

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - 27th April 2025**  
**St John Fisher Church**



**207 Cannon Hill Lane, Merton, London, SW20 9DB.**  
**Tel: 020 8542 6355 Email: [merton@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:merton@rcaos.org.uk)**  
**[www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk](http://www.stjohnfishermerton.co.uk)**

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**

<b>Saturday 26th</b>	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions ( <i>Confessional</i> )
	6:00pm	Ivan Pedropillai RIP
	<b>Sunday 27th</b>	
	8:00am	Francesco Paganuzzi RIP
	9:30am	People of The Parish
<b>Second Sunday of Easter</b> <b>(Divine Mercy Sunday)</b>	11:00am	Giovanni Fugaccia (2nd Anniversary)
	3:00pm	Mass for Pope Francis
	6:30pm	Antonio & Anna Maria Fernandes
<b>Monday 28th</b> <i>St George, Martyr, Patron of England</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Catharine Williams RIP Deceased Members of Devers Family
<b>Tuesday 29th</b> <i>St Catherine of Sienna</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Remembrance of Coyle & Doyle Families Maureen Harper RIP
<b>Wednesday 30th</b>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Sean Corcoran (Wellbeing) Patrick, Tommy & Paddy Heffron RIP
<b>Thursday 1st</b>  <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Fares Moussaid RIP Nellie & Evelyn Heffron RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
<b>Friday 2nd</b> <i>First Friday</i>  <i>St Athanasius</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Canon Acton & Sister Catherine RIP
	7:30pm	<i>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</i>
	8:00pm	Sr Marion & Sr Gretta
<b>Saturday 3rd</b> <i>First Saturday</i> <i>Sts Philip &amp; James, Apostles</i>	8:00-8:45am	<i>First Saturday Devotions</i>
	9:00am	Maria Victoria Syjud Crispin (7th Birthday)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Confessional)</i>
<b>Saturday 3rd</b>  <b>Sunday 4th</b>  <b>Third Sunday of Easter (C)</b>	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions ( <i>Confessional</i> )
	6:00pm	Eugene McCarthy RIP
	8:00am	Domnic Fernandes RIP
	9:30am	Dominic Prior RIP
	11:00am	People of The Parish
	6:30pm	Ann Quinn (Intentions)

**Pope Francis - Rest In Peace:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. We join the universal Church in nine consecutive days of mourning- April 26th to May 4th (Novemdiales). Eternal rest grant onto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace. Amen.

**Easter Offerings - Thank You:**

Fr. Francis and Fr. Joseph would like to thank all Parish-ioners for their generous Easter offerings and other gifts. May the Lord reward you for all your generosity.

**Divine Mercy Sunday:**

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. A devotion to help us and our loved ones rediscover the Mercy of God. There will be a devotional service and a Holy Mass at 3pm.

“JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU.”

**Maintenance of St George's Cathedral - Second Collection Today:**

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.

**First Friday - 2nd May:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:30pm followed by Mass at 8pm.

**First Saturday Devotions - 3rd May:**

Rosary and keeping Our Lady company within Adoration and Benediction from 8am to 8:45am.

**Tea / Coffee - 8am Mass - Next Sunday:**

There will be tea/coffee served in the hall after the 8am Mass next Sunday. All Welcome.

**Justice & Peace Food Collection - Next Weekend:**

Next weekend we are collecting for **Christian Care**. They appreciate: Basmati Rice, Tinned Tuna, Corned Beef, Pasta Sauce, Biscuits, Crisps - bags of 6, Tea bags - boxes of 40, Tinned Ham, Hot dogs, Chopped Tomatoes, Sweet Corn.

*Please bring donations to the hall before Mass.*

**Funeral:**

Please remember the family in your prayers.

**Michele Mongiovi RIP:**

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

**Jubilee Mass - Friday 9th May:**

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

**Holy Places Collection - Thank You:**

Thank you to all those who gave so generously to the Holy Places collection on Good Friday, we raised £655.78.

### **Lenten Lunches - Thank You:**

This year's Lenten Lunch raised £508 for Wimbledon Food Bank, featured some new flavours and friendship and support on the road to Easter. Thank you to all those who volunteered and to those who donated.

### **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 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>

### **Over 60's Group:**

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

### **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.

### **St John Fisher School - Nursery:**

Places available for September in Nursery please contact Mrs Aldred 020 85402637 to book a visit.

**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)**

### **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 **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.**



*Our Parish Primary School is*

**St. John Fisher R. C. Primary and Nursery School, Grand Drive, West Wimbledon, SW20 9NA, Tel: 020 8540 2637**

Email: [school@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk](mailto:school@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk) Web: [www.st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk](http://www.st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk) Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/stjohnfisherprimary>

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

