

Fisherman's Herald
The Thirtieth Sunday of The Year (C) - 23rd October 2022

St John Fisher Church

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 22nd	6:00pm	Geoff Walker RIP (3rd Anniversary)
Sunday 23rd <i>Thirtieth Sunday (C)</i> <i>World Mission Sunday</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Serena - Thanksgiving
	11:00am	Kevin Deegan RIP (From Sunday 11am Choir)
Monday 24th	6:30pm	Edward Platel RIP
	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
Tuesday 25th	9:00am	Pat Igoe RIP
	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
Wednesday 26th	9:00am	Sheila O'Hara RIP
	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
Thursday 27th	9:00am	Ronald Anderson RIP
	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Roisin Conlon - Birthday
Friday 28th <i>Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles</i>	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
Saturday 29th	9:00am	Canon Acton
	9:00am	Peggy Lyons RIP
Saturday 29th	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
Sunday 30th <i>Thirty-First Sunday (C)</i>	6:00pm	Deceased Members of Farrell Family
	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Helen O'Keefe RIP (Anniversary)
	11:00am	Gerry Ryan RIP (Anniversary)
Sunday 30th	6:30pm	Maurice Collingwood Nelson RIP (8th Anniversary)

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. A prayer will be said at all Sunday Masses in October.

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

- 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>

Funeral Details of Bishop Howard Tripp (RIP):

We have now received the details regarding the funeral of Bishop Howard Tripp at St. George's Cathedral Southwark.

- **Wednesday 2nd November - 18.00**
Reception of the Body followed by Mass of All Souls' Day.
- **Thursday 3rd November - 12.30.** Solemn Requiem Mass, followed by internment in the Cathedral Vault.

We would like to book a coach from St. John Fisher Church to St. George's Cathedral for those who wish to attend the funeral but are unable to travel by public transport. Please add your name to the list at the back of the Church if you would like to book a seat on the coach.

Missio - Second Collection - This 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.

All Saints' Day - Tuesday 1st November:

Is a holyday of Obligation. All able bodied Catholics are expected to attend Mass unless any serious reason, sickness or distance prevents. There will be Mass on **Monday 31st October at 6pm** and on **Tuesday 1st November at 9am and 7:30pm.**

All Souls' Day - Wednesday 2nd November:

There will be two Masses to mark All Souls Day. During the 7:30pm Mass, the names of all who have died in this parish since All Souls Day 2021 will be read out and a candle lit for each.



Parish Business:

No parish business this week.

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 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

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.*

Cakes & Christmas Craft Sale:

This sale will be held in the hall after all Masses on 5th/6th November, raising money for Aid to the Church in Need and the charity LIFE".

Blessing of Graves - Sunday 13th November at 3pm:

There will be a short service outside the chapel at the Merton and Sutton Joint Cemetery in Garth Road. Following it, clergy will be available to bless individual graves for any relatives or friends of parishioners who are buried there or in the Morden Cemetery/ Crematorium.

Peter Raw RIP:

There will be a Mass for Peter Raw on Sun 6th Nov at 6:30pm. Many families will remember Peter as headteacher of St John Fisher Primary school for many years.

Over 60's Club:

Thursday 27th 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 during term time. 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.

Wimbledon College - Job Vacancy:

School Receptionist vacancy for November 2022: Further information available on the school website 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

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish : **Victor Pierson, 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.**



NO MASS ATTENDANCE SLIPS THIS WEEK DUE TO THE HALF TERM HOLIDAY