ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER 01ST OCTOBER 2023 26TH 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**! We will publish more details in the weeks ahead but do please put this date in your diary now and save the date! 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.

2nd Collection: Utility Collection

Thank you very much to everyone that contributed towards our 2nd Collection last week. We collected nearly £600!!! This will definitely help towards our bills. If you didn't contribute but you would like to do so, you still can do it. Just make sure you mark it as Utilities. Any little helps! Thank you!!!!

Red Box Holders

It is time for the second collection of the year of the contents of your Red boxes. Please would donors take an envelope from the porch, put your details on it and empty the contents of your box into the envelope and return it to the sacristy after Mass by Sunday the 1st of October at the latest.

If you prefer to return your box, please ensure that your name is on the label and place it in the sacristy and take an empty box from the porch. If you would like to start collecting for overseas missions, please contact Dominic Ennis on 02 082246114. Thank you.

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. Please contact the Parish Office if you need any more information. Thank you.

First Holy Communion Program 2024

Please follow the link <u>Sacraments - St Erconwalds</u> 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 21stOctober. **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(<u>walton@abdiocese.org.uk</u>).

AND PLEASE REMEMBER TO REGISTER WITH THE PARISH BEFORE YOU APPLIED FOR A PLACE IN ANY OF OUR PROGRAMS.

Divine Mercy

All welcome to join us every Friday after 9.30am mass to recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet which is about the timeless message of God's Merciful Love and Trust in His Divine Mercy. Jesus said to St. Faustina: "Those who honour My Mercy will receive boundless graces not only through their entire life but especially at the hour of death when I come not as a just Judge but as the Merciful Saviour."

Notice from one of our Parishioners

I am Anita, a Children's Occupational Therapist, Certified Infant Massage Instructor and Parishioner. For the past 20 years, I have worked with babies and young children who have had an eventful start in life and who need support to experience and participate in their new world. Research shows the benefits of using Baby Massage to create lasting baby/parent bonds, establish communication and support a baby's physical, emotional and social development. I am now running 5-week courses to teach parents these skills and would love to share this with new parents in the parish. All classes include a bottle of organic massage oil, handouts, plenty of time for learning and practice of strokes as well as refreshments afterwards.

Please get in touch via email - anitamreals@gmail.com - or take a look at the Roots & Blossoms Facebook page for more information.

The Parish Pastoral Council

At the PPC meeting, we spent time looking at what a missionary disciple is (as Bishop Richard encourages us all to be), and what that means and could mean for us and our parish. We also looked at the **importance of welcoming** - how that extends far beyond a welcoming face as you come into church but involves each and every one of us members of our parish community. Fr Ruslan will share much more about this in the weeks and months to come. In the meantime, Fr Ruslan invites anyone who'd like to join those who greet you as you come into church at all masses to a **reflection/training evening on Wednesday 11 October at 7.30pm**. If you're coming to mass anyway, why not consider this? Families are particularly welcome to join the team!

StEPS - St Erconwald's Parish Support

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 24.09.23: £348.04 2nd Collection 24.09.23: £579.23

Standing Orders contributions for August: £4016

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 on Friday 6 th October 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

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Cardinal Newman School	Salesian School
Arch Road	Guildford Road
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Mass Intentions and Mass Times: Week commencing 02 nd October			
Date	Time	Mass Intention	
Saturd 30 September	9.30am	St Gerome, Priest, Doctor (Memorial)	
		Tom & Christopher McGrath RIP	
	4.45pm	Italian Mass	
	6.00pm	Lorcan O'Rourke RIP	
Sunday 01 October	9.15am	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		Parishioners	
	11.15am	Vini's Intentions (Birthday)	
	1.00pm	Czeslawa Drechnowicz RIP	
	Polish Mass	Max Weston's Intentions	
Monday 02 October	9.30am	The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)	
	Rosary	Thomas Kilburn RIP (Anniversary)	
Tuesday 03 October	9.30am	Niall Cox RIP (Anniversary)	
	Rosary		
Wedn 04 October	9.30am	St Francis Of Assisi (Memorial)	
	Rosary	Marie Worrall RIP	
Thursd 05 October	NO MASS	NO MASS	
Friday 06 October	9.30am	Judith's intentions	
	Divine Mercy		
Saturd 07 October	9.30am	Our Lady of the Rosary (Memorial)	
		Judith's Intentions	
	4.45pm	Italian Mass	
	6.00pm	Parishioners	
Sunday 08 October	9.15am	27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
		Jeremy Copeman-Hill RIP (Birthday)	
	11.15am	David Crawcour RIP	

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 Rhodhes, 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.