

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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4TH 'GOOD SHEPHERD' SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Parish News

Eucharistic Ministers

We are going to have a training day for extra Eucharistic Ministers. Fr Ruslan would like to invite all of them to come forward and indicate their intention. Active ones and those who used to do this and those who are looking forward to having this ministry. Once we know numbers, we will be setting up a date for the training. Thank you.

A CAFOD word of thanks

Shukla is a mum in Bangladesh who has been very worried about her children's nutrition. After joining a community project in Bangladesh, which is supported by CAFOD, Shukla has a productive garden and can grow food for her son. Shukla says, "worry has completely disappeared now." People support us in so many ways – giving in church, giving to us by direct debit, or leaving us a gift in their will. This generosity and compassion reaches hard-working mothers like Shukla. Thank you. To read Shukla's story, go to cafod.org.uk/GiftInWill

Red Box collections and donations

A big thank you to those of you in our Parish who have donated a total of £1432.78 to MISSIO either through Red Box cash or by Direct Debit or other means during 2022.

This amount is part of over £135,000 raised in our Diocese of Arundel & Brighton which will help in the care and support of our global family and the missionaries who serve them.

If you wish to donate in the future, please contact Dominic Ennis on 0208 2246114 (Local Parish Secretary for Red Box collections) who will be pleased to help you.

Lourdes Pilgrimage request

Applications from pilgrims requiring assistance to journey with the Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer are back to pre-Covid numbers – which is wonderful news, but it does mean we now need lots of helpers, nurses and HCA's to apply to make sure we have enough people to care for them in Lourdes. "Being a helper is an act of service that many of us do not get to offer during our day to day lives. Giving our time and care for a week in Lourdes can make such a positive impact on the life and wellbeing of the people we help, and ourselves. There are many ways that you can help someone, the first step is to apply!". Further information and a link to the application is available on the [Lourdes Pilgrimage \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](http://abdiocese.org.uk) website.

The diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 28 July to 3 August for those travelling by air, or 27 July to 4 August for those travelling by coach or jumbulance. The cost for Helpers and Clinicians is £680 (subsidised) or £850 full price. There are further subsidies which may be available.

Thank you & kind regards,
The Pilgrimage Office Team

Parish Registration form

Please remember to register with the Parish if you have not done so yet. This will help us knowing our parishioners a bit better. Please download the form from the Parish website or contact the office for a paper copy. Thank you very much!

Twitter Relaunch

We're delighted to announce the relaunch of our Twitter account so you can stay up-to-date real-time with all that is happening around the parish. Follow us at **@StErconwalds**

This weekend, Fr Ruslan will be away, and we will have the Verona Fathers saying Mass, please give them a warm welcoming. There will be a second collection.

Next Baptismal Preparation session will be 25th April at 7pm in the Hall. If you would like to attend, please contact the office to book a space.

The funeral for Nicoletta Lanzisera will take place on Wednesday 26th of April at 11am. Please keep her husband and daughters in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. RIP Nicoletta.

Next weekend, Fr Ruslan will be celebrating 2 Baptisms in our Church. One on Saturday at 11am and the second one on Sunday at 1.00pm. Please welcome these children and their families into our wonderful community. Thank you.

Also, next Saturday 25th of April, our Confirmation group will be receiving the Confirmation Sacrament in Arundel Cathedral. Please keep them in your prayers as they take the next step into their Catholic life.

Saint Vincent de Paul news

The next SVP meeting on Tuesday 25th April at 7.30pm in the church hall – has been cancelled. Please keep an eye on the newsletter for the next date. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Homelessness - How to Help

When we see someone living on the street it can be hard to know what to do, give money? give food? walk on by? Have you seen someone sleeping rough, but are unsure how you can help? There are many reasons why someone might end up homeless. StreetLink is a UK charity that helps assist those who are homeless and are sleeping rough. It is not an outreach service or an accommodation provider, nor is it an emergency service. It is the link between someone sleeping rough and the independent local services available. Find out more at <https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/streetlink.html>.

