



## St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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### EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

14TH SEPTEMBER, 2025

#### THEME: God Raised Him On High.



Today's feast of the Exaltation of the Cross reminds us that Christians live under the sign of the cross. It is by the cross that Jesus brought us forgiveness and life. On the cross he passed through suffering, gave it meaning and overcame it by making it a way to life. God has created us for happiness, and yet we know that life is marked with a cross. Even after his resurrection Jesus bore the scars of his wounds. Our wounds and pains, too, can be bearers of life if we offer them with Jesus so that others might live and be free.

**MEDITATE:** In suffering we grow in solidarity with Christ and with those he loves.

**ACT:** Can I see God touching and meeting me in suffering?

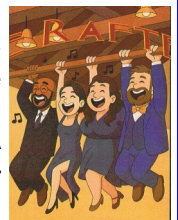
#### EDUCATION SUNDAY

The theme is "The Son of Man must be lifted up"  
taken from St John's Gospel (John 3:13-17).

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September**, Our Lady of Sorrows, is a day of prayer for peace in the Holy Land, and especially for all those who suffer in Gaza.

#### **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, 20<sup>th</sup> 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 Pan-to Fund]



#### QR CODE

Don't use cash?

Prefer to make your offering by phone?

Scan the QR code with your smartphone.

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

## **ROOF REPAIRS UPDATE**



With the erection of scaffolding at the front and back of the Church, there is restrictive use of the Church.

Please **exercise caution when moving around the Church.**

Work is nearing completion on the big front window and please God, the scaffolding will come down during the week. Repairs to the back windows and the painting of the wall is also nearing completion.

We are aiming to keep disruption to a minimum and thank you for your patience and co-operation during this time. [Fr. Anthony]

## **DONATIONS**

Donations towards this project are greatly appreciated, and we thank all those who have kindly donated so far. If you wish to donate via the Card Readers please do so under the **Church Restoration Fund** heading. You can also use the QR Code on the front of the newsletter, or displayed in the Church. If you prefer to donate via the bank, please send us an email detailing your name, date, and amount and stating that you intend your donation to go towards the Church Restoration Fund. We require this for auditing purposes. ***“Church Restoration Fund” appeal forms are also available by the Donation Boxes.***

## **REPOSITORY**

The Repository remains closed for the moment.

There will be a limited number of cards available at the weekend.

## **CHURCH CLEANING**

*While works are in progress Church cleaning will take place on **Saturdays at 10.00am.** If you are available to help on Saturday, please do come and help to clean God's House.*

***Your help would be greatly appreciated at this time.***

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, at 11.00am followed by Soup and Rolls.

### **FUND RAISING EVENT**

QUIZ NIGHT - SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> October, from 6.30pm.

### **CHRISTMAS CARD AND GIFT FAIR**

Weekend of 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> October

### **MASS FOR BEREAVED PARENTS**

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm

Followed by Refreshments in the Parish Hall

## **SCHOOL OPEN DAYS / FORMS**

Please visit the schools' websites for details.

If you need any forms signed please see Fr. Anthony to make an appointment.

***[A gentle reminder that unless you have been practicing regularly at St. Erconwald's, Fr. Anthony will not be able to sign your child's form.]***

## **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.

## **TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS IF VISITING ST. ERCONWALD'S**

*There is a School Street in operation in our area from 8am - 9am and 2.30pm - 4pm. If you enter the following streets Carlton Ave. East, Elmstead Ave. and Princess Ave. during these times, you will receive a fine from the Council.*

## **DEMENTIA CARERS SUPPORT GROUP**



Do you care for someone who is living with Dementia (incl. Alzheimer's)? We next meet in the Parish Hall on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September between 12.00noon - 2.00pm**. COME AND BE SUPPORTED. For further information please contact Frank Arrojo on 07867 903917

(email [frankj.arrojo@gmail.com](mailto:frankj.arrojo@gmail.com)).

Online meeting: **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September between 4.00 – 6.00pm**

## **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?*

*Please see Fr. Anthony for more details.*



## **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**



## **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**

**For Our Relationship With All Of Creation**

Let us pray that, inspired by St. Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

## **LITURGY FOR TWENTY-FOURTH WEEK OF YEAR 1 - Psalter Week 4**

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 14th September: Exaltation of the Cross [10.00am/11.30am] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm: 77; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 2.6-11; Gospel: John 3.13-17. **Intention:** 10.00am: Mark Featherstone [RIP, A]

11.30am: Willie, Pat and Matt Thompson [RIP, A]

### **Monday 15th September: Our Lady of Sorrows [9.30am] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Hebrews 5.7-9; Psalm: 30; Gospel: John 19.25-27. **Intention:** Annette and David Rixon [RIP, A].

### **Tuesday 16th September: Ss Cornelius and Cyprian [9.30am] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 3.1-13; Psalm: 100; Gospel: Luke 7.11-17. **Intention:** Donnetti Family Intentions

### **Wednesday 17th September: Feria [9.30am] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 3.14-16; Psalm: 110; Gospel: Luke 7.31-35. **Intention:** Sadie Burke [RIP]

### **Thursday 18th September: NO SERVICE**

### **Friday 19th September: Feria [9.30am] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 6.2-12; Psalm: 48; Gospel: Luke 8.1-3. **Intention:** Joshua Wilson [Intention]

### **Saturday 20th September: Twenty-Fifth Sunday, Year C [5.30pm] Readings:**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Amos 8.4-7; Psalm: 113; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 2.1-8; Gospel: Luke 16.1-13. **Intention:** Juliete and Nassir Haifi [RIP, A].

### **Sunday 21st September: Twenty-Fifth Sunday, Year C [10.00am/11.30am]**

**Readings:** 1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Amos 8.4-7; Psalm: 113; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1Timothy 2.1-8; Gospel: Luke 16.1-13. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish

11.30am: Reg Fobler [RIP, A]

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



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Magdalene Davis, Michael Andrew, 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.**

*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]*