

Fisherman's Herald
The Twenty-Fifth Sunday of The Year (C) - 18th September 2022

St John Fisher Church

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 17th	6:00pm	Lionel Paul RIP
Sunday 18th	8:00am	People of The Parish
Twenty-Fifth Sunday (C) Home Mission Sunday	9:30am	Ken & Margaret Scurry
	11:00am	Dennis Lonergan RIP
	6:30pm	Vera Waters
Monday 19th	9:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	10:00am	Queen Elizabeth II RIP Margaret Donegan RIP (1st Anniversary)
Tuesday 20th <i>St Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest & Paul Chong Hasang, and companions</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Marlene Saldanha RIP Deceased Members of Alvares & Rodrigues Families
Wednesday 21st <i>St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Maureen Quinn RIP Edward Platel RIP
Thursday 22nd	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	John Grace RIP Richard Druce RIP (2nd Anniversary)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 23rd <i>St Pius of Pietrelcina [Padre Pio] Priest</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Adie Barron RIP Pat Kelly RIP
Saturday 24th	9:00am	Jack Britto RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
Saturday 24th	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
	6:00pm	Harris Addeh
Sunday 25th Twenty-Sixth Sunday (C)	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Delia - Intentions
	11:00am	Mary O'Connor
	6:30pm	Alexis Gonzalez

Second Collection - Today:

Today is Home Mission Sunday. There will be a second collection for the Catholic Agency for the support of Evangelization. This collection provides the bishops of England and Wales with resources to support Home Mission, the spread of gospel in our own country. The money collected enables a breadth of work to be done work to be done in support of parish evangelization.

Parish Business/Parish Office:

No parish business on Monday 19th due to the bank holiday. The parish office will also be closed on Monday 19th September.

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.

RCIA Program-September 2022:

If you wish to register for the RCIA Program which begins in September, please go the Parish website: http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/sacramental_life.php The program is meant for adults who wish to be baptized or receive any of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, i.e., Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

Confirmation - November 2022:

- There will be a service of enrolment for all Confirmation candidates during the 9:30am Mass on Sunday 18th September. All candidates are expected to attend.
- The second parents meeting takes place on Monday 26th September at 8pm in the hall. All candidates should be represented at this meeting.

First Holy Communion - June 2023:

The second parents meeting will be on Thursday 22nd September at 8pm in the Church. There will be a service of commitment next Sunday 25th September at the 9:30am Mass.

Bank Holiday - Mass at 10am:

Mass will be celebrated at 10am on Monday 19th September due to the bank holiday for the Queen's funeral. All are welcome to come together in praying for the repose of Her Majesty's soul.

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.

Over 60's Club:

Returns on Thursday 6th October from 1pm to 3pm in the Church hall, all welcome.

Talkabout:

Our parish magazine will be available from next weekend. Donations towards printing costs are appreciated.

Our Lady of Walsingham:

Our parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on **Saturday 24th September**. The coach will depart from our car park at 6:30am, please arrive by 6:15am.

Return time is approximately 8:30pm.

Please bring a packed lunch and drinks. You may wish to bring a folding chair/stool. Further details of the programme are available on our website:

<http://stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/walsingham-pilgrimage-2022.pdf>

Funerals:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

Antonietta Proto RIP:

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 20th Sept. at 12:30pm.

Angela Daphne Cormack RIP:

Requiem Mass on Wednesday 21st Sept. at 12:30pm.

Edward Platel RIP:

Requiem Mass on Thursday 22nd Sept. at 12 noon.

Eliane Patton RIP:

Requiem Mass on Friday 23rd September at 12:30pm.

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 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

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 available soon.

Church Hall Hire:

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

St Bernadette Relic Tour - 2022

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage from Lourdes to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in a church or cathedral near to their home. Please register your attendance choosing a free, dedicated timeslot at your chosen church or cathedral. The reservation system is now open and can be accessed at: stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/

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.

Restored Lives:

Struggling after the breakdown of a significant relationship either now or in the past? This eight-session online course is for you. It runs for consecutive Monday evenings from 7-9.30pm starting October 3. More details:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/restored-lives-32666416387>

Grief In Loss, Hope in Christ:

Recently bereaved? Emotions out of control? Feeling at a loss? This weekend is for those who are in mourning. A time for you. A space for you. It's being held at Aylesford Priory from October 7-9. More details: 01622 717272.

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

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)