



26/07/2026

Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict

Newsletter and Information Bulletin

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SUNDAY 17 IN ORDINARY TIME

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Useful Contacts

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Pastoral Coordinator- position vacant

For any pastoral issues please contact the parish office

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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

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,

‘Ask not what your country can do for you — ask what you can do for your country.’ Many people will recognize these words and most Americans will know them to be a quote from the inaugural address of John F Kennedy, the first Catholic President of the USA. The speech was also an understated acknowledgement of the responsibility he faced as leader of probably the most powerful nation in the world. Probably not as many people know that he ended his speech with the words, ‘asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth God's work must truly be our own.’

King Solomon knew the responsibility he had been given. At a young age he had been given leadership of a powerful nation in the Near East. As John F Kennedy would do nearly three thousand years later, he knew that he needed God’s help for the task. When God offered him anything he wanted, he asked for wisdom. Yet he did not want wisdom for his own possession but as a tool to enable him to lead God’s people.

The Book of Proverbs, at least part of which may have been written by Solomon, describes wisdom as more precious than jewels (*Prov 3:15; 10:11*) and as a person, existing before the beginning of the earth (*Prov 8:23*), and Job says ‘the price of wisdom is above pearls’ (*Job 28:18*). The Carmelite scholar Roland E Murphy identified wisdom with the Lord. When Jesus compared the kingdom of heaven to a pearl of great price He was saying that He, Wisdom, was worth more than anything in the world. We are called to avoid being trapped by worldly desires and instead serve God.

Fr Bede OSB

Anniversaries from the week commencing 26th July 2026

Colin Wilson, Frank Doyle, Theresia Buchanan, Maria Melania Mankoo,
Gwladys Mary Webber, Simon Whelan, Marie Such, Harry Diggins,
Michael Slattery, Elizabeth Garton-Jones, Victoria Serra, Josette Wilmott,
Mary Ellen Sutton, Malcolm Fuggle, Fred Diggins, Constance O'Rourke,
Herbert Sweetman, Marie Thérèse Clare, Halina Wolnik-Kurjanowicz,
Declan McHale, Mary Ann Ooi, Stephen Kenny, Mary Lagaay, Michael Edwards,
Margaret (Peggy) Neill, Vera Nichols, Ramanlal Macwan, Helen Mary Mitchell,
Mary (May) Sweetman, Joan Hessian, Esther Cox, James Rosling,
Geoffrey Swaine, Frank McGovern, John Lynch, John Jeanneret,
Rita Toal, Gertrude McKey

Information & Diary

Sunday 26th July

Monday 27th July

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall.

Tuesday 28th July

Senior citizens will resume on 8th September 2026.

6.30pm: Meditation with Fr Robin Burgess. Bulbeck room. The next meditation session after this date will be held on 1 September 2026.

7.00pm: Aid to the Church in Need. Coffee lounge. All welcome

Wednesday 29th July SS Martha, Mary & Lazarus

10am-12pm: Benedict Renew: drop in free cafe. Enjoy peace and quiet or join in hobbies and activities. Coffee lounge.

Gregorian Chant Lay Choir meet 7pm most Wednesdays. Please check the Calendar at www.ealpc.org.

Thursday 30th July

Toddlers will resume 10th September. 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. There will be no Lectio Divina and meditation on August 20th and 27th.

Friday 31st July St Ignatius Loyola

10-11 am exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 1st August St Alphonsus Mary Di Liguori

Please note that **during August** there will be no 10.15am mass on Sundays in the Parish Hall; No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays, Fridays, or Saturdays and no Parish Bulletin. The Parish Office will be closed between Monday, 17th and Monday, 31st August. Benet Bar is closed during August. The next Parish Bulletin will be published on Sunday 6th September.

Finance News

July 19th, 2026

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £1527

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

LENTEN PROJECT 2026 – MARY'S MEALS UPDATE

Thanks to the support of Ealing Abbey parishioners, the fantastic sum of **£10,009.83** was raised for Mary's Meals, our 2026 Lenten Project. £19.15 feeds a child for a year, so this great donation will provide a lot of children in the poorest countries with at least one good meal per day. Thanks to all the great people who worked hard to raise such a fantastic sum and to the generous people who donated.

First Holy Communion and Youth Group 2027

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.

Please note that the last day of registration is Tuesday 4th August 2026.

HCPT

Many thanks to all those who attended and supported the HCPT fundraiser on the 19th of June in the Benet Bar. A total of £910 was raised.

Youth group volunteers needed

We are looking for volunteers who are enthusiastic about their faith to accompany our young adults in our youth group and preparing for Confirmation! If you are interested, contact Danielle at formation@ealingabbey.org.uk

Book Circle

The next meeting will be at 8.15 pm on Wednesday 16 September in the Coffee Lounge to discuss The House of Doors by Tan Twan Eng. The book to read for the following meeting is The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. All are welcome.'

Aid to the Church in Need

Home-baked bread and soup lunch with raffle for Aid to the Church in Need's Lebanon fund Thursday August 6th 1pm at home. See posters for website and QR code. Contact Annie 02089911081 or doroplacmartin@gmail.com. Raffle tickets and event donation portal available after Sunday Mass Aug 2 in bookshop porch.

Parish outing to Blenheim Palace

Wednesday 2 September, 9.30 am to 6 pm. The coach fare and entrance to the palace and grounds will be about £70. There are some limited spaces available. If interested, please contact Fr Robin Burgess at: robin.burgess@rcdow.org.uk.