

Fisherman's Herald
The Thirtieth Sunday of the Year (B) - 27th October 2024
St John Fisher Church

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



MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK

Saturday 26th	6:00pm	Maurice Collingwood Nelson RIP (10th Anniversary)
Sunday 27th <i>Thirtieth Sunday (B)</i>	8:00am	Marlene Saldanha RIP
	9:30am	Greta O'Rourke (Wellbeing)
	11:00am	Margaret Lydon RIP
	6:30pm	People of The Parish
Monday 28th <i>Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Christian & Josette Casamayor
		Milag (Health & Intentions)
Tuesday 29th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Gustave & Jvonne Pasquet Tony Sheridan RIP
Wednesday 30th	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Merton Goan Widows Group & Families Manuel & Urania Pocas
Thursday 31st <i>Bidding Prayers</i> <i>Vigil Mass</i>	8:30am	<i>Rosary</i>
	9:00am	Annie McKay RIP Anniversary Yvette (Thanksgiving)
	9:30-10:30am	<i>Weekly Adoration</i>
	6:00pm	Joseph Okoroafor RIP
Friday 1st <i>First Friday</i> <i>All Saints</i>	8:30am	Rosary
	9:00am	Cynthia Carss
	7:30pm	<i>Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament</i>
	8:00pm	Antonio Honaratio
Saturday 2nd <i>First Saturday</i> The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed All Soul's Day)	8:00-8:45am	First Saturday Devotions
	9:00am	Deceased Members of the Chuihong Family
	9:30-10:30am	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	3:00pm	<i>Service of Light</i>
Saturday 2nd Sunday 3rd <i>Thirty-First Sunday (B)</i>	5:00-5:50pm	Confessions (<i>Confessional</i>)
	6:00pm	Gerald Fox RIP
	8:00am	Marlene Saldanha RIP
	9:30am	Patrick D'Sa RIP
	11:00am	Jimmy Brophy RIP
	6:30pm	People of the Parish

The Rosary In October:

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. Those who recite five decades of the Rosary in church, or a family, or as a group may gain a plenary indulgence daily. You can also recite daily the Litany of Loreto and the Prayer to Saint Joseph.

Parish Business:

Parish business on Monday 28th October, 7pm to 8pm.

First Friday - 1st November:

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

First Saturday Devotions - 2nd November:

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

The Solemnity of All Saints:

The Solemnity of All Saints is on 1st November. It is a feast commemorating all Christian Saints. It is a holy day of obligation.

The Feast of All Souls:

All Souls is a day of solemn remembrance by the Church of all the faithful departed. Those who visit a Church where the Our Father and Creed are recited, sacramental confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the Holy Father's intention or a visit to a cemetery between 1st and 8th November and pray for the faithful departed may obtain a plenary indulgence, applicable to the holy souls.

Service of Light - Saturday 2nd November at 3pm:

There will be a special service of light for all those who have died in this parish since All Souls Day 2023. The names of the deceased will be read out and a candle lit for each by a family member.

Blessing of Graves - Sunday 3rd 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.

New Contactless Machine:

We have installed two new and updated contactless machines, one at the entrance and the other near the votive candle stand. We thank all those who make their offerings and donations this way. If you are able to gift aid your contributions you will need to input your details again (you will only need to do this once).

Church Cleaning - Weds 6th & 20th November:

New volunteers welcome.

Faith in Action Food Collection - Next Weekend:

Next weekend our parish Justice & peace group are collecting for Faith in Action, drop in for the homeless. They appreciate: Packed lunch items, Cereal Bars & Protein Bars, Multi-packs of Crisps, Multi-packs of small Juice Cartons, Sugar, Small ring-pull tins of Sardines or Mackerel fillets, Tins of Corned Beef, Tins of Sweetcorn, Jars of Peanut Butter.

Funeral:

Please remember the family in your prayers.

Catherine 'Kitty' McVey RIP:

Requiem Mass on Monday 4th November at 11:10am.

Parish Volunteers Get Together - Sat 23rd Nov:

Father Francis would like to invite all volunteers of the parish, to 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.

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

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.

St John Fisher Christmas Fair - Sat 14th December:

11am-3pm in the Parish Hall. Save the date for this special Christmas event. Next weekend we will be collecting donations for the **Christmas Stall**. There is a box in the narthex for all your donations of cards, wrapping paper, wreaths, decorations and all things festive. If you would like to stall or would like to volunteer to run a stall, please email the parish office. Please see noticeboard at the back of Church for more information

Repository:

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

42nd Street Band Saturday 30th 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.

High School Open Events - Sept 2025:

Please see posters on Church noticeboard for more details of High school open events.

A Day with Mary:

Please visit www.adaywithmary.org or see the poster on Church noticeboard for dates and more information.

Wimbledon College - Job Vacancy:

Teaching Support Assistant vacancy at Wimbledon College. Visit www.wimbledoncollege.org.uk/jobopportunities under 'about us'/'job opportunities' or apply by online application form via eteach www.eteach.com/job/teaching-support-assistant-1448569 Closing date: 12noon on 4th November

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

Please remember in your prayers the sick and housebound of our parish **Christina Duffy, Melina Pinto, Sean Deane, Adrian Donaghue, 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 and Jim Cosgrove.**



NO SCHOOL SLIPS THIS WEEKEND DUE TO THE HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Our Parish Primary School is

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

