Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict Newsletter and Information bulletin

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SUNDAY 27 IN ORDINARY TIMES

Habb 1: 2-3: 2:2-4; Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14; Luke 17: 5-10



Useful Contacts

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Pastoral Coordinator-position vacant

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You can also download a copy of the latest bulletin on the website, found under 'News'

DIVINE OFFICE

Sunday Weekday Saturday

MATINS 6.ooam 6.30am **LAUDS** 7.35am 7.35am 7.35am VESPERS 6.00pm 6.35pm 5.15pm **COMPLINE** 8.oopm **VIGIL** 7.30pm

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MASSES

7.00am (With the Monks) 9.15am 6.oopm

(Vigil Mass of Sunday)

CONFESSION: Saturdau: 10am-11am/4pm-5pm, <u>Thursday</u>: 7.45pm-8.15pm

SUNDAY MASS

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

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

Dear Parishioner,

In the Gospel this week the Apostles say to the Lord: "Increase our faith". Jesus replies: "If your faith were the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea', and it would obey you." This might lead us to ask ourselves how much faith we ourselves have. A mustard seed is very small, more like a speck. It makes us realize how great a virtue faith is and how much power it has.

But what is faith? It is described as an "infused" virtue, that is to say it comes to us through grace. However, we must activate it by a movement of our will. Fundamentally we need to believe in the triumph of good over evil. We then share in that triumph by believing in Christ, his saving death and resurrection. We show that we believe by actively following his teaching. This teaching fulfills the teaching of the Old Testament. We do not have to follow the exact ritual prescriptions and rules of the Old Testament, but we need to see the essential goodness of the Old Testament, realizing that it comes from God. Last week in the Gospel, we heard Abraham say to the rich man that those who do not believe Moses and the prophets will not believe even if someone should rise from the dead.

Faith is inseparably linked to charity or love. It is love which moves us to persist in goodness even in the face of discouragement. Love is also an infused virtue. So, we can be confident that we have been given faith and love already. In Our Lord's response we hear a challenge. If the disciples do not have enough faith, they have can have more if they really love Jesus by trusting him more. We could spend some time in prayer today asking Our Lord that we will love and trust him more, particularly in the aspects of life where we find this most difficult. When we ask for things in prayer, either for ourselves or others, we show that we trust Jesus. If we do this with serious thought about our true needs or those of others it will increase our faith.

Yours in Christ,

Dom Timothy Gorham osb

Anniversaries from the week commencing 5th October 2025 Mary Nicholson, Ante Surkovic, Malgorzata Swietochowska, Lucy Riley, Charlotte Kearns, Maria King, Sarah Knowles, Francis Orpin, Mary Jones, Imelda Hillen, James Mullally, Irene Wheeler, Brigid Sinclair, Patrick D'Alwis, Margaret Dawson, Connall Felix, Mary Richards, Matti Elia, John Goodey, Sister Margaret Hickey, Edgar Harvey, Bernard Arnull, Kathleen Crawford, Emile Kronfli, Donald Shaw, Bunny Higgins, Ann Stockton, Michael Beglan, Joseph Young, Nawal Majeed Tokatly

Information & Diary

Sunday 5th October

There will be a CAFOD appeal and a second collection at all Masses.

Monday 6th October St Bruno

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Tuesday 7th October Our Lady of the Rosary

1pm-3pm: Senior citizens-Coffee lounge

6.30pm- Meditation: in the Bulbeck Room with Fr. Robin Burgess.

Wednesday 8th October St John Henry Newman

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 - Reflection on the papal document 'Laudate Deum'. Reading & Study Small Group with Fr Kevin McDonagh. Coffee Loung. All welcome

Thursday 9th October SS John Roberts & Ambrose Barlow 9.30-12.30: Toddlers in the Parish Hall.

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

Friday 10th October SS Paulinus, Laurence, Justus & Honorius

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

Saturday 11th October

3-4.30pm: Charismatic prayer group. Coffee lounge.

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 energise 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 or Jan via the Parish Office, if you feel called to help. We need your heart, hands and help to turn this vision into reality.

<u>Finance News</u> 28th September 2025

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £1458

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: 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

Benedict Renew

Benedict Renew will start on 15th October, between 10 am and 12 pm, in the Coffee Lounge. It's a safe and welcoming space at Ealing Abbey — a place where anyone can come for peace and quiet, to meet others, have a chat, or just simply be in safe space. You can also spend time in prayer, if you like. For more information go to: https://www.renewwellbeing.org.uk

Saturday 18th October 7.00pm-10pm Race night in the Parish Hall in aid of Replacing Abbey Electrics Prize Donations Needed

We are putting together a prize bag for our winners and would be very grateful for your help. If you can donate a small item, such as chocolates, bottles, cosmetics, perfumes, scratch cards, or anything others might enjoy, it would be greatly appreciated. Please leave your donation in the bookshop porch after any of the Masses on W/E 28th September, W/E 5th and 12th October.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Children's Liturgy Volunteers Urgently Needed

Volunteers Urgently Needed for Children's Liturgy at 9am Mass on Sundays - we don't have enough to keep it going; please get in touch with Danielle at catecheticalcoordinator@ealingabbey.org.uk

Our Survivor Experience

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) is conducting a thematic inspection on survivor engagement and support across Religious Life Groups (RLGs) and dioceses of the Catholic Church. We would like to share these two links: Information about the survey Public Calls for Information

The direct link to the survey

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=SSQzRY2fT0OpJmB Xy63KLBEXoG2tlVAm 9UYqKjMSFUOTc5Tz ILTEdTWkUySjhaTlU0QURaOU05SC4u

This process is being conducted with transparency, respect, and in a survivor-centred way. We would like to hear from as many voices as possible, enabling us to identify good practice and areas for improvement across the Church.

ALSO

The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA) is now asking every diocese and RLG to help it share a new survey inviting everyone engaged with the Catholic Church, including Clergy, Religious (Consecrated Life), Parish Safeguarding Representatives, Employees, Volunteers and Parishioners to contribute their experiences. The aim of this survey is better understand how the Catholic Church engages with Survivors.

Information regarding this survey can be found here:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=SSQzRY2fT0OpJmB_Xy63KLBEXoG2tlVAm_9UYqKjMSF UM1hSR1VCOEpYMUc4SDVQWTg3VkNDTzg5OS4u

Recycled Christmas cards, in aid of the work of the Medical Missionaries of Mary, will be available after all Masses on Sunday 26 October. If you needed before then, phone 0208 998 0816.

CAFOD Family Fast Day

Please donate to our CAFOD Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to

70560 to donate £10.