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Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict Newsletter and Information bulletin

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SUNDAY 15 IN ORDINARY TIME

Duet 30 : 10-14; Col 1 : 15-20 ; Luke 10 : 25-37



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DIVINE OFFICE

	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	
VIGIL			7.30pm

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MASSES

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)
10.30am (Choral Mass)
12 noon (Sung Mass)
7.00pm (Young people's Mass)

Dear Parishioner,

A well-known American Catholic political figure recently said: “There is a Christian concept that you love your family and then you love your neighbour, and then you love your community, and then you love your fellow citizens, and then after that, prioritize the rest of the world....” In today’s parable of the Good Samaritan Jesus faces the old antagonism between his own people and the Samaritans who were despised as the mixed-race descendants of Jews who had intermarried with foreign settlers and therefore married outside the faith. After the return from exile in the 6th century BCE the Jews refused to allow the Samaritans to help them rebuild the Temple which had been overrun and destroyed by the Babylonians and surprise, surprise, the Samaritans responded by establishing a rival priesthood and temple. As distrust and enmity grew each group’s loyalty to its own tradition simply served to nourish its hostility to the other. So, the answer to the question ‘who is my neighbour?’ was, simply: ‘someone within the boundaries of my own racial and religious circle.’ It’s that simple, isn’t it?

In the parable Jesus questions his own people’s attitude and when a lawyer says to him ‘we have our own way of doing things’ Jesus takes issue. In doing so he challenges the lawyer about an attitude enshrined in tradition and law for hundreds of years and challenges him to be disloyal to that tradition. If your religious tradition invites you to despise others, then you must be disloyal to the tradition. That is quite a blunt message and not one which is easy to hear.

For many of us the weight of inherited hostility is immense and as a northern Irish Catholic brought up against the background of the Troubles, I know the sentiment well. The recent twentieth anniversary of 7/7 too continues to weigh heavily not only on those who suffered directly but on all of us in the wider community. Today’s gospel challenges us to try to overcome deep-seated suspicion, enmity and hatred and to promote love. Such a challenge is always to extend the boundaries of our love to include our traditional enemies. Not easy to hear. But surely if the gospel does not liberate, then hasn’t Christ died in vain?

Deacon Alex

Anniversaries from the week commencing 13th July 2025

**Mary Hopley, Victoria Howcroft, Margaret England, Daisy Zambaka,
Peter Hartnett, Mary Ann Ridgway, Maria Diaz, Robert (Bob) Burke,
Ann Maloney, Brian Wilson, Sr. Nora Carmody, Tracy Mahmoudi,
Barbara Kulesza, Ted Fitzsimons, Max Coutinho,
Michael Moriarty, Margaret Branson, Winifred Wilson,
Balakrishnan Cumaraswamy, Sharon Long, Yvonne McLeod, Rosemary Para,
Tom Groake, James Waldron, Marie-Frances Rodrigues, Jordi Llinares,
Bernard Burke, James Neary, Harold Aubrey, Helena Mary Scammell,
Albert Smith, Elizabeth Pearce, Janusz Gasiorek, Leonard Collins,
Laura Murray, John Lyons, Jacqueline Halls**

Information & Diary

Sunday 13th July

Second collection for Stella Maris will be taken today at all masses

Monday 14th July

8-9pm: Bingo in Parish Hall.

Tuesday 15th July St Bonaventura

- 1.00-3.00pm: Senior citizens- Coffee Lounge
- 6.30pm- Meditation: in the Bulbeck Room with Fr. Robin Burgess.

Wednesday 16th July

- 7.00-8.15pm: Ealing Abbey Lay Plainchant Choir, Maurice Fowler Hall.
- New members/beginners welcome. For further information, see www.ealpc.org
- 7.30pm-9pm: Reflection on the papal document 'Laudate Deum'
- Reading & Study Small Group with Fr Kevin McDonagh. Parish Hall and Coffee Lounge. All welcome.
- 8:15pm: Book Circle in the Coffee Lounge-see back page for more details.

Thursday 17th July

- 9.30-12.30pm: Toddlers in the 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 18th July

9.45-12.30: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament-in the church.

Saturday 19th July

Sanctuary Lighting

We're calling on the strength of our community to help us raise £30,000 to restore the lighting infrastructure above the sanctuary. We are asking for donations, we also need generous action-takers, people willing to help, create and share information and encourage others to get involved.

If you have got creativity, time or even just a big heart for the Abbey, we need you on this mission. This isn't just about lights, it's about what we stand for as a community of faith, love and purpose. Reach out to Laura 07801509481 or Jan 07912854075, if you feel called to help. We need your heart, hands and help to turn this vision into reality.

Finance News

6th July

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £1435

Notices

First Holy communion and youth group registration

Registration for first Holy Communion and Youth Group 2025/2026 is now open

Registration closes on **Monday 21st July 2025.**

See our web site for more details or contact formation@ealingabbey.org.uk

Parish Events : July 2025

Book Circle

The next meeting of the Book Circle will be at 8.15 pm in the Coffee Lounge on Wednesday 16 July to discuss Moon Tiger by Penelope Lively. All are welcome. The book to be discussed at the following meeting in September is Caledonian Road by Andrew O'Hagan.

Reflection on the papal document 'Laudate Deum':

Reading & Study Small Group with Fr Kevin McDonagh

7.30pm-9pm next one: Wednesday 16th July 2025 in the Coffee Lounge

Fr Kevin McDonagh will be running a reading & study group of Pope Francis' Laudate Deum document, programmed over 4-5 weeks. If you are interested in social teaching of the Church and Justice issues, please do come along.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP AT THE OVER 60S TEA CLUB

We need more volunteers to help at the over 60s Tea Club which happens every Tuesday from 1pm to 3pm in the Coffee Lounge. Duties include setting up the table, making sandwiches etc., calling the bingo and socialising. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office Tel: 020 8194 2301/email: parishoffice@ealingabbey.org.uk

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham:

Saturday 20th September 2025

Be part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, led by Cardinal Vincent on Saturday 20th September, with the theme in this Jubilee Year of 'With Mary, we are Pilgrims of Hope, Sharing Mary's Joy'. Timings and the Itinerary available on the Parish Website and on the pilgrimages notice board) – please contact Chelle D'cruz chelle@ealingabbey.org.uk to express your interest.

Ealing Abbey Parish – Pilgrimage to Rome 4 nights 17th-20th Nov 2025 with Tangney Tours
Limited places still available! Only 1 single room and 2 double rooms left. Contact ASAP to book. Led by Greg Smith. For a booking form please contact Sarah at Tangney Tours, Email: sarah@tangney-tours.com Booking forms are also available in the two porches and via Parish office and on the parish website – under Pilgrimages. Please complete and send to Sarah.