



Fisherman's Herald

The Thirtieth Sunday of The Year - 26th October 2025

St John Fisher Church

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Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 25th	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Maurice Collingwood Nelson RIP (11th Anniversary)
Sunday 26th <i>Thirtieth Sunday (C)</i>	8:00am	Holy Souls
	9:30am	People of The Parish
	11:00am	Wilfredo R Prado RIP Anniv
	6:30pm	Dr Antonio Noronha & Leocadia Fernandes
Monday 27th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Bridie
Tuesday 28th <i>Sts Simon and Jude Apostles</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Monica Chiejina RIP
Wednesday 29th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Michelle Ekman RIP
Thursday 30th <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Nigel De Souza (Intentions)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 31st <i>Jubilee Mass</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Annie McKay RIP
	6:30pm	Phillip Burling RIP
	7:00pm	<i>Confessions</i>
Saturday 1st	9:00am	For war torn countries in Africa
	9:30-10:30am	Ivan Fernandes RIP
Saturday 1st	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Ilma & Clyde Tong & George Achow RIP
Sunday 2nd <i>All Saints (C)</i>	8:00am	St Anthony (Thanksgiving)
	9:30am	Gerry Ryan RIP (6th Anniversary)
	11:00am	People of The Parish
	6:30pm	All Souls

St John Fisher Merton: Parish Vision on Formation and Catechesis:

Our desire is to equip parishioners to be enthusiastic and committed members of the parish, to want to become actively involved in the various aspects of parish life, to be knowledgeable in their faith and to be willing to share that faith with others.

Parish Business:

Monday 27th October from 7pm to 8pm.

Saint Carlo Acutis:

A Free Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles of Saint Carlo Acutis this weekend from 8am-7.30pm and next weekend. Prayer Cards and Book on St Carlo's Life will be available. Donation welcome. A Closing Mass will be on Sunday 2nd Nov at 6.30pm followed by light refreshments in the hall.

Jubilee Mass - Friday 31st October:

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

Service of Light - Monday 3rd November at 7:30pm

There will be a special service of light for all those who have died in this parish since All Souls Day 2024. The names of the deceased will be read out and a candle lit for each by a family member.

Parish Volunteers Get Together - Sat 1st Nov:

Father Francis would like to invite all volunteers of the parish, to a get together in the hall after the 6pm Mass on Saturday 1st November, to enjoy some food and wine. This is a way of saying: 'Thank you' to all volunteers. Please add your name to the list at the back of Church if you are able to attend.

Blessing of Graves - Sunday 9th Nov at 2:30pm:

There will be a short service outside the chapel at the Merton and Sutton Joint Cemetery in Garth Road. Following it, clergy will be available to bless individual graves of any relatives or friends of parishioners who are buried there or in the Morden Cemetery/Crematorium. Those who visit a cemetery between 1st and 8th November and pray for the faithful departed may obtain a plenary indulgence applicable to the holy souls.

Funeral:

Please remember the family in your prayers.

Maria Hayes RIP:

Requiem Mass on Monday 10th November at 12:30pm.

Hall Donations:

Envelopes are available at the back of Church for donations towards the renovation of the parish hall. You can also donate using the contactless machine.

Merton Deanery Day of Recollection:

The day of recollection is open to all our parish Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and takes place on Saturday 22nd November at St Teresa's, Morden, SM4 6BZ. Canon David Gibbons (Parish Priest of Wimbledon and former Director of the diocesan Centre for Catholic Formation) will talk on 'The Mass'. The day begins with Mass at 11am and concludes at 3pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Car parking is available at the Church.

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

Altar Servers:

If you would like to serve on the Sanctuary, Young or Old you must have made your First Holy Communion. Adults will need to be DBS Checked. Practices continue on Thursday October 30th at 6.45pm. Forms are available in the Narthex or Sacristy. Please post the Forms into the Parish Office.

Church Cleaning - October:

Wednesday 29th October at 9:30am.

New volunteers welcome.

Save the Date - Senior Citizens Christmas Party:

This year the annual Christmas party for our senior citizens takes place on Saturday 13th December. The day begins with Mass at 11:30am followed by lunch in the parish hall.

Justice & Peace Group - Food Collection:

Next weekend our parish Justice and Peace group will be collecting for **Faith in Action**. They appreciate:

Packet soups especially chicken soup, Pot Noodles or similar, Multi-packs of crisps, Packets of biscuits, Large bottles of undiluted squash, Ring-pull cans of mackerel, tuna or sardines, Protein bars, Jars of jam, marmalade and honey.

World Mission Sunday - Second Collection:

Thank you to all those who contributed to the recent second collection for Missio, we raised £925.94

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day:

Thank you to all those who contributed to the recent CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. We raised £560.49

Secondary School Supplementary Forms:

If you are applying for a Catholic high school for your child, please note that the school now require a certificate of Catholic practice to be completed instead of a supplementary form. Fr Francis is available to sign these certificates next week only on Friday from 6pm to 7pm. No appointment needed. Please bring the completed certificate of Catholic practice with you.

Repository / Gift Shop:

New Stock of Confirmation Cards and Christmas Cards & 2026 Calendars have arrived. Visit the Repository Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings.

The St John Fisher School PTFA:

are in the Tesco Stronger Start Vote with a chance to win up to £1,500. Please support the school with their playground renovations by voting with the blue tokens by the exit in Tesco's.

A Day with Mary:

Saturday 8th November - Westminster Cathedral. Please visit www adaywithmary.org for more information and dates for other venues.

Fund Raising Party

Saturday 6th December 2025 7pm to 11pm Tickets £15 per person to include Indian Meal. Cash Licensed Bar Available. All proceeds to fund the launch of Dementia Disco SW London Inviting local citizens who suffer from Dementia, their families & Carers to a monthly event. with FREE food, drinks and music. Starting in January 2026. Please call 07944 692920 to reserve tickets. No tickets at the door. Last date for ticket sale 30th November. Full details on Notice Board and Facebook.

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 SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIPS THIS WEEK DUE TO THE HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish **Candida D'Silva, Louise Hosking, Catharine Wilmott, Stewart Davis, Bernie Simmons, Seeta Seenayah, Margaret Pumford, Douglas Desmier, Anastasia Coyle, Christina Duffy, Thomas Ivan Grostate, Richard Skeehan, John Myles, Charles Lusack, Grant Cozens, Malcolm Varran, Catherine Yeats, Rita Platel, Edward Alvares, Christine Henderson, Johnny Simmons, 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.

