

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Please pray for all those participating in our catechetical programmes, their catechists and their families. The next Baptismal Preparation session will be in April (date TBC) 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 31/03/24 (EASTER OFFERING): £514.34

STANDING ORDERS

FEBRUARY: £4072.67

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!

CHERTSEY ABBEY WALK

Join the museum curator on the 13th April 11:30 - 12:30 for a short walk around the former abbey site and discover the stories of St. Erkenwald and St. Beocca. No booking required. Meet at the corner of Windsor Street & Colonels Lane, Chertsey.

CAFOD'S ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN CRISIS UPDATE

It's been six months since the escalation of conflict in the Holy Land. Experts are warning that Gaza is on the brink of famine and in northern Gaza 1 in 3 children below the age of 2 are now acutely malnourished. There are three ways that you can help, by donating to CAFOD's appeal, campaigning for a lasting ceasefire and joining us in prayer. Find out more at <https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/israeli-palestinian-crisis-how-you-can-help-the-people-of-gaza-today>

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

We extend our prayers to all at Lourdes, especially Fr. Ruslan and HCPT Group 24, as they seek Our Lady's intercession for healing and comfort. We ask for their safe journey, spiritual deepening, and the wellbeing of every volunteer and pilgrim there.

DIOCESAN RUN EVENTS

YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING - 20 APRIL AND 18 MAY AT THE ST PHILIP HOWARD CENTRE, CRAWLEY

Do you want to see more young people in your Parish? Sign up for the Diocesan two-day Youth Ministry Training course. Be inspired, encouraged and equipped for the new era of mission that we find ourselves in. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SEMINAR

Join us on either Saturday 13th April in Crawley or Saturday 15th June in Burgess Hill. This seminar, led by a professional from Mental Health First Aid England, is designed for anyone looking to learn how to recognise early signs of mental health issues and offer effective support. Cost - £30 (subsidised by Diocese). Reserve your spot through the event links:

[Mental Health Awareness Seminar \(13-Apr-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) or [Mental Health Awareness Seminar \(15-Jun-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](#)



ST ERCONWALDS NEWSLETTER

7 APRIL 2024

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SAT 06 APR	16:45	ITALIAN MASS
	18:00	SIDNEY AND JOAN SIMPKIN RIP
SUN 07 APR	09:15	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) PARISHIONERS
	11:15	WELLBEING OF SIMONE ELLIS
	13:00	POLISH MASS
MON 08 APR	09:30	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD (SOLEMNITY) ISABEL LEE'S INTENTIONS
TUE 09 APR	09:30	ANNE AND PATRICK RUSSELL RIP
WED 10 APR	NO MASS ROSARY	NO MASS
THU 11 APR	NO MASS	ST STANISLAUS, BISHOP, MARTYR NO MASS
FRI 12 APR	09:30 DIVINE MERCY	FRANCES RYAN'S INTENTIONS (BIRTHDAY)
SAT 13 APR	09:30	MASS
	16:45	ITALIAN MASS
	18:00	PARISHIONERS
SUN 14 APR	09:15	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES
	11:15	GOOD HEALTH AND SPEEDY RECOVERY OF FRANKY GOES

PARISH DETAILS

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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, David Cox, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Julia Donaldson, Mary Edenborough, June Ellis, Manuel and Jackie Falardo, 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.

A Message from Fr Ruslan

Dear brothers and sisters as I reflect on the topic of our annual Pilgrimage Group 24 HCPT 'Let your Light Shine', I think that it is part of our mission. To share the Light of our Lord. The light of Risen Lord transforms our heart and expels the darkness of fears and doubts. The Light that came from empty tomb, enlightens our hearts and leads us to the Glory of Risen Lord. As we are celebrating Sunday of the Divine Mercy we are invited once again to share God's Love and Light in our Community. May God's blessing and the Light of Risen Lord shine in your heart and in our community. With prayers and all the blessings from

Lourdes.

Fr Ruslan

THIS WEEK

OFFICE CLOSURE

Susana is off next week, so the office will be closed. Emails will be monitored sporadically but, in case of emergency, please contact Fr Ruslan directly.

STEPS MEETING: Tuesday 09th April at 19:30 in the Hall. If you are interested in taking part in volunteering and helping in our Church, please come along. All welcome.

NO 09:30 MASS on Wednesday, 10th of April, as Fr Ruslan will be going to St Georges to celebrate a Funeral. Please have Anne Mary Meade and her family in your prayers during these difficult times. RIP

BAPTISM: On Saturday 13th of April, Fr Ruslan will be celebrating a Baptism in our Church. Please welcome this child and his family into our wonderful community.

During the 09:15 mass on Sunday, 14th of April, our Confirmation Candidates will be having their **Mass of Election**. Please pray for them and their families as they come closer to their Confirmation date.

PARISH/DIOCESAN NEWS

APRIL PRAYER FOCUS

In this Year of Prayer, we join the Pope's global prayer initiative, dedicating April to women. We warmly invite you to join us in this focus in your own prayers. We celebrate we have been made in the image of God, either male or female. In a world yearning for justice, we lift our prayers for the advancement of fairness and equality for all women. We stand in prayer for the protection of women and girls who find themselves in vulnerable situations and we honour and support the vital and varied roles women play within our communities, acknowledging their contributions as fundamental to the weave of our communal fabric. And we ask for the intercession of our spiritual mother, Mary.

GUESS THE EGGS

The winner of Guess the Eggs in the jar was Freddie Edmondson with a guess of 285. There were 287. Thank you to everyone that entered

UPCOMING EVENTS

ALPHA COURSE

The Alpha Course starts Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm in the hall. Come and explore faith for yourself or invite others to discover our faith. Everyone is welcome! The course starts with 3 in-person sessions and continues online. For more information and to sign up: <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/xjqazrrv> or email steccalpha@outlook.com

PRAYING WITH ICONS event

Saturday 13th April between 11:00 - 12:30. Patricia Stoat has been praying with icons for many years and will explore the history of this special way of seeing icons as a way into prayer. This is an event from the National Board of Catholic women. For more information, visit: www.nbcw.co.uk/events

BISHOP RICHARD MESSAGE

As part of our Invited mission, Bishop Richard has recorded an Easter message for everyone across the Diocese. You can find it at www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan is very aware there are 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.

SAFEGUARDING

Are you a volunteer or thinking about volunteering here at St Erconwald's? Please contact Tina O'Kelly, our Safeguarding Rep on sg1.walton@abdiocese.org.uk to confirm if you already have a DBS with us or if it needs to be process. DBS checks are needed to work with children and vulnerable adults even if you have already one with another Company or school