# <u>**Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict</u>** Newsletter and Information bulletin</u>

All Masses Celebrated in the week are live-streamed on ChurchServices.TV

#### SUNDAY 2 OF LENT

Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18; Phil 3: 17-4:1; Luke 9: 28b-36



## <u>Useful Contacts</u>

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If you would like to start receiving an extended version of the newsletter by email on a fortnightly basis – contact Chelle

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#### **DIVINE OFFICE**

VIGIL

Sunday Weekday Saturday
MATINS 6.00am 6.30am
LAUDS 7.35am 7.35am 7.35am
VESPERS 6.00pm 6.35pm 5.15pm
COMPLINE 8.00pm

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### **WEEKDAY & SATURDAY**

#### MASSES F. SSST

7.00am (With the Monks) 9.15am 6.00pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

CONFESSION:

Saturday: 10am-11am/4pm-5pm, Thursday: 7.45pm-8.15pm

#### **SUNDAY MASS**

9.00am (with children's liturgy)
10.15am (Family Mass in Abbey
Hall)
10.20am (Choral Mass)

10.30am (Choral Mass) 12 noon (Sung Mass)

7.00pm (Young people's Mass)

## Dear Parishioner,

In the Gospel this Sunday we see Jesus transfigured on the mountain. Peter's reaction is that they must "do something". He suggests that three tents be set up, one for Moses, one for Elijah and one for Jesus. In this he seems merely to equate Jesus with these two albeit pivotal figures in Jewish history, representing the Law and the Prophets. This illustrates what so often happens when we feel we must get control and do something: we miss the point and get it wrong. Peter is not being asked to do anything except listen. The voice from heaven says "This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him."

This message for Peter, and for James and John, the other two Apostles with him on the mountain, is for us. At least this may sound easy for us but listening can be the hardest thing of all. Listening is not the same as simply hearing. We can hear a sound whether we like it or not whereas listening requires a conscious effort. As with anything that requires an effort, we can either not do it at all, put our entire effort into it or settle for a response inbetween. When someone is talking to us, so often we "half" listen. We do not really listen to what they are saying. It is so important for us if we are really to live happily as Christians that we try into listening to Jesus. He is the Son of God – listen to him!

Peacemaking necessitates listening. This Lent takes place for the third year running against a background of fighting and destruction in Ukraine and Russia. We continue to make a just peace between Ukraine an intention in our prayers and Lenten commitments. We also remember earnestly in our prayers the terrible situation in Gaza and the continuing captivity of the remaining Israeli hostages. There is so much in the news about the initiatives to end these situations – may all involved allow God to speak to their hearts and make use of the opportunities being afforded to them now. Let us also not forget those suffering grievously from conflict in Sudan, Syria and Yemen.

Yours in Christ,

Dom Timothy Gorham osb

## Anniversaries from the week commencing 16th March 2025

Frances Carter, Margaret Ferrar, Nora Heidler, Maria Iglesias,
Ivan Mowczan, Patricia Kiff, Zbigniew Ryszard Pialucha,
Rory White, Ronald Pidduck, Kathleen Heaslip, Florence Pomeroy,
Mary McCabe, Christopher Crichton, Stephen Lunn, Elizabeth Bradford,
Dennis Gallagher, Patrick Hartnett, Marina Marques de Carvalho,
Patrick Marum, David Mealing, Stanislaw Chmiel, Mary Warfield,
Mary Fennell, Richard Williams, Rosena Mentior, Rose Beaumont,
Michael Kulwiec, Thomas Michael Maramaros, Joy Drower,
Nora Campbell, James Finn, James O'Brien, Joshua Critcher, Sarah Valvona,
Joseph Riley, Elizabeth Sinclair, Audrey Macleish, Norman Vogel,
James Donovan, James McCormack, Pauline Hill, Agnes Gaerty,
Mary McManus, Patrick Oates, Rodney James Mason, Valerie Morgan, Marion Beasley

## Information & Diary

Sunday 16th March

Second collection – Ealing Abbey Parish Lent Appeal: Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter (ECWNS) speakers at all masses.

Monday 17th March St Patrick

6pm: Mass with blessing of the shamrock

8-9pm: Bingo in Parish Hall.

