

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Please pray for all those participating in our catechetical programmes, their catechists and their families, especially for the newly confirmed and those about to receive their First Holy Communion.

The next **Baptism** session will be on the **3rd of September** at 19:00 in the hall. To book, please contact the office.

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.

RECONCILIATION
In the Sacrament of Reconciliation we encounter God's love for us through the gift of forgiveness, pardon and peace. This Sacrament is regularly available in church on **Saturdays after 9.30 Mass** or on request

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You can also donate in church using the DONA device or the QR codes in the pews. Please use Gift Aid if you can. Thank you for all your help and financial contributions!

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

SAT 27 JUL	9:30	GOOD HEALTH OF FRANKY GOES
	10.00	ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION
	18:00	PARISHIONERS
SUN 28 JUL	9:15	17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JOHN REID RIP
	11:15	NORA FINNIGAN RIP
	9:30	SAINTS MARY, MARTHA AND LAZARUS (MEMORIAL) ANTONIETA PIETROSI RIP
MON 29 JUL	9:30	
TUE 30 JUL	9:30	SALLY SLATTERY RIP
WED 31 JUL	9:30	ST IGNATIUS LOYOLA, PRIEST (MEMORIAL) IN THE INTENTION OF GOD'S PROVIDENCE & BLESSING FOR CHILDREN & FAMILY CONVERSION OF THEIR HEARTS & CONFIRMATION OF MARRIAGE UNITY
	10:00	ROSARY
	THU 1 AUG	NO MASS
FRI 2 AUG	9:30	MRS GAY MCGRATH'S INTENTIONS
	10:00	DIVINE MERCY
	SAT 3 AUG	9:30
	10:00	ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION
	18:00	PARISHIONERS
	SUN 4 AUG	9:15
	11:15	CARMEN PEREIRA RIP
	13:00	POLISH MASS



ST ERCONWALDS NEWSLETTER

27/28 JULY 2024

A MESSAGE FROM FR RUSLAN

Today's Gospel tells the story of Jesus being followed by a crowd of five thousand people who were amazed by his abilities. When night falls, the hungry crowd has only five loaves of bread and two fish, which a small boy holds. He selflessly offers his meal, and Jesus ensures enough food for everyone to share.

Pope Francis often mentions the miracle of feeding the five thousand in his homilies, emphasising the importance of sharing what we have with those who have not. He strongly encourages giving so that everyone may have access to God's provisions.

In his Angelus homily, Pope Francis declared, "Looking at those five loaves, Jesus thinks: this is Providence! From this small amount, God can make it sufficient for everyone". Jesus trusts in the heavenly Father without reserve; he knows that for him, everything is possible.

Jesus instructs his disciples to tell the people to sit down, recite the blessing and distribute the loaves and fish among the people... and the loaves and fish do not run out! This is a miracle: rather than a multiplication, it is sharing, inspired by the deep faith and prayer of Jesus and his disciples. Let's pray that all people may have enough food to eat.

The Gospel reminds us that even though around one billion people do not have enough to eat daily, through God's grace, there is enough food for everyone if we share it.

With prayers, Father Ruslan and the PPC

AUGUST PRAYER FOCUS

For Political Leaders: "Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor."

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DEAR PARISHIONERS

This section of our newsletter is for those in need of our prayers, whether 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, 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 Fr Ruslan to know but not have your name in the newsletter, just let us know.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS

Aman Allos, Teresa Azouz, Roger Blishen, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Katherine Cawley, Trish Claxton, Rose Collins, David Cox, Thérèse Crumpler, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Julia Donaldson, Mary Edenborough, June Ellis, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Michael and Cathy Flynn, Carole Frost, Carmen Galanty, Sophie Giannini, Franky Goes, Gloria Gowen, Ann Griffin, the Hansford family, Yvonne and Michael Johnson, Karen Lane, John Lydon, Rita McGloin, Oscar Menezes, Christian Misuraca, Sarah Mitchell, Colleen Murphy, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, Ben Piltsher, Shirley Rhodes, Deborah Russell, Evie Sagun, Anna Sartori, Michael Spears, Michelle Thomas, Eileen White, Dee Wilson, Dina Yates.

NEWS / EVENTS

OFFICE UPDATE

The office will be closed from this Friday, 27th of July. Emails will be checked sporadically and we'll be back on the 27th of August.

COMMUNICATIONS / MUSIC DURING AUGUST

Please note that there will be no newsletter during August. We'll be back on the first week of September.

The 9:15 musicians will also take a break during August; our next practice will be in September - date TBC.

ADORATION

There will be no adoration in the evenings during August.

