



Fisherman's Herald
Twentieth Sunday (C) - 17th August 2025
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Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 16th	5:00-5:50pm 6:00pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) Ana Severina Fernandes RIP
Sunday 17th <i>Twentieth Sunday (C)</i>	8::00am 9:30am 11:00am 6:30pm	Sean Deane RIP Marie Cosgrove RIP Dominic Prior RIP People of The Parish
Monday 18th	8:30am 9:00am	<i>Rosary</i> Teresa Absalom RIP (1st Anniversary) Collette Tilling (Wellbeing)
Tuesday 19th	8:30am 9:00am	<i>Rosary</i> Marie Cosgrove RIP Daniel Mullan RIP
Wednesday 20th <i>St Bernard Abbot & Doctor of The Church</i>	8:30am 9:00am	<i>Rosary</i> Sonia Worrall (Wellbeing) Sean Bradley RIP
Thursday 21st <i>Bidding Prayers</i> <i>Saint Pius X</i>	8:30am 9:00am 9:30-10:00am	<i>Rosary</i> Canon John O'Toole RIP Harry & Olive Hathaway (Thanksgiving) <i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 22nd <i>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>Jubilee Mass</i>	8:30am 9:00am 6:30pm 7:30pm	<i>Rosary</i> Malachy Finnegan RIP Joseph Thomas Desmier RIP <i>Confessions (Confessional)</i> For all those with damaging addictions
Saturday 22nd	9:00am 9:30-10:30am	Gerald Fox & Family Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
Saturday 23rd	5:00-5:50pm 6:00pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) Patrick Whelan RIP
Sunday 24th <i>Twenty-First Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 6:30pm	People of The Parish Helen Daly RIP Kathleen Culleton RIP Custodio, Maria, Conceicao & Ruby Lobo

Mission Appeal - The Missionary Society of St Paul (MSP) - This Weekend:

Fr. Fidelis Datau MSP, of the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP), is making a mission appeal this weekend. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP warmly invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a second collection at all Masses.

Parish Business:

Parish business on Monday 18th August, 7pm to 8pm.

Jubilee Mass - Friday 22nd August:

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

Funerals:

Please remember the family in your prayers.

Josephine Mullane RIP

Requiem Mass on Weds 20th August at 11:00am.

Church Cleaning - August:

Cleaning of the Church on Wednesday 20th August at 9:30am. New volunteers welcome.

RCIA Program - September 2025:

If you wish to register for the RCIA Program which begins in September, please visit the Parish website:

http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/sacramental_life.php

The program is meant for adults who wish to be baptised or receive any of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, i.e., Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

St Joseph Support Group:

The parish organises an opportunity for those who are bereaved. Please call this number 07712443964 if you would like to attend. The next gathering will be on Weds 20th August from 1:30pm-3pm in the parish hall.

Reading At Mass:

Readers required at the Saturday evening Mass. Your commitment is to read at Mass once every 4-5 weeks on a rota basis. Guidance and training is available. Please speak to a member of the Clergy or call 07944 692920 for full information.

Merton Deanery Jubilee Pilgrimage - Save the Date:

Saturday 13th September at Sacred Heart Church, Wimbledon from 12 noon. Please see poster on noticeboard for more information.

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

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

Marys Meals - Leftover Foreign Currency :

Please help us to support Mary's Meals by donating your leftover foreign currency to them so that they can provide nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. Envelopes are available at the back of church for your donations. Please return your envelopes to the presbytery.

Tony Brook RIP - Thank You:

The Brook family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, sympathy and support following the death of Tony Brook. It was wonderful to experience so much kindness and to see so many friends at the Funeral Mass.

Divine Mercy Apostolate - London:

are holding a Celebration of St Faustina Birthday at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Bank Holiday Monday 26 August 2024 from 10 am to 4:30 pm. The reflection day will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call millie on 07957594646 for more information.

The Catechetical Institute:

Every parishioner has free and unlimited access to the workshops created by the world-renowned Catechetical Institute. From Scripture to parenting workshops, to catechetical training and mentoring, there is something for everyone. For information on how to register your free account visit: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/franciscan>

Summer Break:

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

- ⇒ **Parent & Toddlers** - returns on Thursday 4th Sept.
- ⇒ **Senior Citizens** - returns on Thursday 2nd October.
- ⇒ **Children's Liturgy** - returns on Sun 21st Sept.

Repository - Parish Shop:

Reopens on Sunday 6th September.

Please note that Mothers Prayers and Morning Rosary will continue as normal during the Summer.

A Day with Mary:

Please see poster on Church noticeboard or visit: www adaywithmary.org

Ursuline High School - Open Events:

Year 7 entry - Sept 2026. Weds 24th Sept 2025 from 6pm to 8:30pm. Year 12 (Sixth Form) 2026 entry. Weds 8th Oct 2025 from 4:30pm to 7pm. Please sign up at:

www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/admissions/open-events/

Grief in Loss Weekend – 10th - 12th October 2025

Guided by Liz Taylor, Barbara Salamonczyk and Father Ged Walsh O Carm, this weekend is for anyone who has experienced bereavement, whether recently or some time ago. We grieve, remember, hope and give thanks for our loved ones in the light of the Resurrection of Jesus. For more information please contact reception@thefriars.org.uk

Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo:

28th November to 2nd December 2025, £790. Pilgrimage Chaplain is Fr Philip Pak. For more information, please visit: <https://stpeterspilgrimages.com> or call: 0203 773 5115

Saint Jude - Footprints of Hope:

There is an opportunity to buy a brick engraved with your name at the shrine of St Jude in Faversham. Make your mark and remember your friends and loved ones in this special place of hope and peace. You can add a name for just £30 per brick. Donate online at: www.stjudeshrine.org.uk/footprints or call 01795 539 214

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

NO SCHOOL SLIPS THIS WEEKEND DUE TO THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish **Louise Hosking, Brian Carter, Catharine Wilmott, Natalia Mata, Stewart Davis, Bernie Simmons, Seeta Seenayah, Margaret Pumford, Ronald Grostate, Douglas Desmier, Anastasia Coyle, 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.**



Our Parish Primary School is

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

