

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Our **Confirmation** and **First Holy Communion** programmes are now underway! Please pray for all those participating, their catechists and their families. The next **Baptism** session is on **27th February** at 19:00 in the hall. To book, please contact the office.

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.

RECONCILIATION

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. This Sacrament is regularly available in church on **Saturdays after 9.30 Mass** or on request.

COLLECTIONS

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR 11/02/24: £282.77

STANDING ORDERS

JANUARY: £4332.67

PARISH BANK DETAILS

SORT CODE 40-05-20
ACCOUNT NO 01126393

DONATIONS PAYABLE TO:

RCD A&B ST ERCONWALD'S WALTON ON THAMES.

You can also donate in church using the DONA device or the QR codes in the pews. Please use Gift Aid if you can. Thank you!

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

FR JOHN CONDERY WILL BE SAYING MASS AND MAKING AN APPEAL FOR THE ST FRANCIS XAVIER FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY THIS WEEKEND.
PLEASE GIVE HIM A WARM WELCOME.

SAT 17 FEB	09:30	NO MASS
	16:45	ITALIAN MASS
	18:00	PARISHIONERS
SUN 18 FEB	09:15	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT LYNN HOWELL RIP
	11:15	RAY MATTON RIP (ANNIVERSARY)
MON 19 FEB	9:30	PHILIP WHITSIDE RIP
TUE 20 FEB	9:30	MARGARET HAWKES RIP
WED 21 FEB	09:30 ROSARY	E PRENDERGAST RIP
THU 22 FEB	NO MASS	NO MASS
FRI 23 FEB	11:30	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
	12:00	JEAN CARPENTER RIP
SAT 24 FEB	09:30	PARISHIONERS
	16:45	ITALIAN MASS
	18:00	PARISHIONERS
SUN 25 FEB	09:15	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE BHEENICK FAMILY
	11:15	BRIDGET LYDON RIP (ANNIVERSARY)



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LENT

During Lent, you may wish to participate in one of our opportunities for collective or personal prayer through Mass, Adoration, the Stations of the Cross, praying the rosary, the World Day of Prayer, Mothering Sunday and our parish penitential service. Please take a copy of our **Lent leaflet** or check online for full details including (children's) activities and our prayer focuses as a parish at <https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/lent-2024.html>.

Every Friday during Lent, there will be **Stations of the Cross** at 11.30. **Mass** will be at 12.00 followed by our **Lenten lunches** (there will be NO 9.30 Masses or Divine Mercy prayer group on Friday's during Lent).

LENTEN PRAYER AND ROSARY CHALLENGE

Ready for a challenge this Lent? Let our Lady walk with you as you become closer to her Son in daily prayer, by taking on the rosary challenge. Online on Mondays and Fridays from 16th February between 1.15 and 1.45 and after 9.30 Mass on Wednesday's in church. Rosary guides are also available in the porch for private prayer. To join please email: walton@abdiocese.org.uk

During this **Year of Prayer**, we will be praying for specific intentions each month. In Lent, our focus is on the **sick of our parish and those in hospital**. Please remember them in your prayers. If you have specific prayer intentions, add them to the **Lenten prayer book** in the porch, which will taken up with the offertory.

There are also **blank prayer intention cards** in the porch. Please use them to write your own prayer for Lent to keep yourself, to give to someone else, or to write anonymously for the sick at St Peter's hospital. This will be shared by the chaplaincy team on Palm Sunday. Participants in the **Children's liturgy** will also be writing Easter cards for the sick.

We would like to thank a parishioner and local artist, who kindly donated the **new Stations of the Cross**, for this modern interpretation now in our church. We look forward to reflecting on them throughout the Lenten season. Feedback welcome.

