SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISM PREPARATION
These sessions take place throughout the year. Please contact the office for details and to book.

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 Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays during Adoration (please see Masses Timetable).

Children are introduced to **Reconciliation** during the year in which they make their first Holy Communion and are then invited to celebrate this sacrament of God's healing.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION
Applications are now closed for the 2025-26 programmes.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 23 May	**9.30** **10.00** **12.00** **16.45** **18.00**	**MASS** **ADORATION & RECONCILIATION** **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS** **ITALIAN MASS** **MASS** Parishioners
Sun 24 May	**9.15** **11.15**	**Pentecost** **MASS** Romana Ivanscak RIP **MASS** Mike Moriarty RIP (Anniversary)
Mon 25 May	**9.30**	**Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)** **MASS** Intentions of Christine Cassey
Tues 26 May	**18.30** **19.30**	**St Philip Neri, Priest (Memorial)** **ADORATION & RECONCILIATION** **MASS**
Wed 27 May	**9.30** **10.00**	**St Agustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Feast)** **MASS** Intentions of Libby Grace **Rosary, ADORATION & RECONCILIATION**
Thurs 28 May	**NO MASS**	**Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest (Feast)** **NO MASS**
Frid 29 May	**9.30** **10.00**	**MASS** Theo's Birthday **DIVINE MERCY**
Sat 30 May	**9.30** **10.00** **17.30**	**MASS** Good health of Anna Leary **ADORATION & RECONCILIATION** **JOINT ITALIAN AND ENGLISH MASS**
Sun 31 May	**9.15** **11.15**	**The Most Holy Trinity** **MASS** Marjorie and Ken Robertson RIP **MASS** Parishioners

ST ERCONWALD'S NEWSLETTER

23-24 MAY 2026

On this Pentecost Sunday, we hear the Gospel account of the disciples gathered behind locked doors, anxious and uncertain after all that had happened. Into that fear and confusion, Jesus comes and simply says, "Peace be with you." He then breathes the Holy Spirit upon them and sends them out in His name. Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit is still at work in the life of the Church and in each one of us. We may not always feel confident or strong in our faith, but God meets us where we are and gently gives us the grace we need for each day.
May this feast of Pentecost renew our hearts, bring peace to our homes and families, and help us to live with a little more faith, hope and kindness towards one another.
Come, Holy Spirit.
With prayers Fr Ruslan and CPC

THANK YOU! A sincere thank you to all who helped organise last Sunday's Feast Day of St Erconwald's celebration. The celebration started with parishioners making a Novena in honour of St. Erconwald from 8-16 May. On the actual feast day itself (17 May), parishioners came together at a special Mass con-celebrated by Fr Ruslan and Fr Bill. We are very grateful to all the volunteers for their time, effort and generosity in making the day such a lovely occasion for the parish. Thank you to the choir and children who praised the Lord in music and song. After Mass everyone piled into the hall for a rather "sweet" breakfast of Danish pastries, cakes, tea and coffee.
And **Thank you to all** who bought books, and donated prizes for the raffle, grew and bought plants and jam. The plant and jam sale raised £342.25, with proceeds split between CAFOD and our church restoration.

SECOND COLLECTION
This weekend's second collection is for the missionary endeavour of the Diocese.

NEEDED - ST ERCONWALDS TREASURER
We are seeking someone willing to help the parish by serving as Parish Treasurer. This is a valuable ministry in the life of our community and a meaningful way to support us and our future. The role involves helping us maintain good oversight of parish finances, supporting planning and reporting, and working alongside the parish teams and volunteers. You do not need to be a professional accountant. If you have some experience with finances, administration, or spreadsheets, or simply feel you could offer a practical and organised approach, we would be very grateful to hear from you. The role is flexible, support will be provided, and responsibilities can be shared where needed. If you are interested or would like a friendly conversation to find out more, please speak to Fr Ruslan or contact the parish office. Thank you, as always, for the many ways you support and care for our parish community. Fr. Ruslan

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ACCOUNT NO 01126393

DONATIONS PAYABLE TO: RCD A&B ST ERCONWALD'S WALTON ON THAMES.

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

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 seek 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, Tom Asbury, Teresa Azouz, Baby Elm, Roger Blishen, Christopher Clifford and Catherine Browle, Katherine Cawley, Trish Claxton, Rose Collins, Jimmy Connaughtoin, Pat Couchman, Théresè Crumpler, James De Leons-Hopkins, Maureen and Bill Dodds, Julia Donaldson, Manuel and Jackie Faraldo, Michael and Cathy Flynn, Carole Frost, Carmen Galanty, Sophie Giannini, Franky Goes, Gloria Gowen, Ann Griffin, the Hansford family, Michael Johnson, Karen Lane, John Lydon, Rita McGloin, Oscar Menezes, Christian Misuraca, Sarah Mitchell, Maureen Moriarty, Colleen Murphy, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, Fr Sebastian Paul, Ben Piltsher, Shirley Rhodhes, Deborah Russell, Evie Sagun, Anna Sartori, Michael Spears, Michelle Thomas, Eileen White, Angela Widdup, Dina Yates.

HOME VISITS

Fr Ruslan would like to meet parishioners who are too poorly to come to church at different times throughout the year in their homes. Do reach out to Susana in the office, Ann Meehan or Fr Ruslan so we can schedule visits.

ENGLISH/ITALIAN MASS IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY

A joint English–Italian Mass will be celebrated on **30 May** at 5.30 pm. The Italian community will bring the statue of La Madonna dei Miracoli (Our Lady of Miracles) from the chapel in Woking. This is a special opportunity to bring our two communities together in prayer and fellowship. All are warmly invited. Refreshments will follow in the church hall.

