

Please pray for: Annette Parker, Avelina Pelaez Siddiqi, Ted Deeney, Rose Stevens, Malgorzata Myrkwa, Marlene Lock, Michael Delaney, Elaine Berry, Maria Wales, Stanley Cummings, Philomena Feighery, Breda Connellan, Habiba, Pat Walsh, Suzanne Acton, Patrick Stewart-Paul, Carl Bryan, John Langan, Felix Silva, Vanessa & family; **for those who died recently:** Tony Taylor, Margaret Walsh, Eileen Elston, Christine McGreevy, Frank Carroll, **and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** George Burns, Mary Vella, George Wickramaratne, Andy Hogan, Lisa Connellan, Michael Heduan, Anne Kelly, Anne Kelly.



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SANCTUARY CANDLE LIGHTS

You might like to dedicate the Tabernacle's candle in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving. This week's dedication is: **James & Bridie Curtin RIP (anniv)** Please contact Celia Flanigan (Parish Office) if you would like to reserve a week. (Suggested donation is £10)

FLOWERS

The dedication for flowers this week is:
In memory of Sean Healy RIP

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Resumes on Sunday 10th of January, all children in Church.

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - C

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6 Matthew 2: 1-12

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THE HAIL HOLY QUEEN (For the prayers of the faithful, Year of Mercy)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen.

LITURGY TIMES THIS WEEK

Saturday	2	Mass	6.30pm	Carmina Gonsalves RIP
Sunday	3	Mass	9.30am	Anne Kelly RIP (anniv)
		Mass	11.30am	In Thanksgiving for prayers & good wishes from O'Connor family
		Mass	6.30pm	Private Intentions
Monday	4	Mass	10.00am	Intentions of Joan O'Connell
Tuesday	5	Mass	10.00am	Gerry Corcery RIP
Wednesday	6	Mass	7.30pm	Intentions of Martin
Thursday	7	Mass	10.00am	Intentions of Kathleen Mulcahy & family
Friday	8	Mass	10.00am	Denis & Eileen McCarthy
Saturday	9	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Veneration of God's Mercy
Sunday	10	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - Year C		
		Masses at:	9.30am	Nora Doran
			11.30am (Choir)	McCarthy family RIP
			6.30pm	People of the Parish

Confessions: Saturday 5.30 - 6.15pm or by appointment.

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament: Monday after Mass until 11.30am and Saturday 5.00 - 6.00pm.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today is a feast of light! Images of light surround us in today's Liturgy. In fact, the meaning of the word *Epiphany* means "revelation" or "illumination." What was once darkness is now light; what was once hidden is now revealed. Christ is the light of God who has come into the world. "The darkness has not overcome the light" Indeed, that is what the feast of today celebrates: that God's Light has come into the world and has overpowered the darkness; that God, through Christ, has literally transformed the darkness into light! Today's celebration fills our hearts with hope. The darkness that exists in the world is all too real: war, terrorism, the darkness of an increasing disregard for human life; darkness of oppression and violence. Sometimes the darkness is strong and it threatens to actually overcome the Light that is Christ, the Light that is his Gospel, the Light that is God's love. But we have a promise from God and today we remember that promise: The darkness will never overcome the Light! Today we proclaim that God shines upon us and, in his love, his glory will always appear over us.

Fr. Agustin

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

Only for those children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There will be an important **meeting for parents on Friday 15th of January at 7.30pm in the Church.**

CONFIRMATION 2016

For those who applied for a place in the Confirmation programme, the first meeting will take place on **Tuesday 9th of February 7.15pm** in the Church. **Parents and Candidates are expected** to attend this important meeting. **Confirmation course dates 2016 available in the porch.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016

Catechists' meeting on Monday 11th of January at 7.30pm in the Parish Room. All catechists are expected to attend.

MARRIAGE COURSE 2016 "ENGAGE"

Our Marriage Course takes place next year, 7 sessions on Thursdays from 8.00-10.00pm, **February: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th, March 3rd & Saturday 12th for the last two sessions.** Please contact Fr. Agustin if you wish to book a place on the course.