### Tuesday 18th March

9.45-11.45: Toddlers - Parish Hall.

1pm-3pm: Senior citizens-Coffee lounge

6.30pm- Meditation: in the Bulbeck Room with Fr. Robin Burgess 7-8pm: Parish ACN meeting in the Bulbeck room. All are welcome

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March ST** *JOSEPH***, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** 1-5 pm: Glory to Come. A quiet afternoon for the second week of Lent in the Bulbeck Room, led by Fr. Robin Burgess. See back page for further details. 7.00-8.15pm: Ealing Abbey Lay Plainchant Choir, Maurice Fowler Hall. New

members/beginners welcome. For further information, see www.ealpc.org.

## Thursday 20th March

9.45-11.45am: Toddlers- Parish Hall.

10.00am: Lectio Divina in the Bulbeck Room with Sheila Rees, refreshments at 11.00am and meditation at 11.15. With Fr Robin Burgess.

### Friday 21st March The Passing of St Benedict

### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March

2.30-4.30pm: Special Needs Lenten Liturgy starting in coffee lounge- see back page

## Finance News

Collections 9th March 2025

Offertory, ATM, and others: £2158

We are deeply grateful for the wonderful financial support we receive. If you would like to make a donation to help us to continue to sustain the mission of the Church, share the Gospel and serve those in need, our Bank Account details are:

Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland, 49 Bishopsgate, London EC2N 3AS Account No: 19123696 Sort Code: 16-00-15 Account Name: The Trust of St Benedict's Ealing Abbey

## Notices

#### LENT & HOLY WEEK 2025

Visit the **Lent & Holy Week** page on our website for events, schedules and information during Lent including our Parish Lenten Appeal, to help you prepare for a blessed Lenten season. **Download our Lenten program** at: ealingabbeyparish.uk/news/

#### What is the Jubilee Year 2025? Pilgrims of Hope, what does it mean?

We have created a dedicated page on our website which contains everything you need to know about The Jubilee Year 2025 with useful resources e.g. The Jubilee Year prayer, hymn, and letter from The Holy Father, key dates and events including our Parish Pilgrimage to Rome and Parish Discussion summaries. Visit <a href="ealingabbeyparish.uk/jubilee-year-2025/">ealingabbeyparish.uk/jubilee-year-2025/</a> or scan QR code for more.



#### SVP - request for items

SVP need the following items for a client moving to an unfurnished flat: small dining table and chairs, computer desk, bedside table, curtains, floor rugs, cooking utensils amongst other things. Phone Anne 0208 991 1081

'Glory to Come': A quiet afternoon of reflection – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025

A quiet afternoon for the second week of Lent, Wednesday 19 March 1 to 5 pm in the
Bulbeck Room, led by Fr. Robin, with reflection on Scripture –
quiet meditation – faith-sharing ends with tea & refreshments

### Special Needs Lenten Liturgy - Saturday, 22nd March 2025

Supporting those with special needs and their carers, with a liturgy and bring/share tea and craft workshop. Starting 2.30-4.30pm in the Coffee Lounge. All welcome to join!

Contact Philly for more information: <a href="mailto:phillycodrington@hotmail.com">phillycodrington@hotmail.com</a>



#### Get involved and volunteer at Ealing Abbey

We have many opportunities including a 9am choir master/mistress, candle stands cleaning, walk of witness procession marshals on Good Friday, Benedict Renew team, Children's Liturgy and much more. Visit our volunteering page for a full list of roles at

<u>ealingabbeyparish.uk/volunteering-opportunities/</u> or scan the QR code. Please contact Chelle <u>chelle@ealingabbey.org.uk</u> if you would like to dedicate your time and talents.

### Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2025

This Holy Year invites us to be 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We invite you to consider supporting work being done in the Diocese of Westminster to bring hope into many lives. Your contributions will help fund vital projects across our Diocese, including Youth & Evangelisation, Social Action, Marriage & Family Life, and Catholic Education Initiatives. His Eminence, Cardinal Nichols, extends his heartfelt thanks to all who give what they can to this meaningful cause. Donation envelopes are available today, and you can also contribute online using the QR code. Thank you for your kindness and support.