



9/10 NOVEMBER 2024

BAPTISM PREPARATION

These sessions take place regularly throughout the year. Please contact the office for details and to book. The next Baptism session will be **on Monday 9 December at 7pm via Zoom.**

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 the 9.30 Mass or on request.

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 2025

Email has gone out to parents/carers. Please check your both your inbox and junk mail. Thank you

We do need **additional catechists** and especially ask parents of those who children will participate in the programme to help out. You don't need to commit to each week! Do get in touch with the parish office by phone or email.

CONFIRMATION

If you're still interested in joining this year's programme, please email the parish office and return your registration forms by **9 November**. See the separate notice for further details, and for any additional information please contact the parish office.

SAT 09 NOV	9:30	CONSECRATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA (FEAST) BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	10.00	ADORATION & RECONCILIATION
	16.45	ITALIAN MASS
SUN 10 NOV	9:15	32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	11:15	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	9:30	ST MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP (MEMORIAL) BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
MON 11 NOV	9:30	ST MARTIN OF TOURS, BISHOP (MEMORIAL) BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	18:30	ST JOSAPHAT, BISHOP, MARTYR (MEMORIAL) ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION
	19:30	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
TUE 12 NOV	18:30	ST JOSAPHAT, BISHOP, MARTYR (MEMORIAL) ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION
	19:30	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	9:30	NO MASS
WED 13 NOV	9:30	NO MASS
	10:00	ROSARY
	10:00	NO MASS
THU 14 NOV	NO MASS	NO MASS
	9:30	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	10:00	DIVINE MERCY
FRI 15 NOV	9:30	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	10:00	DIVINE MERCY
	10:00	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
SAT 16 NOV	9:30	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	10:00	ADORATION & RECONCILIATION
	16.45	ITALIAN MASS
SUN 17 NOV	18:00	BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
	9:15	33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
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WEEKLY EVENTS

TODDLERS GROUP - Play and Praise continues on Fridays during term-time from 10-11.30. Sign up in advance and check dates here:
<https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/dnp0lyul>.

Please note that **Fr Ruslan will be away** on a diocesan retreat this coming week from Monday afternoon to Wednesday eve. Please welcome Fr Stephen on Tuesday evening. There will be no Mass on Wednesday morning.

NOVEMBER PRAYERS**ALL SAINTS/ALL SOULS**

In November we remember our beloved departed and, during this month, you can write the name of the person you would like to remember in prayer in the Remembrance book in the porch. It will be brought to the altar during each Mass, and Fr Ruslan will pray for them on that specific day.

Pope Francis, during this month of remembrance, asks us especially to pray for those who have lost a child:

“Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.”

During **Adoration** on Tuesdays this month (6.30-7.30pm) there will be the opportunity to light a candle in memory of your loved ones. The **memorial garden** will be open as follows: Mon-Fri 9.30-14.00; Saturdays all day; Sundays 9.30-14.00.

RED WEDNESDAY

Around the world each year Christian, and other religious or belief minorities, face subtle, sustained and extreme human rights abuses. In over sixty countries the Catholic Church is at the forefront of being on the receiving end of such persecution, ranging from exclusions from employment to legislative restrictions, to blocked access to health and housing.

On **RED WEDNESDAY Aid to the Church** in Need draws attention to the plight of persecuted religious minorities and especially Catholics at risk of harm. <https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/redwednesday>. Please pray:

“God who is all good. Be present here with us today. Give us the grace and understanding to listen and inspire us to bring your love to all those around us. Give us courage to protect and pray for all those who are persecuted for their faith.”

On **Tuesday 19 November** Fr Ruslan will celebrate a Mass of Remembrance (7.30pm) to remember our departed loved ones and those who don't have anyone to remember them.

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PARISH BANK DETAILS

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DONATIONS PAYABLE TO:

RCD A&B ST ERCONWALD'S
WALTON ON THAMES.

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!

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, 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, Maureen Moriarty, Colleen Murphy, Louise Nettleton, Arlo Nolan, 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.

PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

ST ERCONWALDS PARISH RETREAT, 22-24 November
Only two weeks to go! **Fr Gladson, the retreat leader**, will be speaking at all masses this weekend. Please do come along/watch online.

We need your help! To help us serve you best, please **SIGN UP** in the porch/online <https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/sthwi3ap> so we have a rough idea of numbers to cater food for.

We are still looking for people to support with hospitality (teas/coffees/meal prep) and also overnight accommodation for one of the team members. If you can help in any way please contact Lucy on 07740 461785.

