



Fisherman's Herald
Twenty-First Sunday (C) - 24th August 2025
St John Fisher Church
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Part of the R. C. Archdiocese of Southwark Charity No: 1173050
 Fr Francis Nonyelu, Fr Joseph Edem, Deacon Tom Kavanagh
 Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 23rd	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Patrick Whelan RIP
Sunday 24th Twenty-First Sunday (C)	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Helen Daly RIP
	11:00am	Kathleen Culleton RIP
	6:30pm	Custodio, Maria, Conceicao & Ruby Lobo
Monday 25th	9:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	10:00am	Aisling O'Neill RIP Tony Brook RIP
Tuesday 26th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Daniel & Annie McKay RIP Sesha Pereira RIP (8th Anniversary)
Wednesday 27th <i>St Monica, Memorial</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Marie Sothinathan (Thanksgiving) Rose Mary Peace RIP
Thursday 28th <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Marie Cosgrove RIP Pamela Wan (Wellbeing)
<i>St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	9:30-10:00am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 29th <i>The Passion of St John the Baptist, Memorial</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Michael Dooley RIP (2nd Anniversary) John Davis RIP (2nd Anniversary)
<i>Jubilee Mass</i>	6:30pm	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
	7:00pm	For Christians in China and North Korea
Saturday 30th <i>Sts Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward</i>	9:00am	Marie Cosgrove RIP
	9:30-10:30am	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
Saturday 30th	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Michael Dooley RIP (2nd Anniversary)
Sunday 31st Twenty-Second Sunday (C)	8:00am	People of The Parish
	9:30am	Frances Galvin RIP (1st Anniversary)
	11:00am	Canon Acton RIP
	6:30pm	Marko Paoli

Bank Holiday Monday 25th August:

- Mass will be at 10am.
- No Parish business this week
- Parish office will be closed

Jubilee Mass - Friday 29th August:

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

Church Cleaning - September:

Cleaning of the Church on Wednesday 3rd and Wednesday 17th September 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 24th September 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.

Missionary Society of St Paul Appeal:

Thank you to all those parishioners who supported the appeal last weekend by Fr Fidelis Datau MSP. We raised **£2654.55** for their appeal.

42nd Street Band Saturday 4th October 2025:

7pm-11pm in the Parish Hall. You are all invited to this very popular evening of music and dance- back by popular demand. Tickets available from the Parish office – please get them early before they sell out.

***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.

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>

Archdiocese of Southwark - Annual service for Healing and Hope for those that have ben harmed by abuse:

This important annual service will be led by Archbishop John Wilson on 24th September at 6:30pm, St George's Cathedral, SE1 7HY.

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.

