



Fisherman's Herald
Fourth Sunday of Easter (C) - 11th May 2025
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Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Saturday 10th | 5:00-5:50pm | Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) |
| | 6:00pm | George & Leonilda Hills RIP Anniversary |
| Sunday 11th | 8:00am | People of The Parish |
| | 9:30am | Maria Addeh |
| Fourth Sunday of Easter (C) | 11:00am | Teofilo RIP Anniversary |
| <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i> | 6:30pm | Dr Lawrence John Lobo & Sophia Lobo & Children |
| Monday 12th | 8:30am | <i>Rosary</i> |
| | 9:00am | Marie Lourdes Chedembrun Lino Laffranchi RIP & Massimo Castalo RIP |
| Tuesday 13th | 8:30am | <i>Rosary</i> |
| | 9:00am | Neil (Intentions) Bridget O'Donnell RIP |
| | 12:30pm | <i>Requiem:</i> <i>Michele Mongiovi RIP</i> |
| Wednesday 14th | 8:30am | <i>Rosary</i> |
| <i>St Matthias, Apostle</i> | 9:00am | Richard & Stasia Coyle (Wellbeing) Mary Hoey RIP |
| Thursday 15th | 8:30am | <i>Rosary</i> |
| <i>St John Stone, Priest & Martyr</i> | 9:00am | Michelle (Health & Wellbeing) Patrick Coyne Intentions |
| <i>Bidding Prayers</i> | 9:30-10:30am | <i>Weekly Adoration</i> |
| Friday 16th | 8:30am | <i>Rosary</i> |
| <i>St Simon Stock, Priest</i> | 9:00am | Kathleen Coyne & Family Adrian & Shirley Donaghue |
| | 6:30pm | <i>Confessions (Confessional)</i> |
| <i>Jubilee Mass</i> | 7:00pm | People of Sudan & South Sudan |
| Saturday 17th | 9:00am | Deacon Fred Carter RIP |
| | 9:30-10:30am | <i>Confessions (Confessional)</i> |
| Saturday 17th | 5:00-5:50pm | Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) |
| | 6:00pm | Eric Larche RIP |
| Sunday 18th | 8:00am | Rose Sothinathan |
| | 9:30am | Karma & Ethan (Thank You) |
| Fifth Sunday of Easter (C) | 11:00am | People of The Parish |
| | Noon | Sr Catherine Prayer Service |
| | 6:30pm | Inacio & Ana Fernandes & Children |

Prayer for Vocations:

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, the Eternal High Priest. Amen

Priest Training Fund - Second Collection Today:

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 9 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest. We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today. Thank you!

- Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.



Funeral:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

Michele Mongiovi RIP:

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 13th May at 12:30pm.

Sean Deane RIP:

Requiem Mass on Wednesday 21st May at 11am.

Wimbledon Foodbank - Thank You:

We have received an email from the Wimbledon Foodbank: "Thanks to you and the whole community at St. John Fisher for the generous donation of £508.89 to the Wimbledon Foodbank. This will help provide hundreds of meals for people in need across the Borough.. We are so grateful for the wonderful effort of your parishioners who held the weekly lunch during lent."

Parish Business:

Monday 12th May from 7pm to 8pm.

Jubilee Mass:

The parish will be celebrating Jubilee Mass every Friday at 7:00pm. Confessions starts at 6:30pm.

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

Jubilee Celebration at Aylesford Priory:

Archbishop John is inviting all of us to the Southwark Archdiocesan Jubilee Celebration at The Friars, Aylesford on Saturday 7 June 2025. It promises to be a great day. As a parish we are organising a coach to join the celebration. If you would like to book a seat on the coach, please enter your contact details on the registration form in the narthex. Cost is £20 per person.

St Joseph Support Group:

The parish is organising an opportunity for those who are bereaved. This group is offering support to help prevent isolation and to support each other on the ongoing grief journey. Please call this number 07712443964 if you would like to attend. The next gathering will be on Weds 14th May from 1:30pm-3pm in the parish hall.

Confirmation - Saturday 22nd November 2025:

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).

First Holy Communion Programme - June 2026:

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>

St John fisher Primary School:

We have spaces available for children born between the 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 in our Nursery and for children born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021 in our Reception class, both for an immediate start. <https://youtu.be/1YIZnkrT0Xg>

We also have spaces available for September start in the Nursery and Reception Classes. Please contact Mrs Aldred for more information and to book a visit – 0208 540 2637

Reading At Mass:

Are you able to help with reading at the Saturday evening Mass once every 4-5 weeks? So roughly 10 times a year? Full support and training is available. Please contact a member of the Clergy.

Church Parade:

At the 9:30am Mass next Sunday for the uniform groups.

Sister Catherine RIP - Prayer Service:

Sunday 18th May after the 11am Mass.

Church Cleaning - May:

Cleaning of the Church on Wednesday 14th and 28th May at 9:30am. New volunteers welcome.

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 12. Close family members can attend with you. In order to receive a personal invitation from Archbishop John, email to mflsw@rcaos.org.uk the following details: your full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish.

A Day With Mary:

Please see posters on Church noticeboard for details of upcoming events or visit www adaywithmary.org for a full programme.

Merton Interfaith Walk:

Saturday 31st May 2025 10am. A 5 mile challenge walk to visit local faith sites including our church. Please see Church noticeboard for more information or visit our parish Facebook page for the itinerary. All proceeds go to The Merton Homeless Project – Faith in Action.

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

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish **Bernie Simmons, Mike Cairns, Seeta Seenayah, Margaret Pumford, Ronald Grostate, Douglas Desmier, Anastasia Coyle, Kenneth Crowe, Christina Duffy, Thomas Ivan Grostate, James Walsh, Richard Skeehan, John Myles, Charles Lusack, Grant Cozens, Malcolm Varran, Catherine Yeats, Rita Platel, Edward Alvares, Christine Henderson, Johnny Simmonds, Patricia Anderson, Irene McGrenra, Anthony Carter, Louis Gouveia, Joseph McGahren, John Heffron and Jim Cosgrove.**



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

