

Fisherman's Herald

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B) - 28th April 2024

St John Fisher Church

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 27th	6:00pm	Benny Fernandes RIP Anniversary
Sunday 28th	8:00am	Leonardo Macaraig
Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)	9:30am	People of The Parish
	11:00am	Giovanni Fugaccia RIP (1st Anniversary)
	6:30pm	Margaret Clancy RIP (1st Anniversary)
Monday 29th <i>St Catherine of Sienna, Virgin & Doctor of the Church</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Maureen Harper RIP Anniversary Celine Cooper (92nd Birthday)
Tuesday 30th <i>Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Steve Lobo RIP Alice Beirne (Wellbeing)
Wednesday 1st	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Fares Moussaid RIP Shirley & Adrian
Thursday 2nd <i>St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i> <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Maria Victoria Syjud Crispin (6th Birthday) Fr David Gummett
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 3rd <i>Sts Philip & James, Apostles</i> First Friday	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Julian Desmier
	8:00pm	Audrey Lawler RIP
Saturday 4th <i>The English Martyrs</i> First Saturday	8:00-8:45am	<i>First Saturday Devotions</i>
	9:00am	Michael & Eileen
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
Saturday 4th	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
	6:00pm	George & Leonilda Hills RIP Anniversary
Sunday 5th Sixth Sunday of Easter (B)	8:00am	Selina Paul
	9:30am	John Davis RIP
	11:00am	Neville Desmier (Thanksgiving)
	4:00pm	<i>May Marian Procession</i>
	6:30pm	People of The Parish

Fatima Visitation - 27th & 28th April:

This weekend the World Apostolate of Fatima-England and Wales is bringing to our parish the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue. All are invited and encouraged to come and see this beautiful National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, with the Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco. Please see poster at the back of Church for a detailed timetable.

Parish AGM - Sunday 28th April:

The Parish Annual General Meeting will take place in the Parish Hall this evening after the 6.30pm Mass. Light refreshments will be available before the Meeting at 7.15pm.

Please note, the Meeting is open to all Parishioners.

Maintenance of St George's Cathedral

Second Collection - This Weekend:

There is a second collection for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral, Southwark, the mother Church of the diocese. This collection helps meet with the cost of the upkeep of the Cathedral.

Parish Business:

Monday 29th April from 7pm to 8pm.

First Friday - 3rd May:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm followed by Mass at 8pm.

First Saturday Devotions - 4th May:

Rosary and keeping Our Lady company within Adoration and Benediction from 8am to 8:45am.

May Marian Procession in honour of Our Lady:

There will be a Procession and Crowning of her Statue Next Sunday 5th May at 4pm.

Food Collection - Christian Care - Next Weekend:

Next weekend we will be collecting for Christian Care. They appreciate: Biscuits, Cooking Oil, Tins of Fish/Meat, Tins of Fruit & Toiletries.

Please bring donations to the hall before Mass.

Rite of Election - 1st Holy Communion Candidates:

At the 9:30am Mass next Sunday, 5th May.

Funerals:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

Annie Peak RIP:

Requiem Mass - Thursday 2nd May at 12:30pm.

Rita Aguiar RIP:

Requiem Mass - Tuesday 14th May at 12:30pm.

(For catering purposes, if you are planning to attend Rita's wake in our parish hall, please contact Canute at canuted@hotmail.com)

Church Cleaning - May:

Cleaning of the Church on Weds 8th May and Weds 22nd May at 9:30am. New volunteers welcome.

Nursery Places - St John Fisher Primary School:

Afternoon Nursery places available for September 2024. There is also an opportunity for children to start an hour earlier and join lunch club (chargeable) where they can have lunch together. Please call Mrs Aldred for more information. <https://www.st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk/>

Tea / Coffee - After 8am Mass:

Next Sunday and on the first Sunday of every month there will be Tea/Coffee served in the Church Hall after the 8am Sunday Mass. Everyone welcome.

42nd Street Dance Band - Saturday 11th May:

Our new parish social committee have arranged their first fundraising event. Please see the poster at the back of Church for more details. The last few remaining tickets can be purchased after Mass or from the parish office, cost: £10. Thank you to those who have donated the amazing raffle prizes.

First Holy Communion Programme - June 2025:

Please download the registration form on our website to register for First Holy Communion next year (for those children currently in school year 2)

<http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/firstholychommunion.php>

Confirmation - Saturday 16th November 2024:

Please download a registration form from www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/confirmation.php and return it to the parish office with a copy of the baptism certificate (for those currently in school year 7).

Cathedral Mass celebrating Marriage:

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th or any later wedding anniversary this year, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at a Mass to be celebrated at St George's Cathedral, Southwark, at 3pm on July 13. In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, email mflsw@rcaos.org.uk with your names, address, phone number, anniversary and parish.

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.

A Day With Mary:

Sunday 12th May at the National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham. Please see poster on Church noticeboard for more information or visit: www adaywithmary.org

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 using your weekly gift aid envelopes
3. Donate on our website or scan the QR code
4. Donate to our parish justgiving page:



www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-john-fisher-merton

Annual Mass for London Migrant Workers:

in honour of St Joseph the Worker is on Monday 6th May 2024 at St George's Cathedral, London SE1 6HR at 12.30pm. All are invited. Please come early. You are welcome to come in national dress if you would like to take part in the banner procession at 12.15pm. The Mass is hosted by the three London Catholic Diocese, supported by the J&P Commissions and Ethnic Chaplaincies, Caritas Brentwood and London Citizens UK. in celebration of all the people who live, work and contribute to life across our city.

INFANT BAPTISMS: First Sunday of the month at 3pm. The Church requests that children are brought to be baptised as soon as practicable after birth and before they are six months old. 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 **Maura Chhabra, Thomas Ivan Grostate, Pierre & Josette Kisorbo, Patricia Sherren, James Walsh, Zia Esaw, Ivan Fernandes, Ravi Aumeerun, Richard Skeeahan, Ceris Cook, Charles & Anna Lusack, Grant Cozens, Malcolm Varran, Catherine Yeats, Kitty McVey, Rita Platel, Edward Alvares, Christine Henderson, Johnny Symmonds, Patricia Anderson, Irene McGrenra, Anthony Carter, Louis Gouveia, Joseph McGahren, John Heffron and Jim Cosgrove.**



PLEASE COMPLETE A SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIP
(SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE IN SCHOOL YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6)

Our Parish Primary School is

St. John Fisher R. C. Primary and Nursery School, Grand Drive, West Wimbledon, SW20 9NA, Tel: 020 8540 2637

Email: school@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk Web: www.st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk

Boys & Girls Aged 3-11. Breakfast & After School Club. 30 hours Nursery provision.

