

Fisherman's Herald
The Eighteenth Sunday of The Year (C) - 31st 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: **Closed until Monday 5th September**



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 30th	6:00pm	Sherlie Saunders & Family
Sunday 31st	8:00am	People of The Parish
Eighteenth Sunday (C)	9:30am	Antony Carter
	11:00am	Idalina Santos RIP
	6:30pm	Teresa Pollard (Intentions)
Monday 1st <i>St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	David Hodge RIP Bridget Croke RIP
Tuesday 2nd	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Joey & Jessica (Intentions) Rosie O'Sullivan RIP
Wednesday 3rd	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Custodio, Maria, Conceicao & Ruby Lobo Holy Souls
Thursday 4th <i>St John Vianney, Priest</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Deceased Members of Ryan Family Holy Souls
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 5th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Pamela Desmier RIP
	7:30pm	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
	8:00pm	Holy Souls
Saturday 6th <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	8:00am	<i>First Saturday Devotions</i>
	9:00am	George Cyril Watson RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Hall)</i>
Saturday 6th	6:00pm	Lionel Paul RIP Anniversary
Sunday 7th Nineteenth Sunday (C)	8:00am	Marcella D'Souza RIP
	9:30am	People of The Parish
	11:00am	Jennifer Grewer RIP (1st Anniversary)
	6:30pm	Cynthia Crowe RIP

Food Collection - Next Weekend:

Next weekend we will be collecting for the  Wimbledon Foodbank.

They particularly need: Long life milk, Tinned peas, carrots & tomatoes, Ketchup, Tea, Sugar, tinned Custard, Shower gel & Shampoo.

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 'RCAS MERTON'). 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 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 5/6 weeks. Please email merton@rcaos.org.uk if you are able to help.

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.

Funeral:

Please remember the family in your prayers.

John Grace RIP:

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 16th August at 9am.

Church Attendance Slips - Term Time Only:

Church attendance slips will return on Sunday 11th September.

First Friday:

Friday 5th August. 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 6th August from 8am to 8:45am.

Apprenticeship at the Archdiocese of Southwark:

The Archdiocese of Southwark are seeking an apprentice to work within the Fundraising & Gift Aid team in their central offices (located Lambeth North). If you, or someone you know, would like to earn a level 3 Business Administrator Standard whilst working within a hardworking and passionate team, supporting the work of the Catholic Church in South London and Kent, please find out more by visiting: <https://www.rcaos.org.uk/fundraising/apprenticeship>

HELP Needed for St. John fisher school Eco Garden:

For a long time now SJF school have been trying to get off the ground a project to build an Eco garden on the grounds as place for the children and staff to enjoy and learn about gardening and helping to keep our planet healthy.

A small team from the PTFA are looking to kick start this but need some professional gardening help in particular to help with design and some of the more specialist areas. If you know any one who may be able to help particularly if they can do this at a reduced rate or even better pro Bono. Please get in touch with Victoria Brown 07843252717 or victoria_willmott@hotmail.com

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/>

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 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

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.

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

St John Fisher Website - Volunteer Required:

We are looking for a volunteer to redesign our parish website. Do you have the time and skills to update our parish website and make it mobile/tablet friendly? Please contact merton@rcaos.org.uk for more information.

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 Oct:

Led by Fr Nelson Cabanero, Society of Montfort Missionaries. Please contact the parish office for a booking form or contact St Peter's Pilgrimages on 0203 773 5115 or visit www.stpeterspilgrimages.com Cost from £650 per person. For details of the itinerary, please see poster on Church noticeboard.

Church Hall Hire:

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

Summer Break:

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

- ⇒ **Mother's Prayers** - Returns on Fri 9th Sept.
- ⇒ **Parent & Toddlers** - Returns on Thurs 8th Sept.
- ⇒ **Senior Citizens** - Returns on Thurs 6th Oct.
- ⇒ **Children's Liturgy** - Returns on Sun 11th Sept.

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

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