

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish News

St Erconwald's Parish Autumn Concert - Save the Date!

We're very excited to announce that the Weybridge Male Voice Choir led by their musical director, Jonathan Kilhams, will be performing a concert at St Erconwald's at **7:30pm on Saturday 11 November!** Befitting the date, the programme will include some music for Remembrance and will also look forward to the coming season of Advent. **Tickets are £10 and they will go on sale this weekend.** They will be available after Saturday and Sunday Masses and from the Parish office during normal office hours (Tue-Fri 10-13:30). It will be an evening of the best choral music, not to be missed and an opportunity for us to get together social as a parish. We will shortly be looking for a small team of volunteers to help plan and run this concert.

Please note that as a result of the concert, there will be NO VIGIL MASS at St Erconwald's on Saturday 11 November.

Save the Date!!!! St Erconwald's Spring Ball 2024

Please come and join us on Saturday 9th March 2024 for our first ever Spring Ball!!!! This wonderful event to raise funds for our Church will take place at Silvermere's Inn on the Lake (golf club), Redhill Road, Cobham KT11 1EG. What a wonderful venue, with fantastic food and excellent music for all of us to enjoy! Tickets are £75 per head and includes a welcome drink, three course meal, tea/coffee and lots of dancing. Tickets can be purchased individually, in pairs or in groups of up to 10 people and will be sold on a first come first served basis.

For the Ball to be even more successful, we need your help! To raise as much money as we can for the Church (we need to sort out the Damp...) we need donations for the auction and raffle. If you or your business can help, please send an email to: StercsBall2024@gmail.com. Come and join us! It will be so much fun!!!!

Confirmation Program 2024

If your child is 14 years old by September 2023 or going into Yr10 and wishes to be Confirmed, please download the Confirmation Programme 2024 registration pack from the parish website. The deadline to return your completed registration forms is Sunday 12 November. Please contact the Parish Office if you need any more information. Thank you.

First Holy Communion Program 2024

Please follow the link [Sacraments - St Erconwalds](#) and download the registration pack and application form (any problems, please let the Parish office know as we can always give you a hard copy). The application forms should be returned no later than Sunday 21st October. **Any forms received after that date will NOT be considered.** If you have any queries, please get in touch with the Parish office phone (01932 221101 or 07494749833) or email(walton@abdiocese.org.uk) .

Gardening

Bulb Planting on Saturday 21st October 2pm. Please join us to plant bulbs in the long bed at church. Refreshments provided afterwards. Bring a pack of bulbs of your own choice, a trowel and gloves (or help plant the bulbs provided). Hoping that this joint effort will create a colourful display in the spring for us all to enjoy.

Next Week

- This Saturday/ Sunday (14/15th October) we have a second Collection: Prison Sunday.
- Next weekend (21/22nd of October), we will have a 2nd Collection for World Missions.
- **Fr Ruslan is taking a well-deserved break. So he will not be around next week. There will be NO MORNING MASSES next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday. The Parish office will be open as usual. But please bear in mind he will NOT be around to sign school forms next week. Apologies for any inconvenience. But we hope he has a wonderful time off.**

As there is no morning Mass this week, please ask Frances, Gill, Ian, Pilar and John for details in regard to Rosary or Divine Mercy this week. Thank you.

The Parish Pastoral Council

More news from the PPC soon!

StEPS - St Erconwald's Parish Support

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14th of November at 7pm in the Church Hall.

SAVE THE DATE - Christmas Lunch!

You may remember that a few years back, before Covid, the Care Group arranged Christmas lunches in the hall for our elderly parishioners. The StEPS group are delighted to announce that there will be a Parish Christmas Lunch on **Sunday 10th December** in the Church Hall after the 11.15am Mass. There will be Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings, some festive cheer and maybe even a special visitor! If you would like to come, or know someone who would enjoy it, please sign up at the back of the Church or drop the office an email so we can start planning.

St Vincent de Paul

We are looking for one or two people to represent the Walton Parish at the SVP meetings in Weybridge. Please let the Office know if you would be interested.

Lifts for Parishioners

As the evenings start to get darker, we are looking for volunteers who would be willing to bring parishioners to Mass and other events at Church.

Prayer Shawls

We are looking for knitters and crocheters to start joining the knitted squares together. Please contact Margaret Hawkes if you can help.

Local Connections

There are a number of opportunities to meet other retired people for tea, coffee, cakes, games, crafts and general chat in the local area.

Wednesdays 12-2 Walton Baptist Church Winchester Road - 2 course lunch £4

Thursdays 10-12 St John's Community Cafe - The Furrows

2nd Saturday month -11.30am -1pm St Mary's Walton - Soup Lunch (14th October, 11th November, 9th December)

Elmbridge Eco Hub

Based in the Elmgrove Estate, in the centre of Walton-On-Thames, Surrey, UK, we provide our community with access to a multi-functional, safe space where they can reduce waste and access many beneficial initiatives such as the Library of things, Community Fridge, Refill shop, Repair Cafe, Small item recycling, Community garden, Seed Bank, Jigsaw Swap, Book Swap.

Open 9-4 Monday, Thursday and Friday and 9-12 on Saturdays.

Diocesan run events

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar
W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

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 08.10.23: £241.85

Standing Orders contributions for September: £4061.32

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 Erconwald's 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 in November (date tbc) 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 16th October

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Saturday 14 October	9.30am	NO MASS
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Jerry & Mary O'Shea RIP (Anniversary)
Sunday 15 October	9.15am	<u>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Abolition of Modern Slavery
	11.15am	Abolition of Modern Slavery
Monday 16 October	9.30am	NO MASS
Tuesday 17 October	9.30am	<u>St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr (Memorial)</u> NO MASS
Wedn 18 October	9.30am	<u>St Luke, Evangelist (Feast)</u> NO MASS
Thursd 19 October	NO MASS	<u>St Philip Howard, Martyr, Patron of the Diocese (Solemnity)</u> NO MASS
Friday 20 October	9.30am	NO MASS
Saturday 21 October	9.30am	Malgorzata Garus RIP
	4.45pm	Italian Mass
	6.00pm	Abolition of Modern Slavery
Sunday 22 October	9.15am	<u>29th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Parishioners
	11.15am	Michael Lydon RIP (Anniversary)

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. The Rosary will be recited after Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Mass. Please stay and take part in this important time of prayer. An aid to pray the Rosary can be found in the porch. Please take one

Please pray for those who have asked for your prayers:

Margaret (Maggie) Hawkes, Anna Sartori, Rose Collins, Carmen Galanty, Deborah Russell, Ann Griffin, 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, 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, Arlo Nolan, the Hansford family, Beryl Jones, Oscar Menezes, Carole Frost.

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.