ADVENT PARISH PROJECTS 2015

From Ealing Street Pastors: *Dear Fr. Agustin and all at St. John Fisher, THANK YOU! For your support. It was lovely to come and worship with you. Thank you so much for the lollipops. God bless, Sophie Schuil-Brewer (Ealing Street Pastors coordinator)*

From Mary's Meals: *A very big 'thank you' for allowing Mary's Meals to again have its Rags to Riches collection at St John Fisher last Sunday. I am delighted to say that the parish managed to give 720kg* of unwanted clothes; there were also cash donations of £352.67 making a **total contribution of £712.67.** Please let the parish know how grateful Mary's Meals is for its support – this is an excellent result! The amount raised will feed 58 children who will not only get fed one good, nutritious meal every school day for a whole year, but they will get an education too. Gerrard McMahon (London Fundraising coordinator)*

From the Pilgrim Choir: *Dear Fr Agustin and St John Fisher parish, Thank you for welcoming the Pilgrim Choir, allowing us to celebrate the readings and carols together, and for your generosity in helping us to go on the World Youth Day in 2016. It is always a great experience for us to visit your parish. Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. Ruth Fairbairn. The Pilgrim Choir raised **£800!***

PARISH OFFICE No. 41

The Parish Office (No. 41) is open **Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 10.30am-2.30pm and Wednesday and Friday from 9.00am-12.30pm** (excluding Bank Holidays) please leave your message if you call out of office hours.

FOR YOUR DIARIES; January 2016

Sunday 3rd	The Epiphany of the Lord		
Sunday 10th	The Baptism of the Lord		
Monday 11th	SJF Social Club, bring & buy sale	2.00pm	(Parish Room)
	1st Holy Communion <u>Catechists</u> Meeting	7.30pm	(Parish Room)
Friday 15th	1st Holy Communion <u>Parents</u> Meeting	7.30pm	(Church)
Tuesday 19th	Bereavement Meeting	7.30pm	(Parish Room)
Wednesday 20th	Finance Committee Meeting	7.00pm	(Presbytery)
Tuesday 19th	Confirmation Catechists Meeting	7.30pm	(Presbytery)
Saturday 23rd	1st Holy Communion (Saturday groups)	5.00pm	(Parish Room)
Monday 25th	Episcopal Ordinations	12.00noon	Westminster Cathedral
	1st Holy Communion (Monday groups)	6.30pm	(Church & PR)

Many Thanks for Last Week's Collection: Envelopes £506.49 Loose £264.62
Total: £771.11

MASS INTENTIONS

It is a good tradition for Catholics to ask for Masses to be said for those who have died or for some special intention or occasion. **Each priest is allowed to have only ONE intention for each Mass (Can. 945)** This means we can easily get booked up to three months ahead at weekends. **If you wish your Mass to be said at St. John Fisher and you would like a particular date, it would be wise to contact the Parish Office (Mrs Celia Flanigan) well in advance.**

ST. JOHN FISHER SOCIAL CLUB, BRING AND BUY SALE

Saint John Fisher -Bring and Buy Sale **Monday 11th Jan 2016 -2.00pm in the Parish Room.** Do you have any unwanted Christmas gifts? books, clothes, jewellery, bric-a-brac, etc. Bring them along. Tea, coffee and biscuits available. **All proceeds to Marie Curie.**

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE 2016 Mondays 8th & 15th of February (8.00-9.00pm)

If you would like to book a place on the course **please fill in the Registration Form available in the porch and return it to the Parish Office (No. 41) or give it to Fr. Agustin.** Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate children during the Baptism Course so please arrange babysitting. The sessions will be held in the Parish Room.

FLOWERS DEDICATION

Remember that as well as the Sanctuary Candle Light, **flowers in the Church can also be dedicated** in remembrance, at an anniversary, in thanksgiving or for special occasions such as first holy communions, baptisms, wedding anniversaries...if you would like to dedicate a week please put your donation towards the expenses of the flowers that week in an envelope with the name of the person to whom you would like to dedicate the flowers and give it to Fr. Agustin or bring it to the Parish Office.