YOUTH MASS AND PIZZA PARTY!

All our young parishioners are invited to join us for our Youth led Mass on **Saturday 6 June** at 6pm followed by a pizza party!

MASS INTENTIONS

There are still plenty of spaces available for Mass intentions over the coming weeks. If you would like a Mass offered for a loved one, for someone who is unwell, who has died, or simply for a special intention or thanksgiving, please do get in touch with the parish office to book a date. Having a Mass offered is a lovely way to pray for the needs of our families and friends, and to place our intentions before the Lord in a special way at Mass.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE FUNDRAISER

Our pilgrims will be setting off in just a couple of weeks! Please pray for them, and if you'd like to support them and Fr Ruslan, all donations are welcome, and will go towards redecorating and refurbishing our church: https://www.justgiving.com/page/stercscamino26?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL. You'll be able to follow their pilgrimage on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

BABY AND TODDLERS PLAY GROUP

As it's half term there will be no group on 29 May; we'll next meet on **Friday 5 June** in the parish hall, from 10-11.30.

2025/26 TAX YEAR GIFT AID STATEMENTS

Gift Aid statements for 2025/26 will be available at the back of the church from Saturday 23 May. This applies to donations made by standing order only, and only if you haven't received your statement by email. Please collect your letter promptly, as any letters not collected by 14 June will then be shredded.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE SUPPORT REQUEST

My name is Ella Robinson and I am a student at Salesian College Chertsey. This summer, I have the opportunity to volunteer on a pilgrimage to Lourdes, helping to care for and support sick and elderly pilgrims throughout their journey. I was especially inspired to take part after hearing about my brother's experience volunteering there and seeing the impact it had on him. His stories of faith, service, and community encouraged me to get involved myself.

Lourdes is a very special place of prayer, healing, and hope, and I am looking forward to being able to support those making this important pilgrimage and to share in the experience myself. To help cover the costs of the trip, I am raising funds and would be very grateful for any donations, no matter how small. Please contact the office. Please also keep the pilgrimage and everyone travelling in your prayers. Thank you very much for your kindness and support.

ACCOMMODATION NEEDED

Ramon, who has done lots of work for the parish over the years, is in urgent need of a room as he has to move out of his current accommodation. If you have a spare room to rent, please contact Ramon on 07593 993 533. Thank you.

WEYBRIDGE PARISH, ONE YEAR ON

As you'll have read in last week's newsletter, representatives from across the new Weybridge Parish gathered on 30 April. Further information on the meeting is now on our website here: https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/weybridge-parish-news

SAVE THE DATE: CAFOD PARTNER VISIT FROM PERUVIAN AMAZON

On **Saturday 27 June** following the 6pm Mass we'll be hosting two speakers from Peru, including Jackeline Mendoza Díaz, a 27-year-old Asháninka leader, from the community of Samiri in Peru. For several years, she has stood out as a territorial defender in face of extractivism and human rights violations. More information to follow.

OTHER/DIOCESAN NEWS/EVENTS

CORPUS CHRISTI EVENING FOR YOUNG ADULTS

3 June 2026 7pm-9pm at Arundel Cathedral an evening to gather as part of Corpus Christi & carpet of flowers diocesan event. For further info and to sign up visit the diocesan website: Young Adults' Corpus Christi & Carpet of Flowers event

WINTERSHALL - THE STORY OF JESUS, BROUGHT TO LIFE

16 - 20 June, Wintershall. Discover the wonder of Jesus' life with an unforgettable event for all the family. The Life of Christ is a play like no other, placing you in the middle of an immersive theatre experience. Tickets available here https://www.wintershall.org.uk/event/life-of-christ/

CELEBRATE FESTIVAL

Join a five day event for Catholics of all ages this summer! From **15 to 19 August**, the grounds of Worth School will become home to one of the most joyful gatherings in the English Catholic calendar. Tickets and full information: www.celebratefestival.org

GRANDPARENTS PILGRIMAGE at The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead, Wednesday 17 June 11am – 3pm. A day of sharing and prayer with other Grandparents with Mass, Benediction, Rosary, tours of the secret chapel and lots of chat. Please bring a packed lunch. To register/for further info: Grandparents' Pilgrimage to West Grinstead (17-Jun-2026) · ChurchSuite Events.

CYMFed Flame Congress 2027 at the OVO Wembley Arena on **Saturday 6 March 2027** - early-bird ticket cost is £30 per person You are invited to join the Youth team from the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton at CYMFed's Flame Congress. Flame Congress is organised by the Catholic Youth Ministry Federation (CYMDFed) and is designed for young people aged 14 and over to share their faith with over 10,000 others! If you are interested in attending, do speak to Fr Ruslan as we have some parish tickets.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

SAFEGUARDING

If you wish to work with children or vulnerable adults in our parish please contact Tina O'Kelly, our Safeguarding Rep for volunteers: **tina@okellynet.com**. See our website for further details.

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. See here for details: https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/get-involved.html

YOUR OFFERINGS

PLATE COLLECTIONS FOR APRIL: £784.06
PLANT & JAM SALE: £ 333.25
BOOK SALE: £66
RAFFLE: TBC

STANDING ORDERS FOR APRIL: £4,740.67

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATES!

23 MAY: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
30 MAY: ITALIAN & ENGLISH JOINT MASS
6 JUNE: YOUTH LED MASS