

**Fisherman's Herald**  
**The Thirty-Second Sunday of the Year (B) - 10th November 2024**  
**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**

<b>Saturday 9th</b>	6:00pm	Marcella (Thanksgiving)
<b>Sunday 10th</b>	8:00am	Deceased Members of Tully Family
<b>Thirty-Second Sunday (B)</b> <i>Remembrance Day</i>	9:30am	People of the Parish
	11:00am	Dead of Two World Wars
	Noon	<i>Sr Catherine Prayer Service</i>
<b>Monday 11th</b> <i>St Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>	6:30pm	Tadevsz Motyka RIP (1st Anniversary)
	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Rosy Fernandes RIP St Anthony (Thanksgiving)
<b>Tuesday 12th</b> <i>St Josaphat, Bishop &amp; Martyr</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Eileen & Michael (Intentions) Blessed Carlo Acutis (Thanksgiving)
<b>Wednesday 13th</b>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Delia Heydon & Relatives Christian & Josette Casamayor
<b>Thursday 14th</b> <i>Bidding Prayers</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Maria Divine Lobo RIP Mary Yeats RIP (1st Anniversary)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
<b>Friday 15th</b>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Merton Goan Widows Group & Families Gustavo & Yvonne Pasquet
<b>Saturday 16th</b>	NO 9AM MASS 10am	<b>Confirmation</b>
<b>Saturday 16th</b>	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions ( <i>Confessional</i> )
	6:00pm	Deceased Members of the Melly & Langan Family
<b>Sunday 17th</b> <b>Thirty-Third Sunday (B)</b> <i>World Day for the Poor</i>	8:00am	Deceased Members of McKay Family
	9:30am	Mary Moriarty RIP
	11:00am	Sharon Peck RIP (1st Anniversary)
	6:30pm	People of the Parish

**Holy Souls - November - Month of Remembrance:**

Cards and envelopes are available at the back of the Church for parishioners. You write the names of your deceased relatives and friends on the card and put your offering for the Holy Souls in the envelopes. The names of the Holy Souls have been placed before the Altar and will be remembered during the month of November.

**Archbishop's Appeal Second Collection - Today:**

The Archbishop's Appeal is a Diocesan second collection that funds key areas of ministry: Youth and Evangelisation, Our Faith in Action (Caritas) and Clergy Care and Formation. Your support will enable the Archdiocese of Southwark to support innovative projects taking place within Catholic parishes and Schools throughout South London and Kent that seek to invest Faith, Hope and Love into the communities they serve. Please be generous to the Archbishop's Appeal 2024. Every gift is welcome. Find out more, or donate online: [www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/archbishops-appeal)  
 Thank you for your generosity of heart.



**Parish Business:**

Parish business on Monday 11th November, 7pm-8pm.

**Sister Catherine RIP - Prayer Service - Today:**

Sunday 10th November after the 11am Mass.

**Christmas Cards for persecuted Christians:**

Next weekend the Justice and Peace Group will again be inviting parishioners to send a Christmas Card to someone in prison or persecuted for their faith. We will provide the cards, address and some information. All you need is the greeting and a stamp. Please do not make any political comment in your card. We suggest you express sympathy for their situation and promise prayers.

**Confirmation Ceremony – Saturday 16th November:**

Canon Gerard Bradley, the Episcopal Vicar of the Southwest Area will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish on **Saturday 16th November at 10am**. Please note that there will be no 9am Mass or morning Confessions on that day.

There will be a Confirmation practice on **Tuesday 12th November at 7pm** in the Church. All candidates and their sponsors should attend this important practice.

**Fairtrade Sale:**

The Justice and Peace Group thank all who supported the Fairtrade Sale. We hope you are enjoying your Fairtrade products. We made a profit of **£56** for Christian Care Family Support.

## **Funerals:**

Please remember the families in your prayers.

### **Doreen Fernandes RIP:**

Requiem Mass on Tuesday 19th November at 12 noon.

### **Valentino Borga RIP:**

Requiem Mass on Thursday 28th November at 11am.

### **Parish Volunteers Get Together - Sat 23rd 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 23rd 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.

### **St John Fisher Christmas Fair - Sat 14<sup>th</sup> December:**

11am-3pm in the Parish Hall. Save the date for this special Christmas event. Next weekend we will be collecting donations for the **Toys Stall.**

There is a box in the narthex for all your donations of toys in good condition and complete. Please see noticeboard at the back of Church for more information.

### **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)

### **Church Attendance Slips:**

All Children will require a school reference when applying to Catholic High Schools. Slips are available at the back of Church for Children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 during term time. The parish will use these slips to keep a record of (Saturday Evening or (Sunday) Mass attendance when signing reference forms. Please, DO NOT FILL IN THESE SLIPS for any child who is not present, or if your child is not attending Holy Mass on a Saturday Evening or Sunday.

### **Senior Citizens - Christmas Party:**

The Christmas celebration for our senior citizens takes place on Saturday 7th December beginning with Mass at 11:30am, followed by lunch in the hall. Anyone who would like to attend please let us know ASAP.

### **CAFOD - Thank You:**

We have received a letter of thanks from CAFOD for our latest donation of £ 398.73. Please see noticeboard at the back of Church for a copy of the letter.

### **Church Cleaning - Weds 20th November:**

New volunteers welcome.

## **Repository:**

Repository (Parish Shop) is open every WEEK before & after 9.30am Sunday Mass AND ALSO before & after 6.00pm Saturday Mass.

### **42<sup>nd</sup> Street Band Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024:**

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.

### **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 Mrs Ursula O'Byrne and she can be contacted on 07943800663. If you have any concerns please contact her immediately.

### **A Day with Mary:**

Please visit [www.adaywithmary.org](http://www.adaywithmary.org) or see the poster on Church noticeboard for dates and more information.

### **CAFOD World Gifts Catalogue:**

Please take a copy of the CAFOD world gifts catalogue from the table at the back of Church or order online at: [www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts](http://www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts)

### **Oppose the Assisted Dying Bill:**

The Bishops of England & Wales are calling on all Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide (or assisted dying). Please visit [www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide) urgently to see how YOU can contact your MP to voice your opposition to assisted suicide being rushed into law.

**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 remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish **Christina Duffy, Melina Pinto, Sean Deane, Maura Chabbra, Thomas Ivan Grostate, Patricia Sherren, James Walsh, Ravi Aumeerun, Richard Skeehan, John Myles & Stewart Christopher Myles, Charles & Anna 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 & Jim Cosgrove.**



**PLEASE COMPLETE A SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIP**  
(SLIPS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF CHURCH FOR THOSE IN SCHOOL YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6)

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

