

Fisherman's Herald
The Sixteenth Sunday of The Year (C) - 17th July 2022

St John Fisher Church

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 16th	6:00pm	Adrian Donaghue (Intentions)
Sunday 17th <i>Sixteenth Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Canon Acton
	11:00am	Tom Davis RIP (Thanksgiving for his life)
	6:30pm	Tim Daly RIP
Monday 18th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Deva Paul RIP Phil Power RIP Anniversary
Tuesday 19th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Mary Kelly RIP Tommy Gerard McClusky RIP
Wednesday 20th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Brian Gallagher RIP Alice Francisca & Victor de Souza
Thursday 21st	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Judith Reynolds RIP Vincent Aloysius & Ida Clotilda Lobo
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 22nd <i>St Mary Magdalene, Feast</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Cynthia Crowe RIP Anniversary Lewis, Joseph, Margaret & Edmund Lobo
Saturday 23rd <i>St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe, Feast</i>	9:00am	Brian D'Sa - 70th Birthday
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Hall)</i>
Saturday 23rd	6:00pm	Tim Daly RIP
Sunday 24th <i>Seventeenth Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Lynette RIP
	11:00am	Anna Lusack
	6:30pm	Sally - Intentions

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Over 60s Club:

The last meeting before the summer break for the Over 60s will be on Thursday 21st July from 1pm to 3pm in the Church Hall.

Youth Club:

The last meeting for the summer term will be on Friday 22nd July from 7:30pm to 9pm in the Church hall for those in school year 6 and above.

Mass Intentions:

If you would like to book a Mass please either email the parish office at merton@rcaos.org.uk or complete a Mass Intention envelope available at the back of Church and post your request through the presbytery door. If you are registered for gift aid, please include your gift aid number so the parish can claim an additional 25%.

Parish Advisory Council Meeting:

The next PAC meeting takes place on Monday 18th July at 7:30pm in the Church hall.

Mothers Prayers - Friday 22nd July:

From 9:30am to 10am in the day chapel. All welcome.

Our Lady of Walsingham:

† Pilgrimage to Walsingham on **Sat. 24th September**. Cost of coach travel is £30 per person. If you wish to participate in this pilgrimage, please sign up on the list at the back of Church. Payment can be made by cash or cheque (please make cheques payable to 'RCASMERTON'). Please post payments through the presbytery letterbox by Sunday 28th August including your name/s on the envelope.

Confirmation 2022: Saturday 19th November:

Thank you to all those who have registered for the Sacrament of Confirmation in November. The first parents meeting takes place on Monday 12th Sept. at 8pm in the hall. Please visit www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/confirmation.php for more information.

First Holy Communion - June 2023:

Thank you to all those who have registered for our First Holy Communion programme next year. The first meeting will be on Thursday 15th September at 8pm in the Church. There will be a service of enrolment on Sunday 25th September at the 9:30am Mass.

Children's Liturgy :

Children's Liturgy has returned safely and successfully since November. We are now looking for adults (parents or grandparents etc.) to help deliver the children's liturgy on rota basis, approximately once every 5 or 6 weeks. All resources provided. Please email merton@rcaos.org.uk if you are able to help.

Daily Rosary:

There will be 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, volunteers needed.

Return of Obligation:

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have issued a document in which they have specified that the dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation ended on Pentecost Sunday. They invite all Catholics who have not yet returned to attending Mass in person to do so. Those who are elderly and sick for whom the obligation does not apply, online streaming of Mass will continue to be available. For full details of the Bishops' document please visit: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/spring-plenary-2022-resolution-returning-to-mass-at-pentecost/>

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.

Diocesan Day for Catechists - New Date:

The annual diocesan day for catechists has been rescheduled, it will now take place on **Sat. 12th Nov 2022**. New registration forms will be sent out in September ahead of the new date.

Wimbledon College Vacancy:

Wimbledon College are looking to employ a Swimming Coach for September 2022. Further information is available on their website www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk, or please contact hr@wimbledoncollege.org.uk or 020 8879 9323.

7-9th Oct 2022 Young Catholic Adults (YCA)

Weekend Retreat:

At Douai Abbey with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials). Prices start from £12 (come for the day) and £55 per person per night (residential). Book soon as places are limited! Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16th September 2022).

For More information:

<http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/>

<http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>

To book go to

<https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>

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.

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon 11th - 15th October:

Led by Fr Nelson Cabanero, Society of Montfort Missionaries. If you are interested, please contact the parish office for a booking form or contact St Peter's Pilgrimages on 0203 773 5115 or visit www.stpeterspilgrimages.com Cost from £650 per person. For details of the itinerary, please see poster on Church noticeboard.

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

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 3 ways:

1. Please email 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

Church Hall Hire:

If you would like to book our Church Hall, please contact Praetorium (our booking management company) www.lowcosthalls.co.uk

Summer Break:

Please note the following groups will be closed for the summer break:

- ⇒ **Mother's Prayers** - Last session before the Summer break will be on Friday 29th July. The group will return on Friday 9th September.
- ⇒ **Parent & Toddlers** - Last group before the Summer break will be on Thursday 21st July, the group returns on Thurs 8th September.
- ⇒ **Senior Citizens** - Last session before the Summer break will be on Thursday 21st July. Group returns on Thursday 6th October.
- ⇒ **Children's Liturgy** - Last session will be on Sunday 24th July, returning on Sun 11th September

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You

PLEASE COMPLETE A SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIP

(SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE IN SCHOOL YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6)