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Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict Newsletter and Information Bulletin

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SUNDAY 11 IN ORDINARY TIME

Exod 19: 2-6a, Rom 5 : 6-11 ; Matt 9: 36-10:8



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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		6.00am	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,

Last time I wrote I mentioned the possibility of meeting the surprising, the extraordinary or even magical in the most ordinary events. Now, I admit that my example of a plumber trapped inside his own van on Blakesley Avenue is hardly an everyday happening (or is it? Perhaps I just walk past without hearing the plaintive cries for help?), so I thought that this time I'd mention something mundane, a loaf of bread.

Last night I dreamt about bread. This may have been because I am the monastery bread maker, or because the feast of Corpus Christi was at last making itself felt in my subconscious, which would be a good thing because far too often all our attention on big feasts is in preparing for them and then rapidly forgetting them (think of Christmas which nowadays begins sometime in November and is over by Boxing Day, whereas the purpose of the feast is to help us remember and dwell on the mystery celebrated. In my dream everyone was carrying around big bags of baguettes, which seemed to be a way of saying 'See, there's a real person here, notice me', which is what happens in transubstantiation, the theory of what happens on the altar given us by Thomas Aquinas, even if we normally misunderstand how it works. Being modern materialists by education and custom, we think substance refers to the substances that comprise us, all the bits inside. But for St Thomas, it's not the components that matter, but the whole thing. You are a whole substance in yourself, as are all the people around you, as is your cat. You are a whole person, that is your substance, and that is what happens in the Eucharist when the bread and wine become the whole person of Jesus Christ. The accidents, as we call them, are all the bits of us that change while leaving us still ourselves (like my thick, vigorously growing dark brown hair, which I used to have and which has been replaced by something without any of those qualities). The what seems like bread on the altar has become a whole person who calls out to us to take and eat and share in his life.

Now, sharing in the life of Jesus might be a tad more demanding than we are ready for, but that is what is on offer; there is no way of having just a bit of him, but then he accepts and cherishes and loves and forgives all of each one of us, which is not such a bad exchange if you think of it. This is the miracle of our life that we encounter everywhere if you choose to look, like the people behind the baguettes in my dream, like the plumber crying out to be freed from his van.

Meanwhile, enjoy a traditional (cool, damp) English summer!

Abbot Martin Shipperlee OSB

Anniversaries from the week commencing 14th June 2026

Peter Vincent, Kathleen Lyons, Eileen McLarney, Michael Tuohy, Elsie Coleman, Honour Dolan, Bernard Nesden, Josephine Ball, Gavin Bissett, Peter McElwee, Christine Nocek, Stephen Healy, Suzanne Conningham-Lindahl, Helen Lusty, Margaret Hickey, James Donovan, William English, Wilhelmina Litwinionek, Antoni Kaminski, Briony Pollock, Mary Hallinan, Derek Carroll, Madeleine Diener, Helen Bem, Marte O'Brien, Victor De Luca (Mansini), Don Nihal Liyanage, Derek Carroll, Janice Lee, Margaret Tighe, Margaret Mahoney, Madeline Blake, Peggy Gaynor

Information & Diary

Sunday 14th June

A Confirmation Mass will take place today at 3:00 p.m. Please keep in your prayers all those who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Next Sunday, 21 June, a second collection for Day for Life will be taken at all Masses.

Monday 15th June

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Tuesday 16th June

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

6.30pm: Meditation with Fr Robin Burgess. Bulbeck room.

Wednesday 17th June.

10am-12pm: Benedict Renew. Coffee lounge.

Gregorian Chant Lay Choir meet 7pm most Wednesdays.

Please check the Calendar at www.ealpc.org.

Thursday 18th June

9.30-12.30: Toddlers. 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 19th June St Romuald

9.45-11.00 am: Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 20th June

10-11.00 am: Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

12.00pm: Pro-life Mass - Newman Chapel

Finance News

May 7th June 2026

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £2017

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

First Holy Communion and Youth Group

First Holy Communion and Youth Group registration is now open. Please visit our website for further information, to complete the registration process or contact:

formation@ealingabbey.org.uk

The Benedictine Institute

The Benedictine Institute's Summer Schools return in July and August, with courses in Liturgy, Syriac, Biblical Hebrew and Latin. Ever thought of learning something new? Places are available on all courses. Details at <https://liturgyinstitute.org/courses-summer-2026/> or contact Clare at Clare@benedictine-institute.org or 0208 194 2320 (mornings only).

HCPT fundraiser event

An HCPT Fundraiser will be held in the Benet Bar on Friday, 19 June, in support of our special needs young pilgrims who will be travelling to Lourdes in 2027. Tickets will be available for purchase next week in the church porch after the Sunday morning Masses.

Music

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Michael Butterfield as Director of Music from 1 September. He succeeds Christopher Eastwood, who is stepping down after 20 years of leading the Abbey Choir. Christopher will conduct for the final time at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 5 July. A reception will follow to thank him for his outstanding contribution to the Abbey. Please join us afterwards in the Benet Bar to wish him well—especially if this comes as a surprise to him!

Ealing Charismatic Prayer Group

Come join us for worship songs, reading and reflecting on Scripture, healing and intercession prayer - and afterwards a cup of tea/coffee and a chat.

We are an informal prayer group within the tradition of the charismatic renewal, who meets every first and third Saturday of the month in Ealing Abbey's coffee lounge, from 3-5pm. Everyone welcome. Next Dates: Saturday 20th June 14th and 18th July. Through to the end of the year!

Local parishioner seeking a one-bedroom flat to rent in the Ealing area.

References from one or two former tenants and/or Trustpilot reviews would be appreciated. Evidence of previous rental experience can be provided upon request.

Please text or call between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm, Monday to Friday. Tel: 07591 837591