



St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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OFFICE: Closed.



NINETEENTH SUNDAY, YEAR C

10TH AUGUST, 2025

THEME: God Is With Us



If we knew from the beginning the difficulties we would have to cope with before we could bring something to a good end, would we have had the courage to begin the work? And even then we fail at times. Yes, we would have done it and do it again if we had faith and hope and strength of character. That is what faith and hope are all about: to do what we have to do, to go on even if we are working in the dark, for if we have faith we know we are not alone. God is with us, there is a promise and a future, and the dawn will come.

MEDITATE: The discussion between Jesus and his disciples is picking up momentum. Jesus warns his disciples about what to expect. They will be persecuted because of him.

ACT: This week you might offer consciously the struggles of each day for the needs of another.

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday 15th August we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holyday of obligation. Mass times are as follows:

Vigil Mass: Thursday 14th at 7.00pm.

Day Mass: Friday at 9.30am. Masses will be live-streamed and recorded.

SAVE THE DAY: FUND RAISING - THE "FAT PACK"

will present *Swinging from the Rafters* [not literally I hope] in the Church Hall at 7.30pm **on Saturday, 20th September 2025**. Live Entertainment & Licensed Bar. **Tickets £8** – see poster. Book on line <https://www.facebook.com/fatpackswing> or see Elizabeth [A joint fundraiser for St. Erconwald's Church and Chameleon's Panto Fund]



FUNERAL

With sadness we announce the death of Charlie Grech. His funeral will take place on Tuesday 12th August, at 10.00am. The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded. We offer our sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

ROOF REPAIRS UPDATE



With the erection of scaffolding inside the Church, there is now restrictive use of the Church. **Please exercise caution when moving around the Church.** During the week [Monday to Friday except Thursday], we will need to vacate the Church immediately at the end of Mass to allow the work to continue. Your co-operation will be greatly appreciated. The roofers plan to have a break whilst Mass [9.30am-10.00am] is celebrated. There will be no work done over the Weekend, but scaffolding will still be in place so some areas will still be out of bounds. Scaffolding will also be in place in the Nursery Garden so a section of the Car Park will be cornered off as a Nursery Play Area. Once works commence we will have a better idea of what will be happening. We will keep you informed. It is hoped weather and other factors permitting that work should be completed by the beginning of September. After the works are completed the Church will not look different but we will be water tight so no more buckets, papers and towels will be seen around the Church. We will aim to keep disruption to a minimum and thank you in advance for your patience and co-operation during this time. Please see noticeboard for photos of repairs to be done. We thank you for your kind donations so far. It is really appreciated. Please note if you are using the card readers please choose 'Church Restoration Fund'. [Fr. Anthony]

REPOSITORY

Unfortunately, during this time it will not be possible to access the Repository because of its position in the Church. We will aim to have a limited number of cards for sale at the weekend i.e. Mass cards, Sympathy and Birthday Cards. Apologies for the inconvenience caused.

We wish all our customers a very happy and safe holiday.

CHURCH CLEANING

While works are in progress we will be making the following alternative cleaning arrangements.

Saturday, 16th August onwards till the end of works cleaning at 10.00am.

*If you are available to help on Saturday,
please do come and help to clean God's House at these times
Your help would be greatly appreciated at this time.*

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2025

For Mutual Coexistence



Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

LIVE STREAMING 24/7 - FOR YOUR AWARENESS

The sanctuary area is continuously monitored via a 24/7 livestream, serving as a focal point for prayer and contemplation for congregants who are at home. Please be aware that if you are present in this area, your image and actions will be captured on the livestream.

RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS – REGISTRATION FORMS

for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion [May 2026]

are available at the back of the Church.

*[You must submit a photocopy of your child's Baptismal Certificate
if your child was not baptised in this Parish]*

The forms need to be returned by the weekend of **30th/31st August.**

Forms arriving after this date will **not** be accepted.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults [RCIA]

Are you, or is someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic, wishing to be Confirmed, married to, or about to marry a Catholic, or just wishing to know more about the Catholic faith?

Registration Forms will be available later.

THE "ANGELUS"

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary

R. And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail Mary

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done to me according to your word.

Hail Mary

V. [with head bowed] And the word was made flesh

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary....

V. Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that, we whom the incarnation of Christ your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY

GIVING BY STANDING ORDER IS THE PREFERRED METHOD

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance or at the exit of the Church.

Make a donation via our website:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/donate/>

Via Dona [the company who supply our card readers].

<https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=268>

CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

Donations, Mass Intentions, Candles and Repository payments can also be made via the card readers in Church

[If you are a tax payer, please Gift Aid your donation]

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES & GIFT AID

If your circumstances have changed please do inform the Parish Office.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

LITURGY FOR NINETEENTH WEEK OF YEAR 1 - Psalter Week 3

All services can be followed online: <https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3>

Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am/11.30am Masses are recorded

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Sunday 10th August: Nineteenth Sunday, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] Readings:

1st Reading: Wisdom 18.6-9; Psalm: 33; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 11.1-2,8-19; Gospel: Luke 12.32-48. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Paul O'Brien [RIP, A]

Monday 11th August: St. Clare [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 10.12-22; Psalm: 147; Gospel: Matthew 17.22-27. **Intention:** Teresa Marah [RIP]

Tuesday 12th August: 10.00am: Funeral Mass for the Late Charlie Grech RIP. [The Mass will be live-streamed and recorded]

Wednesday 13th August: Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Deuteronomy 34.1-12; Psalm: 65; Gospel: Matthew 18.15-20. **Intention:** Special Intention

Thursday 14th August: Assumption of BVM [7.00pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Revelation 11.19,12.1-6,10; Psalm: 45; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 15.20-27; Gospel: Luke 1.39-56. **Intention:** Rita Sandarasekra [Intention]

Friday 15th August: Assumption of BVM [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Revelation 11.19,12.1-6,10; Psalm: 45; 2nd Reading: 1Corinthians 15.20-27; Gospel: Luke 1.39-56. **Intention:** Padraic Beatly [RIP]

Saturday 16th August: Twentieth Sunday, Year C [5.30pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Jeremiah 38.4-6,8-10; Psalm: 40; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12.1-4; Gospel: Luke 12.49-53. **Intention:** Seamus Diskin [RIP].

Sunday 17th August: Twentieth Sunday, Year C [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Jeremiah 38.4-6,8-10; Psalm: 40; 2nd Reading: Hebrews 12.1-4; Gospel: Luke 12.49-53. **Intention:** 10.00am: Sheila & John Wheaton [RIP, A] 11.30am: People of the Parish

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK - [for those who have asked to be remembered]



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Patrick O'Halloran, Sue McGovern, Cathy Singer, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Radwan Naffa, and Yves Remedios.

We remember also those in Kenbrook, Birchwood Grange and Brook House.

In case you are admitted to hospital....

Please indicate **on entering hospital** that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain, and that you would like a visit from the RC Chaplain.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

[based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori]