

# St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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## 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 – ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**Sunday 10.00am Mass and highlighted Masses livestreamed on 'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel**

*You may appear on camera if you are seated in the front four pews and/or when you come to receive Holy Communion.*

<b>15<sup>th</sup> Sat</b> 10.00am	BVM on Saturday Susan Pike RIP
6.00pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday People of the Parish
<b>16<sup>th</sup> Sun</b> 8:30am	<b>ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> James Perera RIP
<b>10.00am</b>	Joe Mesquita RIP/Bday
11.30am	John Patrick Hayes & William Pal RIP/Anniv
<b>17<sup>th</sup> Mon</b> 10.00am	feria Sharon McCarthy
<b>18<sup>th</sup> Tue</b> <b>9.00 am</b>	feria Aleksandra Nekut RIP/Anniv & Horst Nekut RIP
<b>19<sup>th</sup> Wed</b> 10.00am	Saint Romuald, Abbot Fred Carlton RIP
<b>20<sup>th</sup> Thu</b> 7.00pm	Saint Alban, Martyr (Diocesan) Xavier Texeira, RIP/Anniv
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Fri</b> 10.00am	Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious Carole Dodds
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> Sat</b> 10.00am	BVM on Saturday Duleep Obeyesekere RIP
6.00pm	Vigil Mass of Sunday People of the Parish
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> Sun</b> 8:30am	<b>SS JOHN FISHER &amp; THOMAS MORE</b> <b>Patronal feast of our parish</b> Janet Texeira RIP
<b>10.30 am</b>	Jacqui Mesquita-Morris RIP/Bday Followed by 'prosecco and picnic'

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday: 10.30am - 11.30am, 5.15 - 5.45 pm and by appointment

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays and Fridays 9am-9.50am

Saturdays, First Friday: after Mass - 11.30am (Benediction on First Friday)

**Baptisms, Funerals & Weddings** – by appointment

**Sacrament of the Sick** – please speak to a priest or contact the parish office leaving a message if there is no reply

### WHY AM I HERE TODAY?

This question was put a group of us from the parish renewal team who attended the Catholic Parish Summit in Harrogate this week. Can you answer that question? If you struggle then how will we persuade others to come and join us? Pope Francis calls us to be missionary disciples and to not keep our faith to ourselves

To discuss questions including:

- Is There More To Life Than This?
- Why did Jesus Die?
- Why and How Do I Pray?
- What does the Holy Spirit Do?
- How Does God Guide us?
- Why and How Should I Tell Others?

....then try Alpha.

Join a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. At each Alpha session, you'll be hosted in a small group and watch an episode on a different question of faith – then you have a chance to share your thoughts and hear what others think. You can say anything you like, or nothing at all. Everyone's welcome. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs. It's free and there's no pressure to come back.'

Starting 6.30pm on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September in the Parish Centre. Sign up after Mass this weekend and invite someone else to join you!

*Every blessing,*

*Fr Graham*



### CHANGES TO SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (St John Fisher)

Masses at 6pm (Sat), 8.30am and **10.30am**  
followed by parish 'prosecco and picnic'

Reflect on upcoming Sunday's Readings with the help of

[www.wednesdayword.org](http://www.wednesdayword.org)

Ss John Fisher & Thomas More

Job 3:1.8-11 Psalm 106;

2 Corinthians 5: 14-17; Mark 4: 35-41

## REGULAR NOTICES

If you or a sick relative could benefit from a visit from the parish **St Vincent de Paul Society**, please contact the parish office or SVP direct on **07935 776298**.

**If you would like a visit from the priest and/or to regularly receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office**

**Recently Deceased** : Tony McWilliams

**Pray also for** – Bernie Doran, Austin Hatton, Austin Campbell, Gavin Bissett, Joseph D'Souza, James Burke, Sandy Pufler, Cassie Kerrigan, Kathleen Lucas, Yolanda Cobb, Gus Buczek, Ann Smith, Jim Delahunty, Aleksandra Nekut, Jim Bruce, George Stevens, Julia Casartelli, Neilly Duggan, Xavier Teixeira, Billy Aherne, Ann Kilcoyne, Raymond Jagdeo, Patrick Flaherty, Vincent McGreevy, June Cahalin, Frances Potter, Philip Mendonça and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

## PARISH NOTICES

**On Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June Mass will be at 9am** due to the **Episcopal Ordination of Mgr Jim Curry** as an Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster which takes place at 12noon in Westminster Cathedral and to which everyone is invited.

