

# ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2023

7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## Parish News

### **Church improvements update**

Improvements to our Church are making good progress!

- The wires draped along the walls have been removed or put in trunking and they are now ready for new screens.
- The old speakers have been removed from the Church walls
- The live stream camera has been mounted on the wall in front of the gallery
- Upplight niche lights in the Church have been replaced with new LED lights
- Car park lights have been fixed and external security lighting around the Church, hall and house has been installed

Very soon we will be able to give you a more detailed update on the TV screen's project!

2 companies have now been to the Church to assess the damp and we are waiting for their report so works can start. The damp is a big problem in our Church that has been left unattended for far too long. We want our Church to be here for all the new generations in our Parish and if we don't maintain our building, this will not be possible. So, thank you for all your help and generosity in the last few months. Please keep an eye on our newsletter for more updates!

### **Confirmation Group**

Today, during the 9.15 Mass, Fr Ruslan will be celebrating a Parish Welcoming Mass for the newly Confirmed young people of our community. The youngsters will be receiving their certificates during this Mass. Please join us and congratulate them on taking such an important step in their Catholic life.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**

As you could see in previous newsletters, due to an increase in utilities bills (gas, electricity, etc) as a Parish we need to generate funds to cover winter expenses which doubled in comparison with previous years. Therefore, it was decided by the Parish Finance Committee that we are going to have 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection quarterly for utilities. "Spring Utility Collection" will take place today, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> of May. If you pay online or by DONA, please chose the "Maintenance Option". We are very grateful for your contributions.

### **Eucharistic Ministers and Readers**

Thank you very much for showing an interest in the training sessions. Fr Ruslan is planning to hold his first meeting for Eucharistic Ministers on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> of June at 7.30pm in the Church and Hall. And for Readers it will be on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> of June at 7.30pm also in the Church and Hall. Please contact the office if you have any queries. Thank you.

### **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!

### **This week**

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of May, Fr Ruslan will be celebrating 1 Baptisms in our Church. Please welcome this child and her family into our wonderful community. Thank you.

Next Baptismal Preparation Session will be this Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of May at 7pm in the Church Hall. Please contact the Parish Office to book your space. Thank you.

Altar Servers training with Fr Ruslan on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> of May. 6.30pm for Primary School children and 7.30pm for Secondary School Children.

### **Saint Vincent de Paul news**

Our next SVP meeting will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of May at 7.30pm in the Hall immediately following the baptism meeting. Please note that this meeting will be focused on completing safeguarding documentation and therefore Tina O'Kelly, the parish's safeguarding lead, will be joining us. Please ensure you bring proof of identity and proof of address with you, and we can help you complete the forms.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Our next meeting is in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2pm-4pm. All welcome.

### **Diocesan run events**

**Cathedral Deanery formation for the Ministry of Welcome – Saturday 17 June 2023 9am – 12.30pm at the St Philip Howard Catholic High School, Barnham.** All welcomers, stewards, clergy and those interested in the Ministry of Welcome are invited to join a day of reflection and conversation about this important ministry. We will be considering the stewardship of our communities in the light of the Pastoral Plan and how our ministry is a sign of welcome to all. Led by Margaret Fraher, Diocesan Inclusion Adviser E: [formation@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:formation@abdiocese.org.uk) Please sign up here [Cathedral Deanery formation for the Ministry of Welcome \(17-Jun-2023\) · ChurchSuite Event](#)

**Celebrating The Feast of St Joachim & St Anne Mass & Afternoon Tea - Saturday 22 July 2023 2.30pm at Arundel Cathedral.** Pope Francis calls us to this annual celebration for Grandparents and the more senior members of our community. Please sign up here: [Celebrating the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne \(22-Jul-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#).

For more information, please contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser E: [Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk)

## 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 14.05.23: £302.69**

**Maintenance Collection on Ascension: £81.70**

**Standing Orders contributions for April: £3841**

**Contributions via DONA for April: £126**

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 <b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> of May at 7pm</b> 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. <b>The sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available in church on Saturdays after 9.30 Mass or on request.</b>

## Catholic Education

Parish Primary School	Parish Secondary School
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### Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 20 May	9.30am	Well-being of Jim and Mary Murphy
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Martin O'Shea RIP
Sunday 21 May	9.15am	<b><u>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</u></b> Ken and Marjorie Robertson RIP
	11.15am	Parishioners
Monday 22 May	9.30am Rosary	Well-being of Bill Schultz
Tuesday 23 May	9.30am Rosary	Good health of Anna Leary
Wednesday 24 May	9.30am Rosary	Good health of Frances Ryan
Thursday 25 May	NO MASS	<b><u>St Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor (Memorial)</u></b> NO MASS
Friday 26 May	9.30AM Rosary	Good health of Helen Coe
Saturday 27 May	9.30am	<b><u>St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Feast)</u></b>
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Parishioners
Sunday 28 May	9.15am	<b><u>Pentecost</u></b> Good health of the Kijowski family
	11.15am	Arnaldo Fernandes RIP

#### ***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 Rhodes, 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, Julia Donaldson*

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.