ITALIAN MASS

Gr Giandomenico and the Italian Community are also taking a break during the summer. They will be back on Saturday, 24th of August.

WEEKLY EVENING MASS

From September, we will have a weekly evening Mass. It will probably be on Tuesday's, therefore, Tuesday Morning Mass will be cancelled.

TODDLER GROUP

Following the success of our toddler group pilot, we will be running further sessions in September and would really appreciate toy donations in great condition. If you have any to donate, please contact pt.walton@abdiocese.org.uk

The **St Erconwald pilgrimages to Jordan, Palestine and Israel** will take place in February and May 2025. Our aim is to read, pray and reflect on the events recorded in the Scriptures in the places where they happened, and so grow in our discipleship as followers of Jesus. We will meet with local Christians and pray with them, and seek to understand what it means to live as a follower of Jesus amid the complex realities of life in Israel, Palestine and Jordan today.

We will also be looking as a parish at how we can all be pilgrims of hope, even if we are unable to travel. More information and news about other pilgrimages will be published in the newsletter and on the website in the coming weeks.

SAVE THE DATES!

Parish celebration day and BBQ, Sunday 8 September after Sunday Mass. On this day, there will be only one Mass at 10am.

Parish retreat: Friday 22 Nov from 7pm, 23 & 24 Nov. St Erconwald Christmas lunch: Sunday 15 December.

VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are such a huge part of our parish and we would love to welcome anyone who wishes to get involved as we grow together as a faith community and reach out to those around us. Details of various opportunities are below and on the website: <https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/get-involved.html>

How can you help?

There are lots of different volunteering roles within the church. The following list is an overview of if there is something else that you would like to encourage and support in the parish, let us know. Most roles are on-roles so not a weekly commitment. If you are interested please talk to Fr Ruslan.

<p>Altar Serving Once you have received your First Holy Communion you can help Fr Ruslan and Deacons conduct the liturgy with grace and reverence by helping on the Altar during services.</p> <p>Reading Use your voice to share God's word through the weekly mass readings and prayers from the lectern.</p> <p>Mass Slides Join a team producing the weekly PowerPoint slides for everyone to enjoy during weekend services.</p> <p>Welcoming Being a welcoming face as people come to our weekend masses.</p> <p>Hospital & Housebound Visit Support those unable to join us at Mass, and keep them engaged and connected with the parish in person.</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy Engage 3-8 year olds with Bible stories and activities during 9.15 Mass.</p> <p>Baby & Toddler Group For those who want to support parents and engage with the youngest members of our parish.</p> <p>Youth Support Engaging young people with faith and our community is an important part of the Church's future.</p> <p>Music/Choir Join the 9.15 music groups or 11.15 choir. The music groups hold regular workshops to learn the music. The Choir practices at 7.30pm on Thursdays.</p> <p>Transport - Lifts to Church If you have a spare seat in your car you could help someone come to Mass that couldn't otherwise get here.</p>	 <p>Adoration Support Set up for weekly Tuesday evening Adoration 7-8pm with reading an introductory passage of Scripture.</p> <p>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Invited by Fr Ruslan, distribute the Eucharist at Mass and to the sick/housebound. There is also the opportunity to serve as Sacristan with Fr Ruslan and the current team.</p> <p>Catechism support For those with a passion to share the details of our faith, listen and inspire others through First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Adult Catechesis, by invitation from Fr Ruslan.</p>
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DIOCESAN EVENTS

CATECHISTS' FORMATION DAY

For all catechists and those involved in adult formation across our parishes, join us on Saturday, 21st September 11am - 4pm at Worth School for a day of formation, reflection and networking. Sign up at [Catechists' Day \(21-Sep-2024\) · ChurchSuite Events](https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk) or book through the Diocesan website. Any queries please email E:jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass followed by a drinks reception on Saturday, 12th October 11.30am at Arundel Cathedral. Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows and revel in the joy that marriage can bring. Family and friends are very welcome. Please book this and any other events hosted by the Diocese through the Diocesan website.

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan is very aware that there is 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 our parish. 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please send any newsletter/website/social media items or any amendments to: comms.sterconwalds@gmail.com by Thursdays at 2pm for inclusion/uploading as appropriate. All feedback is welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

Are you a volunteer or thinking about volunteering here at St Erconwald's? Please contact Tina O'Kelly, our Safeguarding Rep on sg1.walton@abdiocese.org.uk for information about training or to confirm that you have a DBS with us or if it needs processing. DBS checks are needed to work with children and vulnerable adults even if you have already one with another company or school.