

Fisherman's Herald

The Thirtieth Sunday Of The Year (B) - 24th October 2021



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

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 23rd	6:00pm	Serena - Thanksgiving
Sunday 24th	8:00am	Cybriano Gracias RIP
Thirtieth Sunday (B) <i>World Mission Day</i>	9:30am	Mary Walsh - Private Intention
	11:00am	People of The Parish
	6:30pm	Dr Antonio Xavier Noronha
Monday 25th	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Mrs Whelan RIP
Tuesday 26th	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Lila Bastiampillai RIP
Wednesday 27th	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Mary Davitt
Thursday 28th <i>Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles</i>	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Patricia Humpheys RIP
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
Friday 29th	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Ann Culleton - Wellbeing
Saturday 30th	8:15am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Maurice Collingwood Nelson RIP (7th Anniversary)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Confessions (Hall)</i>
Saturday 30th	6:00pm	Gerry Ryan RIP Anniversary
Sunday 31st <i>All Saints</i>	8:00am	Melba Hall (Birthday)
	9:30am	Helen O'Keeffe RIP Anniversary
	11:00am	Annie McKay RIP Anniversary
	6:30pm	People of The Parish

New Government Guidelines - COVID 19:

In line with the government's new guidelines which began on Monday 19th July, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have recommended the following:

1. Continue to sanitize hands on entry to Churches and before liturgies
2. Wear face coverings in Church
3. Ventilate the Church building especially during Mass and other celebrations
4. Clean high frequency touch points in the Church after each act of Worship
5. Thoroughly clean the Church once a week. (It will be good to maintain the practice of cleaning our Church at least once every day depending on the availability of cleaners)
6. Distribute/Receive Holy Communion at the normal time and not at the end of Mass but only under one kind
7. Suspend the physical Sign of Peace during Mass
8. Not to use Holy Water stoups

For more details please visit:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/covid-guidance-collective-worship/>

Synod:

The Archbishop is calling us to take part in the listening phase of the Synod which Pope Francis has invited the whole Church to join. As a parish of St John Fisher we will be holding a meeting on **Monday 1st November at 7:30pm** in the Parish Hall.

For more information visit <https://rcaos.org.uk/synod>

World Mission Day - Second Collection

This Weekend:

Missio is the Church's official organ for the support of foreign missions. The collection taken on World Mission Sunday goes in its entirety to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP):

One of the aims of the SVP in our Parish is to help parishioners who are experiencing financial difficulties.

If you have a problem in paying utility bills or purchasing essential school items, please contact the Parish office in confidence.

Mothers Prayers:

Fri. 29th Oct from 9.30am-10.00am in the Day Chapel.



Eucharistic Adoration:

Thursday 28th Oct. from 9:30am to 10:30am in Church.

Confessions: Saturday 30th October from 9:30am to 10:30am in the Hall.

Confirmation November 2021:

There will be a Rite of Election for the Confirmation Candidates on Sunday 7th November during the 9:30am Mass. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Paul Hendricks on Saturday 13th November at 10:30am. There will be no morning Mass and no confessions that day.

Holy Souls:

Cards are available at the back of the Church for parishioners, to put the names of your deceased relatives and friends on. These cards will be placed near the Altar during the month of November.

All Souls' Day - Tuesday 2nd November:

There will be two Masses to mark All Souls Day. During the 7:30pm Mass, the names of all who have died in this parish since All Souls Day 2020 will be read out and a candle lit for each.

Blessing of Graves - Sunday 14th November at 3pm:

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 for any relatives or friends of parishioners who are buried there or in the Morden Cemetery/Crematorium.

Senior Citizens Club

The next session of our Senior Citizens Club will be on **Thursday 28th October at 1pm** in the Parish Hall. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office to register.

Funerals:

Please remember the families in your prayers.

Pat Igoe RIP:

Reception of body into Church on Tuesday 26th October at 5pm

Requiem Mass - Wednesday 27th October at 12:30pm

Kevin Deegan RIP:

Requiem Mass - Wednesday 10th November at 11:30am

Choir Loft Works:

Works in the choir loft have begun in preparation for the organ replacement.

Parish Youth club:

We are looking for volunteers to run the Parish Youth Club on Friday evenings from 7-9pm. Please contact the Parish office if you are able or know someone who can assist in this regard.

Parish Readers / Eucharistic Ministers:

Thank you to those who have continued their ministry during the period of lockdown. We would however now like to resume our rotas for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers. Please can you email the parish office at merton@rcaos.org.uk if you are happy to be included on the rota. Please include the mass that you attend when you reply.

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.

Weekly Offertory Donations:

Thank you to those parishioners who contribute generously towards the running costs of the Parish. In case anyone wishes to make donations in this regard, please use any of the following 3 ways:

1. Please email merton@rcaos.org.uk for a pledge form
2. Continue to use your weekly gift aid envelopes
3. Donate to our parish justgiving page:

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-john-fisher-merton

St. John Fisher RC Primary School - your parish primary school:

If you are interested in finding out more about our wonderful school or are looking for a place for your child/children in Nursery or Reception for September 2022, please use the link below to take a virtual tour of the school. We are looking forward to recommencing in person school tours. Please check our website for details (st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk) or contact the school on (admin.officer@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk) or 020 8540 2637 (telephone). https://drive.google.com/file/d/1audrCXNse19nAlgFbuBLxiG_K4hRTVGr/view?usp=sharing

Coffee Meeting:

The Justice & Peace Group invite you to a Coffee Morning at 22, Aylward Road SW20 9AF, on Tuesday 26th October from 10am to 12 noon. Entrance £6 in aid of Missio, the red box.appeal. Jams & cakes on sale.

Parish Hall Hire

The parish hall can now be hired through a company called Praetorium. For bookings please visit their website: <https://lowcosthalls.co.uk/location/merton-church-hall/>

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You

Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Pope Francis

School Supplementary Forms: If you require a school supplementary form to be signed for Nursery, Reception or High School, please drop the forms through the presbytery letterbox and include a copy of the Baptism certificate.

NO SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE SLIPS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE