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Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict Newsletter and Information bulletin

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SUNDAY 4 OF EASTER

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 1 Pet 2: 20b-25; John10 :1-10



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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

<u>MASSES</u>
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,

On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, Good Shepherd Sunday, the Gospel invites us to dwell again on one of the most reassuring images Jesus gives us; that of the shepherd and his sheep. Yet in this passage Jesus speaks not only as the shepherd, but also as the doorway, the one through whom the sheep enter into safety, freedom, and life.

This might seem an unusual image at first. We are perhaps more familiar with Jesus as the one who leads, protects, and searches for the lost. But here, He tells us something even more fundamental; He is the way in. “I am the door” He says, “If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture”. In other words, Jesus is not only our guide, He is our access to life itself.

There is a quiet but powerful promise in these words. To be “saved” does not mean a life without difficulty or challenge, but rather a life held securely in God’s love. To “go in and out” suggests a relationship of trust, not fear, a life where we are not confined, but truly alive. And to “find pasture” speaks of nourishment, rest, and the deep satisfaction that only God can give.

Jesus contrasts this with the voices that do not come from Him, voices that confuse, distract, or even harm. In every age, including our own, there are many such voices competing for our attention. Some promise happiness but leave us empty; others appeal to our fears or anxieties. The challenge for us is to recognise the voice of the Good Shepherd which is a voice that is never harsh or coercive, but always calls us by name, leading us gently towards what is good and true.

Perhaps this Sunday offers us an opportunity to pause and listen more carefully? How do we hear the voice of Christ in our daily lives? Often it comes quietly in prayer, in Scripture, in the wisdom of the Church, or even in the kindness and example of others. It may not always be the loudest voice, but it is the one that brings peace.

Jesus also tells us why He has come: “I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” This is not a distant or abstract promise. It is for here and now. The fullness of life Jesus offers is not measured by success or comfort, but by love, a life rooted in God, open to others, and shaped by compassion, generosity, and hope.

As we continue through this Easter season, we are reminded that the Good Shepherd who laid down His life for us is now risen and alive. He continues to lead His flock, calling each one of us into a deeper relationship with Him.

May we learn to recognise His voice more clearly. And may we have the courage to follow where He leads, confident that in Him we will always find safety, freedom, and life in abundance.

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Ian

Anniversaries from the week commencing 26th April 2026

Sister Mary Stanislaus, Kathleen O'Toole, Thomas Carroll,
Lucie Donnelly, Rosaleen Taylor, Judy Ebbett, James Griffin-Roach,
Marek November, Hanna Matejewska, Amanda Trafford,
Dom Aelred Barnes, Patrick Costello, Martin Thomas Flynn,
Jerome Coutinho, Charles Jessop, Francis Clifford, Bridget Bermejo, Richard
Sandys, Veronica Mary Heffernan, Mary Lyons,
Edith Orpin, Guy Mangion, Jane Thompson, Mary Whybrew,
Alberta Thaddeus, Bernard Kaukas,

Information & Diary

Sunday 26th April

Second collection for priest's training fund will take place during all Masses

Monday 27th April

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Tuesday 28th April

1-3pm: Senior citizens. In the Coffee Lounge.

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

Wednesday 29th April St Catherine of Siena

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

7.30pm: Ealing Newman circle talk. See back page for more details

Thursday 30th April St Erconwald

9.30- 12.30: Toddlers group 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 1st May

9.45-11 am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament-Newman Chapel

Saturday 2nd May St Athanasius

10-11 am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11.15 am Mass of Hope and Healing. See back page for more details

Finance News

19th April 2026

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £1796

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

Cake Sale

Two students from Cardinal Wiseman School, who are also members of our parish, will be holding a cake sale to help raise funds for their travel expenses to Lourdes this year.

The sale will take place on April 26 during the morning Masses.

Please note that cash payments will only be accepted

Ealing Newman Circle

Authority and Obedience

A forthcoming talk will explore the theology of St John Henry Newman and its relevance for the Church today. The event, part of an ongoing series examining Newman's thought, will focus on the question of how God speaks to us and the role of conscience in shaping our response. Speaker: Dr Geertjan Auijdwegt, from the University of Louvain. The talk will take place on Wednesday 29 April at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Mass of Hope and Healing

There will be a Mass of Hope and Healing for survivors and all those impacted by abuse, and dedication of plaque, at Ealing Abbey at 11.15am on Saturday 2nd May.

All parishioners and others very welcome.

Parish Liturgy for those affected by Suicide

Wednesday 13th May 2026

7.15 pm gathering at the Abbey steps

Priest Training Fund – Supporting Future Priests

Today, on Good Shepherd Sunday, there is a second collection for the Priest Training Fund. This fund supports the formation of men who are responding to God's call to serve as priests in our diocese. Their journey involves years of preparation — human, spiritual, and pastoral — equipping them to serve parish communities in the years ahead. Your support helps make this formation possible. It is a direct way of strengthening the life of the Church and ensuring that future generations will continue to receive the sacraments and pastoral care. If you are able, please give generously in today's collection. You may also donate via rcdow.org.uk/PriestTrainingFund
Please also continue to pray for vocations and for those currently in formation.