RIP, A].

Saturday 14th November: 33rd Sunday, Year A [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13,19-20,30-31; Psalm: 127; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 5.1-6; Gospel: Matthew 25. 14-30.
Intention: Marcilly and Lawrence Mascrinas [RIP, A]

Sunday 15th November: 33rd Sunday, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13,19-20,30-31; Psalm: 127; 2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 5.1-6; Gospel: Matthew 25. 14-30.
Intention: 10.00am: Mary and Pat Cafferkey [RIP, A]
11.30am: Holy Souls

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK - [for those who have asked to be remembered]



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Sandra Warren, Angela Tora, Sue McGovern, Cathy Singer, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Radwan Naffa, and Moya O'Reilly.

We remember also those in Kenbrook, Birchwood Grange and Brook House.

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]*