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this week is for the retired priests of our diocese. Please support them generously.

ALPHA continues on Sunday evening s at 7.30pm in the hall.

STEPS

Our parish support group StEps will meet in the hall **this Wednesday at 7.30pm**. If you would like more information on joining our wonderful team of volunteers, please join them on Wednesday.

BAPTISMS

Fr Ruslan will be celebrating four baptisms in our parish next weekend! Please welcome these children and their families into our parish community.

PARISH READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Fr Ruslan will be holding training sessions in the church for all current readers (Ministers of the Word) and Eucharistic ministers and anyone interested in joining these ministries:
Wednesday 20 November at 7.30 pm: Parish readers
Wednesday 27 November at 7.30pm: Eucharistic ministers
All parish readers will be specially commissioned at all masses during the weekend of 30/11-1/12.

CONFIRMATION

Don't forget to send the completed registration forms to the nominated person by the end of this weekend. We are looking forward to seeing you at the Parish retreat vigil mass on **Saturday 23 November** at 6.00pm followed by a light meal in the hall. This will be a great opportunity to engage in the process of becoming the person God has created us to be.

ADVENT

ADVENT WREATH-MAKING WORKSHOP

Saturday 30 November. Create a beautiful wreath, learn about its symbolism and how you can use it to pray during advent. Spaces are limited - please **book your place by Monday 25 November in the porch or online** (<https://sterconwalds.churchsuite.com/events/ljuhuzpi>) - families/individuals welcome. Cost: £11 per family/wreath

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Our Advent penitential service will take place on Wednesday 18 December at 7.30pm to help us prepare for the coming of our Lord and Saviour. Details to follow.

CELEBRATION OF CAROLS AND READINGS

Join us on **Sunday 22 December** at 3pm for a celebration followed by refreshments. Further details to follow. If you'd like to help, please contact John Joyce via the parish office.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE - PRIZES NEEDED!

To raise much needed funds for the parish we are planning a Christmas raffle - but to make it a success we need some prizes! If you can donate a prize yourself or source one from someone you know please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

DIOCESAN/OTHER NEWS/EVENTS

NEW MODERN SLAVERY AMBASSADORS

Pope Francis has been heavily involved in raising awareness of Modern Slavery through his charity The Santa Marta Group, and regularly highlights the plight of victims and survivors. Locally, Modern Slavery Ambassadors play a vital role in raising awareness of the crime across the Diocese. New modern slavery ambassadors from our diocese and Churches Together were recently commissioned. Ann Meehan is the contact for our parish. See here and our website for details: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/modern-slavery-ambassadors>

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS SEMINAR

Those who work with adults/young people in parishes or in general know that there are growing numbers of people who are experiencing mental health challenges. The diocese is working with Mental Health First Aid (England) to provide a Mental Health Awareness course. If you're interested in attending a seminar on **Saturday 16 November in Crawley**, do sign up; <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/i5ze32jk>

LOOKING AHEAD: YOUNG ADULT JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE

We would like to support parishioners aged 18-30 from our parish to join the diocesan pilgrimage from **28 July-4 August 2025** to celebrate this special year of forgiveness and reconciliation. There will be opportunities to hear from, and pray with, Pope Francis on the theme of Hope. Please contact the parish office for further info on how we can support. Details here: <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/yaahprxo>.

Please see <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events> for a full listing of events.

ELMBRIDGE COMMUNITY ECO-HUB

The Eco-Hub (located behind the Montessori school) are accepting donations of clean coats, hats, scarves and gloves in good condition to be distributed to those in need in the area. Please donate between Monday, Thursday and Friday 9-4 and Saturday 9-12. If you are in need of a coat, please visit the Ecohub and speak to a volunteer, no questions asked.

COMMUNICATIONS

Please send any newsletter/website/porch/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

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. For details: <https://www.sterconwalds.org.uk/get-involved.html>

PLATE

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS FOR 03-11-24: £365.76
2ND COLLECTION PRISON SUNDAY: £178.46

STANDING ORDERS FOR OCTOBER: £4784.91

THANK YOU!

SAVE THE DATES:

20 NOV: READERS MEETING
22-24 NOV: PARISH RETREAT
27 NOV: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING
30 NOV: WREATH MAKING
15 DEC: CHRISTMAS LUNCH
18 DEC: PENITENTIAL SERVICE
22 DEC: CAROL CELEBRATION
15 MAR: FLAME CONGRESS