15/11/2026

Ealing Abbey Church of St. Benedict

Newsletter and Information Bulletin

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SUNDAY 33 IN ORDINARY TIMES

Prov 31 : 10-13, 19-20, 30-31 ; 1 Thess 5 : 1-6 : Matt 25 :14-30



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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 MASSES

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

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

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)

Dear Parishioner,

In Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells us the parable of the talents. A man is going away on a journey and entrusts his property to three servants. One receives five talents, another two and the third just one. The first two servants put what they have received to good use, but the third buries his talent in the ground. When the master returns, he praises the first two but is disappointed with the third because he has done nothing with what he was given.

So, what is Jesus asking us to think about?

Many will be familiar with the expression, "You can be anything you want to be, provided you study and practice hard enough." It's a lovely thought and intended to encourage us. But if we're honest, it isn't entirely true. We all have different abilities, different gifts and different opportunities. Not everyone can become a great singer, a doctor or an athlete, no matter how hard you study or practise!

And that is perhaps the first message of Sunday's Gospel. We all have gifts, but they are not all the same and sometimes our greatest gifts are not immediately obvious.

In the first reading, we hear about a woman. She is hardworking, generous, wise and caring. She isn't famous or celebrated for some extraordinary achievement. Yet she is held up as an example, because of the person she is, how she acts and the way she uses what she has been given. It reminds us that God sees beyond our obvious talents and achievements. He sees the kindness, generosity, and love that we bring into the lives of others.

The second message is that God expects us to make use of the gifts we have been given. The master doesn't expect all three servants to produce the same amount. He simply expects each of them to make the best use of what they have received. Our gifts are not just for our own benefit; they are given to us so that we can use them for the good of others. We don't have to do extraordinary things. Quite often, it is the ordinary things, done with love, that make the greatest difference.

Finally, we shouldn’t allow fear or complacency to stop us. The third servant buries his talent because he was afraid of his master. Rather than taking a risk or making an effort, he decides to do nothing. Perhaps we recognise something of ourselves in that servant. How often do we hold back because we think we aren't good enough, or assume somebody else could do a better job? Sometimes we bury our gifts not because we don't have them, but because we lack the confidence or courage to use them.

So perhaps there are two simple questions we might take away from Sunday's Gospel. What gifts has God given me? And secondly, am I making use of them?

Yours in Christ,

Deacon Ian

Anniversaries from the week commencing 15th November 2026

Peter Devons, Allan Laverton, Yvonne Birnie, Austin Hussey, John Corcoran, John Tobin, John Neale, Patrick Flynn, Michael Fitzsimons, Michael Fitzgerald, Laura Biggs, John Joseph Scanlon, Joan Armstrong, Vernon Roberts, John (Jack) Morgan, Arthur Kelly, Janina Kaczmarska, Brendan Naughton, Gerry Neill, Mary Rea, Mary Crean, Robert Asmar, Christopher McCauley, Barry Murphy, Catherine Cordero Nickolachkova, Bill Quirke, Kathleen Bigwood, George Davis, Sister Marija Skrlj, Maria Saltariche, Mark Ferns, Germaine Pepinster, Doris Taylor, Garong Deng Deng, Alexander Frangakis, Piotr Bylanski, Desmond Foody

Information & Diary

Sunday 15th November

Second collection for Sick and Retired priests will take place after all the Masses.

Aid to the Church in Need group gift and card sale in the Bookshop porch after all morning Masses.
3-5pm: Care for Creation. Parish Hall. Film screening on climate changes.

Monday 16th November St Gertrude the Great

8-9pm: Bingo in the Parish Hall**.**

Tuesday 17th November

1-3pm: Senior citizens. Coffee Lounge.

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

Wednesday 18th November

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.

9:15 am & 6:00 pm Masses for the intention of suffering and persecuted Christians.

7.30 pm: Newman Circle. Bulbeck room

Thursday 19th November

9.30-12 pm: Toddlers group. 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 20th November

10-11am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Saturday 21st The Presentation of our Lady

10-11am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
10-12pm: Art and Prayer group. Old workshop.

Finance News

8th November2026

Collection Offertory, ATM, and others: £2084
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

Community of St Martin - Billets for seminary pilgrimage

One hundred seminarians from the Community of St Martin, based in Evron, France, are coming on a pilgrimage to London between 1 and 5 February 2027. If you might be able to billet one or more of the (student-aged) seminarians for four nights, please contact evenements@csm.fr for further details.

Second collection – Sick & Retired Priests' Fund

Today's second collection is for the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund. Please give generously and help ensure our sick and older priests are financially supported, having given us a lifetime of dedicated service. They have baptised us, welcomed us into the church, and offered comfort and prayer at times of sorrow. Now we have a chance to give back and ensure they have peace of mind during their senior years, when they may be facing failing health and declining mobility. Please give generously using the envelopes in the church. You can make a one-off donation or set up a regular gift and become a Patron by completing section 4 on the envelope form. You can also donate online at rcdow.org.uk/SRP – the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online.

Altar Cloths

We are seeking volunteers help with laundering the Altar cloths. This is a deeply peaceful and prayerful blessing. It offers a unique opportunity to care for the holy linens used during the Liturgy and the time spent washing and ironing is a wonderful space for quiet contemplation and prayer. We will gladly show you the simple, traditional care required. If you would like to bring this quiet blessing into your home, please contact the Parish Office

Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter - Appeal for Volunteers for 2027

We are preparing for our 2027 Ealing Churches Winter Night Shelter which will run from 8th Jan until 13th Feb 2027. There is a huge range of support you can provide to help this wonderful cause e.g. setting up beds; staying with clients overnight amongst other roles. For more information, please contact Robert in the Parish Office. You can also support us through the gift of prayer and via this link https://ealingabbeyparish.uk/giving/#give and find more information on our work at https://dosomethinggood.ealing.gov.uk/project/overnight-watch-homeless-shelter/

Ealing Charity Christmas Card Shop

A selection of Christmas cards is available in support of various charities, including SVP, Mary's Meals, CAFOD and Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea). The shop is open Monday to Saturday, 10am–4pm, at Christ the Saviour Church, Ealing.

IT and Marketing Volunteer Needed

The Abbey is seeking a volunteer with experience in IT and/or marketing to support the development and implementation of the charity's digital strategy. For further information, please contact **info@ealingabbey.org.uk**.

Recycled Christmas cards

Warmest thanks to all those who supported the recent sale of cards in aid of the work of the Medical Missionaries of Mary. For any further purchases, please phone 0208 998 0816.