Prayer Shawls Ministry

We are meeting again in the Church Hall on Wednesday 26th of April from 2-4pm. Join us if you can, to knit or crochet. Yarn us provided. We are making 15 cm (6in) squares to be sewn together for prayer shawls and lap blankets. And this week we shall start making twiddle muffs for people with dementia. If you would like to help and cannot make the meeting, please contact Margaret (margothawkes@gmail.com)

Collection

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ thank you very much for your generosity and support to the parish. I greatly appreciate all your help and financial contribution. May God bless you all!!!

Offertory Collection 16.04.23: £361.10

Standing Orders contributions for March: 3886

Contributions via DONA for March: £210

If you would like to donate online, please see the parish bank details. Parish Account: Sort code 40 05 20
Account No 01126393, payable to RCD A&B St Erconwalds Walton on Thames.

You can also donate in the Church using our DONA device.

And please remember to make your donation Gift Aided if you can. Thank you.

Sacramental Life

Baptism	First Communion	Reconciliation
Next Baptismal Preparation session will be 25th April at 7pm in the Hall. If you would like to attend, please contact the office to book a space.	Following the teachings of the Church, children are introduced to Reconciliation during the year in which they make their first Holy Communion and are invited to celebrate this sacrament of God's healing thereafter.	In the sacrament of Reconciliation, we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. The sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available in church on Saturdays after 9.30 Mass or on request.

Catholic Education

Parish Primary School	Parish Secondary School
Cardinal Newman School Arch Road Hersham Surrey KT12 4QT TEL : 01932 222536 Email: office@cardinalnewmanschool.co.uk	Salesian School Guildford Road Chertsey Surrey KT16 9LU TEL : 01932 582520 Email: info@salesian.surrey.sch.uk

Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 24th April.

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 22 April	9.30am	Frances Rebecca Drummond RIP
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 23 April	9.15am	<u>3rd Sunday of Easter</u> Barbara Kilburn RIP
	11.15am	Good health of Thomas McGrath
Monday 24 April	9.30am	<u>St George, Martyr, Patron of England (Feast transferred from 23rd April)</u> Anne & Stanley Brown RIP
Tuesday 25 April	9.30am	<u>St Mark, Evangelist (Feast)</u> Joe & Sarah Hegarty RIP
Wednesday 26 April	11.00am	Nicoletta Lanzisera's Funeral
Thursday 27 April	NO MASS	NO MASS
Friday 28 April	9.30am	Val Fairhurst
Saturday 29 April	9.30am	<u>St Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor, Patron of Europe</u> Good health of Anne Porter
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Elena Miongoia RIP
Sunday 30 April	9.15am	<u>4th 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter</u> Win Merry RIP
	11.15am	Parishioners

Please pray for those who have asked for your prayers:

Margaret (Maggie) Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Patrick Russell, Deborah Russell, Ann Griffin, Ann Lane, Dina Yates, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Andres Gomez, Christian Misuraca, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, June Ellis, Shirley Rhodhes, John Lydon, James De Leons-Hopkins, Sheila Tickner, Teresa Azouz, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Roger Blishen, Michael Spears, Sarah Mitchell, Rita McGloin, Fr Alex Hill, Katherine Cawley, Karen Lane, Dee Wilson, Michelle Thomas, Aman Allos, Eileen White, Sophie Giannin, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Louise Nettleton

Dear Parishioners,

This section of our Newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether they are sick, housebound or just in need of extra prayer. If you would like your name or someone you know to be added to the list, then please let the office know. If you are submitting on behalf of someone else, please get their permission first. If you are sick or unwell and would like only Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter just let us know and this can be accommodated.

Fr Ruslan is very aware that we have a number of parishioners that are too poorly to come to Church. He would like to meet these parishioners at different times throughout the year in their homes. He can offer the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and anointing of the sick or just say hello. Everyone is important to us in this Church. Please reach out to either Susana in the office, Ann Meehan or Fr Ruslan himself in confidence. We will work with Fr Ruslan to try to schedule visits.

God Bless