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Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict

Newsletter and Information bulletin

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THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERN BASILICA

Ezek47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; 1Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22



Useful Contacts

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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

MASSSES

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

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)

CONFESSION:

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

Dear Parishioner,

Today, 9 November, the Church celebrates the Feast of the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*.

The Basilica of Saint John Lateran was built by the Emperor Constantine around the year 324. It is the oldest of the four major basilicas in Rome and serves as the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope.

The Basilica is known as the “*omnium Urbis et Orbis ecclesiarum Mater et Caput*”, “*mother and head of all the churches of the City and the World*” and is written in the inscription at both sides of the central entrance.

It may seem strange that we celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of a building so far away. But this feast is not simply about bricks and mortar. It’s a celebration of the unity of the whole Church, built on the foundation of the apostles, with Christ himself as the cornerstone.

By honouring the Lateran Basilica, we honour the visible unity of the Church throughout the world, united with the See of Peter in faith and charity.

The readings chosen for today remind us that God’s true home is not confined to any one place but is found wherever his people gather in faith. In the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel has a vision of water flowing from the temple, bringing life and fruitfulness wherever it goes. This image speaks powerfully of the grace that flows from Christ and his Church into the world refreshing, healing, and renewing.

St Paul, writing to the Corinthians, takes this image even further when he says, “You are God’s building... God’s temple, and God’s Spirit dwells in you.” Each one of us is a living temple where God’s presence is meant to be seen and experienced. When we live in faith, hope, and love, we become a sign of the living God at work among his people.

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the temple in Jerusalem and says, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” John tells us that Jesus was speaking of the temple of his body. The risen Christ is the true temple, the perfect meeting place of heaven and earth. From him flows the life-giving water of the Spirit, first through the sacraments, and then through the Church which continues his mission in the world.

As we celebrate this feast, we give thanks not just for an ancient building in Rome, but for the living Church of which we are part. Our parish church, where we gather week by week, is a visible sign of that wider communion. May it always be a place of prayer, welcome, and renewal, a place where the living water of God’s grace flows out to bring life to our community.

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Ian

Anniversaries from the week commencing 9th November 2025

Rosa Pitcairn, Snehaprabha Santhirasenan , Vida Mae Williams, Sr Marcela McMahon, Philomena Coleman, Christopher McCauley, Alexa Haider, Kathleen Murphy, Peter Glover, Sr Mary Howard MMM, Peter McElwee, Eugene Hardingham, Norman Walton, Ben Ball, Regina Macwan, Eta McCorry, Joan Murphy, George Bodnar, Abed Jajou, Kathleen Keenan, Anne Taylor, Stanislaw Palkowski, Mary Hooper, Maurice Mulcahy, John Flynn, Tim Lucey, Donald Cameron, Barry Murphy, Concillia Moyo, Jean Lilian Hutchins, Peter Devons, Allan Leverton

Information & Diary

Sunday 9th November THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERN BASILICA

Second collection for Sick & Retired Priests' Fund will take place next Sunday during all Masses. See back page for more details.

Monday 10th November St Leo the Great

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Tuesday 11th November ST MARTIN OF TOURS

1pm-3pm: Senior citizens-Coffee lounge

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

7.30pm: Showing of Pope Francis' s Caring for our Common Home film "The Letter (part 1), followed by discussion. In the bullbeck room. All welcome

Wednesday 12th November

10-12pm: Benedict Renew. In the coffee lounge.

7.00-8.15pm: Ealing Abbey Lay Plainchant Choir, Maurice Fowler Hall.

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

Thursday 13th November ALL SAINTS OF THE ORDER OF ST BENEDICT

9.30-12.30: Toddlers group will resume next Thursday 20th November in the 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 14th November

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

Saturday 15th November

10am-12pm: Art and prayer group. Abbot Ford Room.

See back page for more details.

2pm-4.30pm: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers

Afternoon of Reflection in the bullbeck room. See back page for more details.

Sanctuary Lighting: Race night on Saturday, 18th October raised an incredible **£11.205.05**. *A Big Thank You* to all the Parishioners who gave so generously and donated prizes. Thank you also to the many Sponsors of the event for their continued support of Ealing Abbey Parish. We are very grateful and appreciate so much your support and generosity. *Thank you to Keith Brett for hosting and coordinating the event. And always in gratitude to Mary Nolan & Eileen Burgess for their incredible dedication and hard work in supporting the life of Ealing Abbey Parish over so many years.* And God said **"LET THERE BE LIGHT!"** Gen 1:3

Finance News

2nd November 2025

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £1738

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

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund Collection

The second collection next week will be for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. Last year, the Diocese of Westminster provided care to 73 retired priests, at a cost of £1,270,000. Caring for our brother priests in their senior years, or at a time of illness, is a fundamental part of the mission of our diocese. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. You will find a donation envelope at the back of the church today. Please take one home and bring it back next weekend with your donation. You can make a one-off donation, or you can set up a regular donation and become a Patron by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all our clergy: active, retired and ill. Thank you.

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers afternoon of reflection

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers Afternoon of Reflection will be held by Deacon Ian on Saturday 15th November from 2pm – 4.30pm in the Bulbeck Room. Extraordinary Ministers and Readers are reminded they should attend an afternoon of reflection prior to being recommissioned at the end of November.

Art and prayer group

The Art & Prayer Group are meeting on Saturday 15th November 10am-12 Noon in the Abbot Ford Room for reflection on the theme of "Humility". Join them for a chance to use creative visual art in response to Scripture and Catholic spiritual writings in a supportive setting. No skills required or taught. Please bring £5 to cover cost of materials or bring your own. All welcome. Contact Karolina Stolarska rozamarias@gmail.com

Red Wednesday

Wednesday 19 November is Red Wednesday, when we remember persecuted and suffering Christians throughout the world. Masses in the Abbey on that day will be for their intention. The Parish Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) group are organising supporting events and displays prior to Red Wednesday: On Friday 14 November, gift and Christmas card sale in the Coffee Lounge, with coffee and cakes, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. On Sunday 16 November, gift and Christmas card sale in the Bookshop porch after all morning Masses. Raffle tickets will be on sale at both events. The ACN group will also be collecting obsolete/foreign coins and notes in support of ACN.