**Canon Kevin Jordan invites you to a Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving for 25 years of the Sacred Priesthood** at 7pm on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** at the Church of Our Lady, 54 Lodge Road, London NW8 8LA followed by a reception. Please RSVP to [kevinjordan@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:kevinjordan@rcdow.org.uk)

### **FEAST OF ST JOHN FISHER, SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE**

We will celebrate our patronal feast on this day.

- **Sunday Masses will be at 8.30am and 10.30am** – note the 10am and 11.30am Masses will be combined into a Mass at **10.30am**
- at **10:30 am Mass** we will read the Lord's Prayer in the languages of the countries from which we or our families originate. If you would like to be part of this please sign the sheet on the table in the narthex, giving your name and telephone number. **All those who have signed up are invited to gather for 5 minutes after 10am mass this Sunday to go through how this will work with Anna**
- During the 10.30am Mass our deacon to be, James, will make and sign his public Profession of Faith.
- after the 10:30 am mass we will have a **Prosecco and Picnic on the lawn in front of the priests' house**. We will provide the prosecco if you **bring your own picnic and blanket** (or sit on the chairs provided) Pray for better weather too!



**Midweek Masses for July and August** – There may either not be a **Wednesday 10am or Thursday 7pm masses in the months of July and August** whilst Fr Graham and Fr Axcel take their summer breaks. Please read this newsletter to be aware which Wednesdays or Thursdays masses are not taking place.

**100 Club** – The draws for 2022, 2023 and the first four months of 2024 have taken place. The names of prize-winners were sent out with the newsletter and are on the noticeboard in the

church narthex. If you wish to claim your prize please contact [harrownorthbookkeeper@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:harrownorthbookkeeper@rcdow.org.uk). We will relaunch the 100 club in the Autumn. Thank you for supporting it.

**Only 2 weeks until the School Summer Fete on 29<sup>th</sup> June!** We still need **Volunteers** to help on the day so please contact the Parish Office or email Alison Jackson if you can spare an hour or need any information [alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com](mailto:alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com). We urgently need donations of **Plants** and **Cakes**. We would be grateful for cakes of any kind as the stall runs out quickly. These can be left in the porch from the weekend of **22/23rd June**. The last collection from the church will be after the 10.00am Mass on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you for your support

The **Friends of St John Fisher School** will be selling **raffle tickets (£5 per book) at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 23rd June**. Please **bring cash** as they will not have a card reader.

**Children entering school year 3 in September?** If you hope for your child to journey towards the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion then our family catechesis is the path for you and your family to follow! Our **family catechesis** sessions – **Growing in Faith Together (GIFT)** – are for any family with children in primary school between the ages of 5 and 12 years. Our next family session will be on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July** starting with Mass at 10:00am. The next parents session on ZOOM will take place on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June** at 8pm. Any family who may not have already registered is welcome to come along.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW)** is offered on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at the 10:00am Mass. CLW is suitable for children in pre-school to year 3 (ages 4 – 7). All young children are welcome. Any parent who would like to support this by leading sessions or acting as a support member of the team should get in touch with Jan either at Mass or by email [harrownorthcat@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:harrownorthcat@rcdow.org.uk)

**Church Cleaning** - can you help the team on a **Wednesday morning?** The team meets after the 10.00am Mass once every 3 weeks for approximately 1 hour. For more information please contact the Parish Office or email [alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com](mailto:alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com). Thank you for your generosity in this essential 'behind the scenes' work.

**Parish Women's Social Group** The next meeting will be at 7.45pm on **Thursday 20th June** in the small hall. Please bring along a favourite dessert or a drink to share. All are welcome.

**SVP Raffle** - Tickets for the Society of St Vincent de Paul's annual raffle will be on sale after all masses on **29<sup>th</sup>/30th June**. Please support this organisation that does so much to help those in need in parishes across the country. Tickets cost £1 each (cash only)

**Youth Confirmation** - Young people who will be in **year 10 from September 2024** wishing to discern receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation should give their names to Fr Graham or Fr Axcel in person after Mass. To be open to the grace of a Sacrament requires a period of preparation of both mind and heart. You should be baptised Roman Catholic and weekly attender at Mass in the parish. Please listen out for notices at Sunday Mass about registration and for more details