St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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THIRD OF EASTER OF YEAR B

14TH APRIL, 2024

THEME: **Marked with Wounds**



Our faith in the Risen Lord is a concrete faith, a faith in someone who is risen, yes, but not a "ghost," not a figment of the imagination, but real and so much like us, in everything except sin, including wounds and scars and struggles. Is this the Jesus in whom we believe, who walks by our side on the road of life, who sustains us with his love and strength when we struggle and are wounded? For he is really risen, and he goes with us to help us start rising already now in this life above our troubles and fears and cowardice,

until we are taken up in his unending joy and happiness. Let it be this Jesus with us with whom we can identify and to whom we bear witness in everyday life.

MEDITATE: In order to witness effectively to God, we must first have faith in God.

ACT: To whom could I do a better job of witnessing to Christ? How will I go about this?

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for Good Shepherd Sunday priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 49 men studying at Allen Hall seminary. 13 of whom are from our own Diocese. We also have one seminarian in Valladolid and one at the Beda, presently on pastoral placement in Ruislip. Last year 3 deacons were ordained for the Diocese of Westminster. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your donation



helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available at each exit of the church. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations Thank you for your generosity.

COMING TO MASS: COVID-19 SAFE ENVIRONMENT

[Please do NOT attend Mass if you are unwell or have any Covid symptoms]

As we have many vulnerable parishioners we ask that you continue to sanistise your hands when you come to Church.

Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

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

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

VARIOUS COLLECTIONS

CAFOD Lent Fast Day: £600.00 Easter Flowers: £530.00 Refurbishment Fund: £670.00 Cardinal's Lenten Alms Appeal: £210.00

Holy Places: £1,090.50 Easter Raffle: £297.00

Remaining prizes are at the back of the Church.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

PC/FC MEETING

The Parish Council and the Finance Committee will be meeting on Wednesday 17th April at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

REGINA CAELI

["Queen of Heaven" is a prayer addressed to the Blessed Virgin Mary that is used during the Easter Season, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. During this season, the Marian Prayer takes the place of the traditional Angelus.]

- V. O Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia
- R. For He Whom you were worthy to bear. Alleluia
- V. Has risen as He said. Alleluia
- R. Pray for us to our God. Alleluia
- V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia.
- R. For the Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia.

Let us pray:

God our Father, you give joy to the world by the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of his mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024

The next session for parents and children will be on <u>Saturday 20th April</u> at 10.30am in the Parish Hall.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE

Saturday 4th MAY 10.30am - 11.30am.

Registration forms are available by the main entrance of the Church.

SAVE THE DAY

INTERNATIONAL DAY - PENTECOST SUNDAY - 19th MAY 2024

On the feast of Pentecost we celebrate our "Unity in Diversity" and the different cultures, food and traditions that are part of our Parish. This event is a wonderful, joyous celebration, and it requires a lot of work. We need as much help as possible. Details on how you can help in next week's newsletter.

PARISH MAGAZINE - PENTECOST EDITION

Articles need to be in by the weekend of 27th/28th April.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 19th - 26th JULY 2024

Registration for the Westminster diocesan pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols is now open via the application form on https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/ or by contacting the Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173. Options to travel by plane, train or coach are available and there are many volunteering opportunities for those wishing to serve. All applications to join this year's pilgrimage need to be submitted by Tuesday 30th April.

<u>REPOSITORY</u>

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION CARD & GIFT FAIR

this weekend, in the Hall. [See poster for times].

Our full range will be on display. Prices to suit every pocket.
You may reserve items at the Fair.

SCHOOL REUNION

Friday 26th April, 2024: 7.00 – 9.30pm, to celebrate 70 years of St. Bernadette School. See poster for details.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

For the Role of Women
Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

CHURCH CLEANING

The Church closes for cleaning after the 9.30am Mass on Tuesdays, if you have any spare time please come along and join us.

This is also a good way of meeting others in our parish.

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER - 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]

<u>Sunday 14th April: 3rd of Easter, B</u> [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 3.13-15,17-19; Psalm: 4; 2nd Reading: 1John 2.1-5; Gospel: Luke

24.35-48. **Intention:** 10.00am: Jennifer Davis [RIP] 11.30am: People of the Parish.

Monday 15th April: Easter Feria [9.30am]: Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 6. 8-15; Psalm: 118; John 6.22-29. Intention: Brian Groom.

<u>Tuesday 16th April: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 7.51-8.1; Psalm: 30; Gospel: John 6.30-35. Intention: Alice Bozadjian [RIP, A]</u>

Wednesday 17th April: Easter Feria [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 8.1

-8; Psalm: 65; Gospel: John 6.35-40. Intention: Eileen Mitchell [RIP, A]

Thursday 18th April: NO SERVICE

Friday 19th April: St. Alphege [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 9.1-20;

Psalm: 116; Gospel: John 6.52-59. Intention: Elaine Todd [Intention]

<u>Saturday 20th April: 4th of Easter, B</u> [5.30pm] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 4.8-12; Psalm: 117; 2nd Reading: 1John 3.1-2; Gospel: John 10.11-18. **Intention:** Norah McMenamin [RIP, A].

<u>Sunday 21st April: 4th of Easter, B</u> [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 4.8-12; Psalm: 117; 2nd Reading: 1John 3.1-2; Gospel: John 10.11-18.

Intention: 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Geraldine Burke [RIP, A].

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Barbara Wilson, Mary Loftus, Martin Geary, Susan Bradley, Helga Ojinmah, Mary Owen, Margaret Beeby, Radwan Naffa, Kathryn McGinnis, Sheila O'Hara, and Yves Remedios.

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

In case you are admitted to hospital.....

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

Sunday - Thursday 9.00am - 4:30pm 020 8967 5130. Kindly leave a voicemail including patient's name and ward or e-mail: LNWH-TR.CHAPLAINCY@NHS.NET

May the Lord Jesus bless, console and strengthen all the sick, and may Mary, health of the sick, intercede for them.

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]