



Fisherman's Herald
Seventeenth Sunday (C) - 27th July 2025
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Parish Office: **Monday & Thursday from 9am to 2pm.**

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

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| Saturday 26th | 5:00-5:50pm 6:00pm | Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) Lionel Paul RIP Anniversary |
| Sunday 27th <i>Seventeenth Sunday (C)</i> | 8::00am 9:30am 11:00am 6:30pm | People of The Parish Canon Acton RIP Brian D'Sa Birthday Vincent Eugene Aloysius & Ida Clotilda Lobo |
| Monday 28th | 8:30am 9:00am | <i>Rosary</i> Innocencia Fernandes RIP EB & Co (Intentions) |
| Tuesday 29th <i>Saints Mary, Martha and Lazarus</i> | 8:30am 9:00am | <i>Rosary</i> Father David Gummett Manuel & Urania Pocas |
| Wednesday 30th | 8:30am 9:00am | <i>Rosary</i> Gemma Morgan RIP Gustavo & Ivonne Pasquet |
| Thursday 31st <i>St Ignatius of Loyola, Bishop & Doctor of The Church</i> <i>Bidding Prayers</i> | 8:30am 9:00am 9:30-10:00am | <i>Rosary</i> Janine & Jacque Booker Edward Hawkins RIP <i>Weekly Adoration</i> |
| Friday 1st <i>St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of The Church</i> <i>First Friday</i> | 8:30am 9:00am 7:30pm 8:00pm | <i>Rosary</i> Ramona Marinas RIP <i>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</i> Patrick Langan RIP |
| Saturday 2nd <i>First Saturday</i> | 8:00-8:45am 9:00am 9:30-10:30am | <i>First Saturday Devotions</i> Simonne Ribere & Claude Casamayor <i>Confessions (Confessional)</i> |
| Saturday 2nd Sunday 3rd <i>Eighteenth Sunday (C)</i> | 5:00-5:50pm 6:00pm 8:00am 9:30am 11:00am 6:30pm | Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>) Joey & Jessica (Intentions) Paul Patrick D'Sa Birthday RIP People of The Parish Jolene Donaghue Dr Lawrence John Lobo & Sophia Lobo & Children |

The Fifth World Day for Grandparents & The Elderly:

Today is the Fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The theme, "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" emphasises the importance of cherishing and supporting the elderly as sources of hope and wisdom. As a parish family, we use this celebration to express our love and appreciation for grandparents and the elderly.

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.

Parish Business:

Parish business on Monday 28th July from 7pm to 8pm.

First Friday - 1st August:

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

NO JUBILEE MASS THIS WEEK

First Saturday Devotions - 2nd August:

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

Fr Joseph Farewell:

As has been announced, Fr Joseph in a few weeks will leave us to take up a new appointment. In a spirit of gratitude parishioners are invited to contribute a monetary gift by using the donation envelopes provided at the entrance. Alternatively, you can use the contactless machine by selecting "Fr Joseph - Farewell". Fr Joseph's official farewell will be taking place after 6pm Mass on Saturday 16th August.

Funeral:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

Tony Brook RIP

Requiem Mass on Monday 11th August at 12:30pm.

Margaret Kiernan RIP

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 12th August at 12:30pm.

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.

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

Jubilee Mass - Friday 8th August:

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

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.

Food Collection - 2nd / 3rd August:

Next weekend we are collecting for the Faith In Action. They appreciate: Packet soups especially chicken soup, Pot Noodles or similar, Multipacks 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.

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

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.

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.

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.

Church Cleaning - August:

Cleaning of the Church on Wednesday 6th and Wednesday 20th August at 9:30am. New volunteers welcome.

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>

A Day with Mary:

Sat 9th August at St Mary's Croydon and Sat 16th August at Sacred Heart, Wimbledon.. 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/

Easy Fundraising:

Please sign up to Easy Fundraising and help our parish to earn a cashback reward when you shop online with any of their retail partners including: Amazon, John Lewis, Tesco, Argos, Ebay, Currys, Dunelm, Pets at Home and many more. <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/johnfisherrcchurch/>

Talkabout - Parish Magazine:

The Summer edition of our parish magazine is available to download from our parish website. Paper copies are available from the back of Church. Donations towards printing costs are appreciated, suggested donation: £1.50.

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 **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.

