

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**The Twenty-Ninth Sunday of The Year (C) - 16th October 2022**

**St John Fisher Church**

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Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday 9am to 2pm**



**MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Saturday 15th</b>	6:00pm	Daniele Maestri RIP Anniv.
<b>Sunday 16th</b>	8:00am	People of The Parish
<b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday (C)</b>	9:30am	Dr Antonio Noronha & Leoncdia Fernandes
	11:00am	Cecilia & Stan Imber RIP
	6:30pm	Daniel & Alice Hickey RIP
<b>Monday 17th</b> <i>St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	St Anthony - Thanksgiving  Patrick McManus RIP
<b>Tuesday 18th</b> <i>St Luke, Evangelist</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Tony McGonagle  Trish - Thanksgiving
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Very Rev. Bishop Howard Tripp RIP  Deceased Members of Conroy Family
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Gemma Shanahan RIP (4th Anniversary) Peter Raw RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
<b>Friday 21st</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Mary Leahy RIP Anniversary  Marie O'Leary RIP
<b>Saturday 22nd</b>	9:00am	Tess Foley RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
<b>Saturday 22nd</b>	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
	6:00pm	Geoff Walker RIP (3rd Anniversary)
<b>Sunday 23rd</b> <b>Thirtieth Sunday (C)</b> <b>World Mission Sunday</b>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Serena - Thanksgiving
	11:00am	Kevin Deegan RIP (From Sunday 11am Choir)
	6:30pm	Edward Platel RIP

**Baby Loss Remembrance:**

Throughout October we have a Baby Loss Memorial in Church to commemorate the lives of those lost before, during, or shortly after birth for any reason. The memorial space includes prayer cards, as well as details of support services for anyone who needs them. A prayer will be said at all Sunday Masses in October.

**Parish Advisory Council Meeting:**

The next meeting for members of the PAC takes place on Monday 17th October at 7:30pm in the hall.

**Parish Business:**

Monday 17th October from 7pm to 8pm.

**Confirmation - Sat. 19th November 2022 at 10am:**

- Presentation of the Our Father to the Confirmation candidates at the 9:30am Mass today.
- Sponsored Walk - Saturday 5th November
- Rite of Election - Sunday 6th November
- Sacrament of Reconciliation - Tues 8th Nov, 7:30pm
- Visit to St George's Cathedral - Sat 12th Nov
- Tuesday 15th November at 7:30p - Confirmation Practice in the Church

Please download a copy of the letter from our website for all the important dates:

<http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/sacrament-of-confirmation-letter-dates-2022.pdf>

**Bishop Howard Tripp RIP:**

Bishop Howard Tripp sadly passed away on Monday 3rd October. We remember with gratitude all the work he did in our Parish, first as the Area Bishop of the Southwest Pastoral Area, and then after his retirement when he was residing at St. Catherine's Close. We have opened a book of condolences for him, and a special prayer is said for the happy repose of his soul at each Mass. The details of his funeral will be communicated soon. May his soul rest in peace.

**Missio - Second Collection - Next weekend:**

Missio is the Church's official organ for the support of foreign missions. The collection taken on World Mission Sunday goes in its entirety to support Churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Missio works through local bishops. Churches and missionary congregations to ensure that resources are distributed equitably and justly on the basis of need. The money goes directly from England and Wales to the bishops in the mission territories: local church directly helping local church.



### **Confessions in the Day Chapel:**

Confessions now take place in the Day Chapel. Times remain the same: Saturday morning from 9:30am to 10:30am and Saturday evening from 5:00pm to 5:50pm.

### **St John Fisher Youth Club:**

Friday 4th November from 7:30pm to 9pm in the hall for school year 6 and above.

### **Safeguarding:**

The Archdiocese of Southwark is committed to the safety and welfare of children and vulnerable adults. The Diocese co-operates fully with CSAS, the Catholic Safeguarding Advisory Service, which aims to help the Church become an example of best practice in the Safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, and develop a "culture of vigilance" to ensure that children and vulnerable adults in our care are kept safe from harm. The parish safeguarding representative for St John Fisher Parish is Mrs Ursula O'Byrne and she can be contacted on 07943800663. If you have any concerns please contact her immediately.

