



St. Erconwald's Parish Newsletter

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

26TH APRIL, 2026

THEME: He Calls Us by Name

It is great to know that someone knows you by your first name, for that is already a sign of love. If this person is someone you trust, you can put yourself in his/her hands and feel very safe. Jesus presents himself today as a friend who knows and calls us to walk with him the road of life. He sticks to us through thick and thin; he shows us the way to follow. Under his leadership we can truly be a people, God's people. With Jesus, our Good Shepherd, we celebrate the Eucharist and learn from him to care for one another.



MEDITATE: In the time of Jesus, at the end of each day, all the shepherds would bring their flocks together for the night.

ACT: Recall times in your life when you were in a crises. Pray in thanksgiving for anyone who was like a Good Shepherd to you.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION

Please support the Priest Training Fund today



Your gift now will help the priests of tomorrow

To donate, scan the QR code or visit rcdow.org.uk/PriestTrainingFund



This weekend, there will be a retiring collection for the Priest Training Fund. This fund plays a crucial role in supporting men who are discerning and preparing for the priesthood. Their formation includes academic study, spiritual development, and pastoral training - all of which are essential for their future ministry. As we reflect on Christ as the Good Shepherd, we are reminded that He continues to call shepherds for His Church today. Please keep our seminarians and those considering this calling in your prayers. Donation envelopes and prayer cards are available at each entrance to the Church. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

Thank you for your generosity.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026

The next session for parents and children will be on **Saturday 2nd May** at 10.30am in the Parish Hall. The next "Link Mass" will take place on **Sunday 17th May** at the 10.00am Mass.

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.

QR CODE

Don't use cash? Prefer to make your offering by phone?

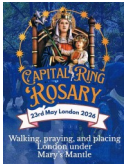
Scan the QR code with your smartphone.

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



THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS.

RADIO MARIA – PENTECOST EVENT – SATURDAY 23rd MAY



St. Erconwald's Church has been chosen to act as a meeting point for the Rosary Pilgrims before they begin their walk. Our "Route" is through Preston Park, then through streets to Fyrent Country Park, Brent Reservoir, along the banks of the river to Hendon Park. If taking part please wear appropriate footwear and clothing and bring plenty of water. For more information and to register please visit <https://radiomariaengland.co.uk/capital-ring-rosary/>. Details on the noticeboard.

PROCESSION OF OUR LADY OF WILLESDEN

The May procession **at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden, Nicoll Road, NW10 9AX**, will take place on **Sunday May 10th at 3pm**, and the Preacher will be Fr Nigel Woollen, Parish Priest of Our Lady of Victories, Kensington. The intention of the Procession is the Protection of London, and for Peace.

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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: 24th MAY 2026 - INTERNATIONAL DAY

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**. Tickets will be on sale from next weekend.



FLAGS: A sheet is provided at the back of the Church for you to write your country of origin/heritage. We will use the information to ensure that we have flags representing all the different parts of the world that make up our community.

INTERNATIONAL CUISINE: As in the past, we will be asking people to provide National Dishes. Currently, we have Jerk/Kentucky Fried Chicken, Home cooked Ham, Baked Pasta and Salmon. We would like to have food from as many cultures as possible, perhaps consider making a traditional family dish either as a main course or dessert, or nibbles [i.e. prawn crackers etc.]

We need enough of each dish to serve 10 or more people, perhaps two or more people could cook the same dish. We would like people to volunteer to coordinate the food. Please complete the food sheet form at the back for the Church.

*[Due to Data Protection Laws, we can no longer leave out lists as in the past, so if you could complete the forms at the back of the church to indicate your donation of food/drink. Then post these forms into the box provided, we would be most grateful. **Please, do not leave completed forms with your details on the table.**]*

RAFFLE: Tickets are available on the pews and at both entrances to the Church to buy for yourself or to sell to your family, friends and neighbours. Please put counterfoils and money into the box provided. Do not leave completed tickets on tables. Counterfoils/unsold tickets need to be returned not later than Saturday morning 23rd May. To be drawn on Sunday 24th May, 2026.

ENTERTAINMENT: There will be live music. If anyone would like to contribute to the entertainment on the day, please let us know.

PARISH MAGAZINE – PENTECOST EDITION

Articles need to be in by the weekend of **25th/26th April**.



THE CHAMELEONS

are organizing a Quiz Night in the Parish Hall on **Saturday 9th May**, at 8.00pm. Licensed Bar. You can bring your own food. See Poster for details.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL 2026

For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



CHURCH CLEANING

If you have any spare time please do come along and join us after the 9.30am Mass on Tuesday mornings to help clean God's House.

LITURGY FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER - 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 26th April: Fourth of Easter, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:**

1st Reading: Acts 2.14,36-41; Psalm: 23; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.20-25; Gospel:

John 10.1-10. **Intention:** 10.00am: Intentions of Benefactors

11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 27th April: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 11.1-18; Psalm: 41; Gospel: John 10.11-18. **Intention:** Dolly Sharkey [RIP]

Tuesday 28th April: Easter Feria [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 11.19-26; Psalm: 86; Gospel: John 6.30-35. **Intention:** Felix Biscette [RIP, A].

Wednesday 29th April: St. Catherine of Siena [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 12.24-13.5; Psalm: 66; John 12.44-50. **Intention:** Lisa Toy [Intention].
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary for Vocations and Benediction at 11.00am.

Thursday 30th April: NO SERVICE

Friday 1st May: St. Joseph the Worker [9.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 13.26-33; Psalm: 2; Gospel: John 14.1-6. **Intention:** Patricia Cleary [Intention].

Saturday 2nd May: Fifth of Easter, Year A [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7; Psalm: 33; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.4-9; Gospel: John 14.1-12. **Intention:** Elizabeth [Betty] O'Reilly [RIP, A].

Sunday 3rd May: Fifth of Easter, Year A [10.00am/11.30am] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7; Psalm: 33; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.4-9; Gospel: John 14.1-12. **Intention:** 10.00am: People of the Parish
11.30am: Tom McEvaddy [RIP, A]

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



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Magdalene Davis, Angela Tora, Claudette Roby, 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.

Sunday - Friday 8.00am - 4.00pm 020 8967 5130. Kindly leave a voicemail including patient's name and ward or e-mail: LNWH-TR.CHAPLAINCY@NHS.NET

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]