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PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS

DEAR PARISHIONERS

This section of our newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether 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, 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 Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter, just let us know.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Aman Allos, Teresa Azouz, Roger Blishen, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Katherine Cawley, Rose Collins, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Julia Donaldson, Mary Edenborough, June Ellis, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Michael and Cathy Flynn, Carole Frost, Carmen Galanty, Sophie Giannini, Andres Gomez, Gloria Gowen, Ann Griffin, the Hansford family, Fr Alex Hill, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Beryl Jones, Karen Lane, John Lydon, Rita McGloin, Oscar Menezes, Christian Misuraca, Sarah Mitchell, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, Shirley Rhodes, Deborah Russell, Anna Sartori, Michael Spears, Michelle Thomas, Eileen White, Dee Wilson, Dina Yates.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the deaths of two of our long-term parishioners, **Timothy O’Riordan and Margaret Hawkes**, who had been ill for quite some time. They will be greatly missed. Please pray for their families in these difficult times. Timothy’s funeral will be at St Anne’s, Chertsey on 14th March at 11:00 and afterwards at Woking Crematorium. Details about Margaret’s funeral will be announced soon. RIP.

Thank you for attending the **pancake party**. We hope you had a great time. Margaret, Mary, Marta and Makeiba were rushed off their feet making delicious pancakes for 50 people - thank you for working your kitchen magic! Funds raised have set us up for a very chocolatey Easter Egg hunt on Easter Sunday!

THIS WEEK

ALPHA continues in the hall on Monday at 19:30.

ADORATION IN THE CHURCH. During Lent, Adoration will be on Wednesday’s at 18:30, followed by Mass.

INVITED FOR LENT. The diocesan programme starts **this Thursday from 9:45-11:45** in the hall, to help us prepare for Easter. Sign up in the porch or online: <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/vx0dheqj> An online group is also available on Thurs eves; sign up here: <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/acs6cjtx>.

LENTEN LUNCHESES start this **Friday at 12:30**. Sign up sheets to provide lunch or attend are in the porch. Any donations will go to a charity selected each week. Everyone is welcome, including our younger parishioners!

FUNDRAISING/SECOND COLLECTIONS

Lent provides us with an opportunity to act in solidarity by supporting others in need.

CAFOD’s Family Fast Day is on **23rd February**. You are invited to eat a simple meal, giving the money you save to support people living in poverty to improve their lives. Second collection on 24th/25th of February.

Group 24 (**HCPT**) will also be collecting money for Lourdes.

On 2/3 March we shall have a second collection for the **Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage**.

FUNDRAISING FOR UKRAINE. On the anniversary of the invasion of Ukraine (24th Feb) we reflect not only on the atrocities of the past two years but also the ongoing armed conflict in the country’s East since February 2014. From next week we shall be selling ribbons in memory of those who have lost their lives and to raise funds for those who are still suffering the horrors of war - option to pay on DONA - suggested donation £1. Thank you for your continued prayers for a just, everlasting and comprehensive peace in Ukraine and all countries affected by war.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PLOUGHMAN’S LUNCH. This year’s confirmation candidates invite parishioners of all ages to a lunch next **Sunday 25th February** at 12:30 in the church hall. The young people will be preparing and serving the lunch. Please sign up in the porch.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. On **Friday 1st March**, our Stations of the Cross and Lenten lunch will focus on Palestine. The Methodist Church on Terrace Road will host the **Churches Together service**, written by the women of Palestine at 10:00. All are welcome.

SPRING BALL. Last chance to get your tickets to the Ball! Final numbers are due on **21st Feb** so go to <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/9itrcoob> Tickets are £75; all profits are for maintaining and running our wonderful church. Some of you are disappointed not to be able to attend but would like to contribute: you can do this via bank transfer (ref. Ball) to the parish account or on Dona. There will also be auction prizes including football shirts signed by Tibaut Courtois and Willy Caballero. Watch this space for more details on the lots and how to bid!

RED MISSION BOXES. Please return the contents of your red box to the sacristy by **Sunday 10th March**, using an envelope from the porch. If you’d like to start collecting for overseas missions, please contact Dominic Ennis on 0208 2246114. Thank you.

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan is very aware that there is 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 our parish. 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please send any newsletter/website/ social media items or any amendments to: comms.sterconwalds@gmail.com by Thursdays at 2pm for inclusion/ uploading as appropriate. All feedback is welcome.