### **Weekly Offertory Donations:**

Thank you dear parishioners for contributing generously towards the running costs of the Parish. In case anyone wishes to make donations in this regard, please use any of the following 4 ways:

1. Please email [merton@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:merton@rcaos.org.uk) for a pledge form
2. Continue to use your weekly gift aid envelopes
3. Donate on our website or scan the QR code which can be found on the poster at the back of Church or in the Hall.
4. Donate to our parish justgiving page:

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-john-fisher-merton](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-john-fisher-merton)

### **Thanksgiving Celebration for Parish Volunteers:**

Saturday 29th October after the 6pm Mass in the hall. The clergy of our parish invite any volunteers who help our parish in any way to this thanksgiving celebration: Mass Servers, Sacristans, Stewards, Cleaners, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors, Counters, Church decorators, Catechists, Uniform group leaders, those involved in the children's liturgy, toddler and senior citizens group, those who help with the maintenance of our Church and grounds and members of parish groups such as Justice & Peace and SVP are all welcome. *Please add your name to the list at the back of Church if you are able to attend as we need to know how many parishioners to cater for.*

### **First Holy Communion Clothing - Request for Help:**

St Vincent's Parish in Hull are looking for any white first holy communion dresses or boys suits that could be given to children whose families can not afford to buy them. If you have any first communion dresses/suits/shoes etc that you no longer need, please consider donating them to St. Vincent's for their children to wear. Items can be dropped off at the presbytery. Please email the parish office [merton@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:merton@rcaos.org.uk) if you have any questions.

### **Over 60's Club:**

Thursday 20th October from 1pm to 3pm in the Church hall, all welcome.

### **Church Attendance Slips:**

All Children will require a school reference when applying to Catholic High Schools, slips are available at the back of Church for Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The parish will use these slips to keep a record of (Saturday Evening or (Sunday) Mass attendance when signing reference forms. Please, DO NOT FILL IN THESE SLIPS for any child who is not present, or if your child is not attending Holy Mass on a Saturday Evening or Sunday.

### **School Supplementary Forms**

If you require a school supplementary form to be signed for **Nursery, Reception** or **High School**, please drop the forms through the presbytery letterbox at anytime and include a copy of the Baptism certificate. You will be contacted when the form is ready for collection.

### **Daily Rosary:**

There is a daily rosary (Monday to Friday) at 8:30am. If you are able to lead the rosary even if just for one day a week, please sign up at the back of Church.

### **Diocesan Day for Catechists - Saturday 12th Nov:**

The annual diocesan day for catechists will take place on **Sat. 12th Nov 2022** Amigo Hall and St George's Cathedral, starting with registration from 10.00am and ending with Mass at 4pm. This event is for all the catechists of the Archdiocese. Please email the parish office by Monday 31st October if you are able to attend so that we can complete the registration process.

### **Faith In Action - Thank you Letter:**

We have received a letter of thanks from Faith in Action for our last collection. A copy of the letter is available to read on the church noticeboard in the narthex.

### **Wimbledon College - Job Vacancy:**

School Receptionist vacancy for November 2022: Further information available on the school website [www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk](http://www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk)

**INFANT BAPTISMS:** First Sunday of the month at 3pm. Please complete a baptism request form and return to the presbytery. Deacon Tom will then contact you to discuss the baptism:

<http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/baptism-request-form.pdf>

**Marriages:** About getting married, wherever and whenever, please contact a priest as soon as possible. We need at least 6 months notice.

### **Hospital:**

If you are going into hospital as a patient, and wish to see a chaplain, you will need to ask the hospital staff or a member of your family to arrange for the chaplain to visit you.

**Father Philip Pak:** ST HELIER'S CHAPLAIN'S number is: **07459 226 823** and **07591 596 656**. **Catholic Chaplains** at ST GEORGE'S, Tooting, their number is: **020 8725 3069** email [catholicchaplains@stgeorges.nhs.uk](mailto:catholicchaplains@stgeorges.nhs.uk)

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish : **Cath Harrington, Canon Acton, Giovanni Fugaccia, Deacon Fred Carter, James Johnson, Tony Brook, Maura Chubbra, Luca Buttaci, Kitty McVey, Rita Platel, Teresa Daly, Edward Alvares, Christine Henderson, Naomi Whetton, Johnny Symmonds, Kathy Metcalf, Patricia Anderson, Jenny Ryan, Ave (Eve) Leccacorvi, Irene McGrenra, Anthony Carter, Charles Ducker, Richard Sullivan, Joseph McGahren, Tommy & John Heffron.**

