

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**The Thirty-First Sunday of The Year (C) - 30th October 2022**  
**St John Fisher Church**



207 Cannon Hill Lane, Merton, London, SW20 9DB.  
 Tel: **020 8542 6355** Email: [merton@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:merton@rcaos.org.uk)  
[www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk](http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk)



Part of the R. C. Archdiocese of Southwark Charity No: 1173050  
 Fr Matthias Kizito, Fr Francis Nonyelu, Deacon Fred Carter, Deacon Tom Kavanagh  
 Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday 9am to 2pm**

**MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Saturday 29th</b>	6:00pm	Deceased Members of Farrell Family
<b>Sunday 30th</b>  <i>Thirty-First Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Helen O'Keeffe RIP (Anniversary)
	11:00am	Gerry Ryan RIP (Anniversary)
	6:30pm	Maurice Collingwood Nelson RIP (8th Anniversary)
<b>Monday 31st</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Annie McKay RIP
	6:00pm	Catherine Yeats
<b>Tuesday 1st</b> <i>All Saints, Holyday of Obligation</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Cynthia Carss
	7:30pm	Thanksgiving
<b>Wednesday 2nd</b> <i>The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed.</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Marlene Saldanha RIP (1st Anniversary)
	7:30pm	<i>Mass &amp; Service of Light</i> Bishop Howard Tripp RIP
<b>Thursday 3rd</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Deceased Members of Aguiar & Fernandes Families
		Mary Jurkiewicz RIP
	9:30am-10am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
<b>Friday 4th</b> <i>St Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i> <i>First Friday</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Deceased members of Mc Nicholl Family
	7:30pm	<i>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</i>
	8:00pm	Mary & Pat Carroll - Int.
<b>Saturday 5th</b> <i>First Saturday</i>	8:00am	<i>First Saturday Devotions</i>
	9:00am	Deceased Members of Taylor Family
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
<b>Saturday 5th</b>	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Day Chapel)</i>
	6:00pm	Philomena Ryan RIP
<b>Sunday 6th</b>  <i>Thirty-Second Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Sid Miles
	11:00am	Daniel & Annie McKay RIP
	6:30pm	Peter Raw RIP

**Parish Business:**

Monday 31st October from 7pm to 8pm.

**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.

**Holy Souls - November - Month of Remembrance::**

Cards are available at the back of the Church for parishioners, to put the names of your deceased relatives and friends on. These cards will be placed near the Altar during the month of November.

**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.

**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 have arranged a coach from St. John Fisher Church to St. George's Cathedral on Thursday 3rd November leaving at 10:30am and returning at approximately 4pm. Cost is £15 per person. Please see the notice at the back of Church for more information.

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

- Sponsored Walk - Saturday 5th November
- Rite of Election - Sunday 6th November at the 9:30am Mass
- Sacrament of Reconciliation - Tues 8th Nov, 7:30pm
- Visit to St George's Cathedral - Sat 12th Nov
- Tuesday 15th November at 7:30pm - 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>

### **Food Collection - Next Weekend:**

Next weekend we are collecting for the Wimbledon Foodbank. They urgently need: Tinned/ Long Life Fruit, Tinned Vegetables, Squash/Long Life Juice, Rice Pudding/Custard, Noodles.

*Please bring donations to the hall after Mass.*

### **Altar Servers:**

Practices for new Altar Servers young and old will commence on Thursday 10th November at 6.30 pm in the church. Application forms are available on the table in the Narthex. Please post into the Parish office.

### **Over 60's Club:**

Thursday 3rd November from 1pm to 3pm in the Church hall, all welcome.

### **St John Fisher Youth Club:**

Friday 4th November from 7:30pm to 9pm in the hall for school year 6 and above.

### **First Friday:**

Friday 4th November. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm followed by Mass at 8pm.

### **First Saturday Devotions:**

Rosary and keeping Our Lady company within Adoration and Benediction on Saturday 5th November from at 8am to 8:45am.

### **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.

### **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](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)



### **Cakes & Christmas Craft Sale - Next Weekend:**

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.

### **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.

### **Peter Raw RIP:**

Mass on Sun 6th Nov at 6:30pm. Many families will remember Peter as headteacher of St Catherine's school.

### **Funeral:**

Please remember the family in your prayers.

### **Fran Fenwick RIP:**

Requiem Mass on Friday 4th November at 11am.

### **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.

### **World Youth Day, Lisbon(31st July - 7th August 2023)**

The Archdiocese of Southwark is taking a group of young people (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in Lisbon from 31 July to 7 August 2023. Bookings are now open; the price is £1,295, which includes flights, 3\* accommodation (shared room), transfers, WYD registration fee & meal vouchers. If you are between 18-35, you are welcome to book via <https://bit.ly/WYDSouthwark> . For further information, please email [youth@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:youth@rcaos.org.uk)

### **Stella Maris - Thank you - Sea Sunday Appeal:**

We have received a letter from Stella Maris for the £441.13 raised by our parish retiring collection. Please see the notice-board at the back of church for a copy of the letter.

**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)

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish : **Victor Pierson, Catherine Yeats, Canon Acton, Giovanni Fugaccia, Deacon Fred Carter, James Johnson, Tony Brook, Maura Chhabra, 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**