

Fisherman's Herald

Pentecost Sunday (A) - 28th May 2023

St John Fisher Church

207 Cannon Hill Lane, Merton, London, SW20 9DB.
Tel: 020 8542 6355 Email: merton@rcaos.org.uk
www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk

Part of the R. C. Archdiocese of Southwark Charity No: 1173050

Fr Matthias Kizito, Fr Francis Nonyelu, Deacon Tom Kavanagh

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 27th	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Eric Larche RIP Anniversary
Sunday 28th <i>Pentecost Sunday (A)</i> <i>The Season of Easter ends today</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Michael Glynn RIP
	11:00am	Thanksgiving
	6:30pm	Canon Acton RIP
Monday 29th <i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	9:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	10:00am	Mary, Judy & Lyn RIP Oliver Hughes RIP
Tuesday 30th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Mary McGrath RIP Anniversary Charles Chiejina
Wednesday 31st <i>The Visitation of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	George Achow RIP Eileen Panario RIP
Thursday 1st <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Fares Moussaid RIP Sheila & Alan Cross RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 2nd	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Kieran Patrick Doyle
	7:30pm	<i>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</i>
	8:00pm	Deceased Members of Langan Family
Saturday 3rd <i>St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs</i>	8:00am	<i>First Saturday Devotions</i>
	9:00am	Ilma Tong RIP
	9:30-10:30am	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
Saturday 3rd	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Pat Igoe RIP
Sunday 4th <i>The Most Holy Trinity (A)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Joyce Brothers RIP
	11:00am	Adrian & Shirley Donaghue
	6:30pm	Kenneth Gracias

New Parochial Administrator:

Following the recent news that Fr. Matthias will be leaving the Parish and return to Uganda at the end of the Summer this year (2023), the Archbishop has appointed Fr. Francis to replace him as the new Parochial Administrator, beginning from 1st September 2023. Warmest congratulations to Fr. Francis on this appointment, and best wishes to him in the exercise of this noble duty.

Pentecost Sunday:

Pentecost Sunday marks the end of the Easter Season, or Paschaltide. Ordinary Time after Easter begins after today's celebration with the Eighth Week, ferial readings of Cycle 1, Psalter Week 4(Lauds & Vespers).

Bank Holiday - Monday 29th May:

Mass at 10am on Monday 29th May.

Parish Business:

No Parish business on Monday 29th May.

Confirmation - Saturday 11th November 2023:

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). ***Please note the closing date for applications is this weekend.***

Empowering Vulnerable Children (EVC) Uganda - Appeal - Second Collection - This Weekend:

This Charity provides a future through education for some of the poorest children in the world. Judi Fawcett, Founder and a Trustee, will speak briefly at all the Masses this weekend. For further information about their work please look at their website at <http://www.evcuganda.org>

First Friday - 2nd June:

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

First Saturday Devotions - 3rd June :

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

Christian Care Food Collection - Next Weekend:

Next weekend we are collecting for Christian Care. They appreciate: Cereals - Cocoa Pops, Rice Krispies Tinned Sausages, Spaghetti Hoops, Tinned Green Beans Tinned Peas and Antibacterial hand wash.

Please bring donations to the hall before Mass.

Funerals:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

James O'Neill RIP:

Funeral Service on Wednesday 7th June at 11:30am.

Helen Daly RIP:

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

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.

Legion of Mary:

A team of ten people from the Legion of Mary will be visiting our Parish during the week of 10th - 17th June 2023. They will be moving in pairs, calling on all doors in our Parish regardless of faith or none. If they don't get an answer, they plan to leave a leaflet giving details about our parish and an invitation to a special Mass at St John Fisher on **Friday 16th June at 7pm**. We all know how worried people can be about scams and people knocking on doors. Please could you share the news of their visit with your neighbours so that our visitors will not be mistaken for scammers or fraudsters.

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.

Charity Life:

Members of the parish will be walking 10 Bridges of London on Sunday 25th June. We welcome more volunteers to take part in the walk. On the weekend of the 3rd/4th June, friends of LIFE will be inviting you to sponsor our walkers.

Michael Glynn RIP:

The family of the late Michael Glynn wish to express their sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who sympathised with them and showed incredible support and kindness during their recent sad loss. Thank you to those who telephoned, visited, sent Mass cards and messages of condolences. Please accept this as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions at 9:30am on Sunday 9th July. *(Kathleen & Family)*

Prayer Group - Sister Catherine RIP:

Sunday 11th June (New Time): after 11am Mass Join us for a short Prayer service to keep alive the memory of dear Sr Catherine RIP. For further information please call 020 8540 1249.

Over 60's Club:

Thursday 1st June from 1-3pm in the Church hall.

First Holy Communion Programme - June 2024:

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>

Closing date for applications is Sunday 11th June.

Wimbledon College - Job Vacancy:

Wimbledon College are looking to appoint a Caretaker. Further information is available on their website www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk, or please contact hr@wimbledoncollege.org.uk or 020 8879 9323.

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

Christian Care:

Can you spare a few hours once a month or even a year. Christian Care Merton are looking to recruit volunteer drivers. There are also opportunities to help with regular transport needs during the year if you are interested. Please email christiancaremerton@gmail.com or call 07944 692920 for further information.

A Day with Mary:

- Saturday 3rd June at St Bede's, Thornton Road, SW12.
- Saturday 17th June at St Joseph, Roehampton, SW15.

Please see poster on the Church noticeboard or visit www.adaywithmary.org for more information.

Catholic Association Lourdes Pilgrimage:

18th to 25th August 2023. For more information visit www.catholicassociation.co.uk

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 **Roberto Mendoza, Ravi Ameerun, Richard Skeehan, Ceris Cook, Diana Maginnis, Anna Lusack, Malcolm Varran, Catherine Yeats, James Johnson, Luca Buttaci, Kitty McVey, Rita Platel, Edward Alvares, Christine Henderson, Johnny Symmonds, Kathy Metcalf, Patricia Anderson, Irene McGrenra, Anthony Carter, Charles Ducker, Richard Sullivan, Joseph McGahren, John Heffron, Jim Cosgrove, Abbey Counsell and Natalie Williams.**



NO SCHOOL SLIPS THIS WEEKEND DUE TO THE HALF TERM HOLIDAY