

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - 20th April 2025**  
**St John Fisher Church**



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 Fr Francis Nonyelu, Fr Joseph Edem, Deacon Tom Kavanagh  
 Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**



**MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Saturday 19th</b> <i>The Easter Vigil in the Holy night</i> <b>Sunday 20th</b> <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of The Lord</i>	<b>No 6:00pm</b>	<b>Mass</b> <i>Easter Vigil</i> Michael Tully (Intentions)
	8:00pm	
	8:00am	Angela D'Silva RIP
	9:30am	Brierly, Morison & Marsh Families
	11:00am	Rita Aguiar RIP
	6:30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Monday 21st</b>	9:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	<b>10:00am</b>	Judex & Claude Sew Foo Lun Benny Fernandes RIP
<b>Tuesday 22nd</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Cadance D'Aguiar (Thanksgiving) Sheila Cross RIP
<b>Wednesday 23rd</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	John Joe O'Mara RIP Alan Cross RIP
<b>Thursday 24th</b>  <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Maximillano Crispin RIP (1st Anniversary) Dan O'Brien RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
<b>Friday 25th</b>  <i>Jubilee Mass</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Michael McGrath RIP Brian Hardy RIP
	7:00pm	The Starving throughout the world
<b>Saturday 26th</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Benny Fernandes RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
<b>Saturday 26th</b>	5:00-5:50pm	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
	6:00pm	Ivan Pedropillai RIP
<b>Sunday 27th</b>  <i>Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)</i>	8:00am	Francesco Paganuzzi RIP
	9:30am	People of The Parish
	11:00am	Giovanni Fugaccia (2nd Anniversary)
	3:00pm	<i>Divine Mercy Service</i>
	6:30pm	Antonio & Anna Maria Fernandes



*The clergy of the Parish would like to wish all Parishioners a happy and blessed Easter. Sincere thanks to all who were involved in the Holy Week ceremonies which are so central to our faith. Special thanks to the choirs, the mass servers, readers, extra-ordinary ministers of Holy Communion, the ushers, and all who contributed to making the liturgy of Holy week so colourful and prayerful. Thanks also to all who prepared the Church for Holy Week and Easter, those who helped with the Altar of Repose, the Easter Garden, the flowers and decorations.- Fr Francis*

**Easter Vigil:** (First Mass of Easter) at 8pm including Blessing of the New Fire and the Easter Candle; The Vigil of Readings; The Liturgy of Baptism and Renewal of Baptismal Promises, wherein Zanitha Majasi Watt, Sirius Majasi Watt & Theodore Williams will be baptised.

**Bank Holiday - Monday 21st April:**

- Mass on Monday will be at 10am
- No Parish Business this week.
- The Parish office will be closed.

**Divine Mercy Sunday - 27th April:**

Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter, "Low Sunday", the eighth, the last and greatest day of the Easter Solemnity and Feast this year; The Lord is really trying to help us to learn to put our trust in Him: "JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU."

A devotion with many elements to help us, and our loved ones, rediscover His Divine Mercy. There will be a service at 3pm.

**Easter Offerings:**

Your personal gift to the Priests of the Parish, envelopes are at the back of the Church. You may know that the Clergy do not receive a salary as such and rely upon the Christmas and Easter Offerings to supplement any income received through Mass Stipends and Stole Fees for Baptisms, Funerals, and rare Weddings.

**Over 60's Group:**

Returns after the Easter break on Thursday 1st May from 1pm to 3pm.

## **Maintenance of St George's Cathedral -**

### **Second Collection Next Weekend:**

There is a second collection for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral, Southwark, the mother Church of the diocese. This collection helps meet with the cost of the upkeep of the Cathedral.

### **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 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](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-john-fisher-merton)

### **Jubilee Mass - Friday 25th April:**

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

### **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 first gathering will be on Weds 30th April from 1:30pm-3pm in the parish hall.

### **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.

### **Confirmation - Saturday 22nd November 2025:**

Please download a registration form from [www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk/confirmation.php](http://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>

### **Funeral:**

Please remember the family in your prayers.

#### **Michele Mongiovi RIP:**

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

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish Seeta Seenayah, Margaret Pumford, Ronald Grostate, Douglas Desmier, Anastasia Coyle, Kenneth Crowe, Ceris Cook, Christina Duffy, Sean Deane, Thomas Ivan Grostate, James Walsh, Richard Skeehan, John Myles & Stewart Christopher 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.



### **Funeral Arrangements for Canon John O'Toole RIP:**

The funeral Mass will be at St George's Cathedral on Friday 2nd May 2025 at 12:30pm. May he rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

## **Church Cleaning - May:**

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

### **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 Nicola Moriarty and she can be contacted at [mertonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:mertonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk). If you have any concerns please contact her immediately.

### **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](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk) the following details: your full names, address, phone number, anniversary being celebrated and parish.

### **Divine Mercy Sunday 2025:**

St Anthonys RC Church, Farnham Road, Slough SL2 3AE on 27 April 2025 at 2:30 pm. The service will be led by Mgr Sean Healy and will include Procession, Holy Mass, Talk on 'Living God's Mercy', Chaplet, Adoration and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome to celebrate with us "25 Years of Ministry". Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information.

**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](mailto:catholicchaplains@stgeorges.nhs.uk)

NO SCHOOL SLIPS THIS WEEKEND  
DUE TO THE EASTER HOLIDAYS