

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**The Seventeenth Sunday of The Year (C) - 24th July 2022**  
**St John Fisher Church**

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Part of the R. C. Archdiocese of Southwark Charity No: 1173050  
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 Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday - 9am to 2pm**



**MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Saturday 23rd</b>	6:00pm	Tim Daly RIP
<b>Sunday 24th</b>  <i>Seventeenth Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Lynette RIP
	11:00am	Anna Lusack
	6:30pm	Sally (Intentions)
<b>Monday 25th</b> <i>St James, Apostle</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Ignes & Victor RIP
<b>Tuesday 26th</b> <i>Sts Joachim &amp; Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Marlene Saldanha RIP
<b>Wednesday 27th</b>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Anna Lusack
<b>Thursday 28th</b>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Innocencia Fernandes RIP
	9:30-10:30am	Weekly Adoration
<b>Friday 29th</b> <i>Sts Mary, Martha &amp; Lazarus</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Father David Gummett
<b>Saturday 30th</b>	9:00am	George Tracey RIP
	9:30-10:30am	Confessions (Hall)
<b>Saturday 30th</b>	6:00pm	Sherlie Saunders & Family
<b>Sunday 31st</b>  <i>Eighteenth Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Antony Carter
	11:00am	Idalina Santos RIP
	6:30pm	Teresa Pollard (Intentions)

**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

**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](http://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. Please email [merton@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:merton@rcaos.org.uk) if you are able to help.

**Church Hall Hire:**

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

**Altar Servers - Summer Holiday:**

If you are going on holiday please can you please either email Rob with the dates or put them on the list in the sacristy.

**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.

**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, 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 - Term Time Only:**

Church attendance slips will return on Sunday 11th September.

### **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](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)

### **A Day with Mary:**

St Anselm, Balham High Road, London SW17 on Saturday 30th July 2022 and St Saviour, Lewisham High Street, London SE13 on Saturday 13th August.

Please see poster on Church noticeboard or visit [www.adaywithmary.org](http://www.adaywithmary.org) for more information

### **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/> or <http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>.

To book go to

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

*Praying for you all to have a joyful and refreshing  
Summer holiday - The Parish Clergy*

### **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](http://www.stpeterspilgrimages.com)

Cost from £650 per person. For details of the itinerary,

### **Summer Break:**

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

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

### **Repository:**

The repository will be closed until September

**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)

### **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

**NO SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIPS THIS WEEK DUE TO THE SUMMER HOLIDAY**