

Please pray for: Marianne Elliott, Ken and Sheila Green, Melanie Kraan, Gigi Reale, Jo Dearlove, Malgorzata Myrkwa, Leila Cummings, Terril Park, George Brum, Chris Keeffe, David Newbert, Teresa Oatway, Stephen Connellan, Stanley Cummings, Avit Castillo, Avelina Pe-laez Siddiqi, Marlene Lock, Michael Delaney, Maria Wales, Breda Connellan, Suzanne Acton, Carl Bryan,

for those who died recently: Leonard Cabral, Keith Murray, Alcinda Ramos, Maria Stella Bastiampillai, Margaret Mulhall, Fr Bryan Jones, Pat Galvin, **and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Margaret Molinari, Mary Culkin, Sophia Merlin Pergjergji, Raymond Murphy, Michael Linnane, Irene Naylor King, Livio Upali, Monica Galvin, Gerard O'Flynn, John Daly, Pearl Fernando, Madge Howard, Frank Reynolds, Hedy Tremayne, Bill Taylor, Alfred Lewis, baby Santa Cruz de Souza, Ellen Regan



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - A

Acts 6: 1-7

1 Peter 2: 4-9

John 14: 1-12

10th May 2020

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**BOOKING A MASS INTENTION
DURING THIS PERIOD**

Masses will continue to be said in private for the intentions that have been booked each day and we have received Mass Intentions for each Mass until the end of May. If you would like to book a Mass Intention for June onwards you can do so via email at perivale@rcdow.org.uk or by phone (020) 8997 3164. Please leave your contact details so that we can confirm which day has been booked. Payment can be made once we are able to re-open the church.

MASS INTENTIONS - COLLECTIVE INTENTION MASSES

As public Masses cannot be celebrated at this time, it is generally no longer appropriate for priests to celebrate Mass more than once a day, including on Sundays. This might mean that some Masses which were to be celebrated for a special intention will now not be celebrated. In these situations, and only whilst these very exceptional circumstances continue, it might be necessary for a Mass to be celebrated for more than one intention.

If you have arranged to have a Saturday or Sunday Mass celebrated for a specific intention and do not wish to have that intention included with other intentions in what is known as a Collective Intention Mass, please contact the parish office.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	9	In Thanksgiving
Sunday	10	Margaret & John Dineen RIP
		Ellen Regan RIP
		Jane & Sophia
Monday	11	Cora Clasby
Tuesday	12	Rhona and Tina McDonald RIP
Wednesday	13	NO MASS
Thursday	14	Rhona and Tina McDonald RIP
Friday	15	Natalia Silva Luis (Birthday)
Saturday	16	Gilhooley Family RIP

6th SUNDAY of EASTER

Sunday	17	John Duff RIP
		Kathleen O'Mahoney RIP
		Alcinda Ramos RIP

Our Lord who is able to read all hearts, the hearts of everyone of us; including yours and mine. He says to you and me in this Sunday's Gospel: "Do not let your hearts be troubled" because he knows that deep down, even if we try to keep up appearances, the fact is that our hearts are troubled. Troubled by the worries and preoccupations that this pandemic brings and the uncertainty of what lies ahead of us as the government will soon start easing the lockdown. How is it going to be done? Will I be able to go to work? Will I be able to see my family? Are we going to be able to attend Mass? Will it be safe to go out? I guess our hearts are restless and anxious as we wait for instructions.

The Coronavirus crisis has indeed prompted us to ask ourselves many questions; what is the meaning of my life? Why is there so much suffering in the world? Why do we have to die? Most of us try to avoid these questions, we run away from them, often filling our time with things to do, keeping busy, entertainment, family, Netflix (nothing wrong with Netflix by the way!) projects, work...

But the fundamental questions of our existence are still there and they come to haunt us from time to time; when we lose our job, when someone we love dies, when we find ourselves in a lockdown due to a global pandemic, then the noise of those questions inside of us becomes louder and there is no escape, we need to confront them.

And God invites us to contend with the big questions of life so we don't live our lives alienated, inside the bubble of our little worlds where we feel secure but completely out of touch with reality. What do I live for? Does God really exist? Does he love me? Is there heaven above?

In the midst of this Coronavirus confusion in which we find ourselves, Christ claims to be the Way, the Truth and the Life. In Christ, only in him, we come to know who we are, we discover the deep meaning of life, in him we discover who God is; "To have seen me is to have seen the Father." Christ reveals to us a God full of love and tenderness, a God who wants to marry his people, a God who wants to be one with us to fill our life with meaning, with peace.

If today your heart is troubled, this word is for you: "Trust in God still and trust in me." Christ has unlocked the gates of heaven for us, he has prepared us a place to live forever, we are all destined to have a place with Christ, with him at the right hand of the Father.

Fr Agustin



OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Wednesday 13th May

In 1917, Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. They were Lucia Santos and her cousins the Blessed Jacinta Marto and Blessed Francisco Marto. Our Lady appeared to the children seven times between May - October. She told the children to say the Rosary every day to bring peace to the world and the end to war .

During this month of May, in devotion to Our Lady, we are asked to pray the Rosary each day. As well as this, let us remember Our Lady of Fatima on 13th May - her feast day.

O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen

Novena to Our Lady of Fatima at the time of the Coronavirus Pandemic 2020

Our Lady of Fatima Church, White City, has been broadcasting a daily novena at 6pm, which will end on Wednesday 13th May. Please visit their parish website (link below) to view the broadcast and to download a copy of Fr Richard Nesbitt's daily reflections.

<https://sites.google.com/site/olofwhitecity/>

HELP THY NEIGHBOUR

We have been pleased to hear that so many of you have been coping reasonably well since the lockdown began and many of you have also been going about quietly helping friends and neighbours with shopping, gardening or keeping in touch over the phone. Thank You for all you are doing - every action is Love in Action.

If there is someone in the local community who you know needs help that you cannot provide, you can request support from Ealing Together, a support hub created by Ealing Council and local community groups. You can refer someone (with their permission) either online at <https://ealingtogether.org/> or by calling 020 8825 7170. You can also let us know and we might be able to help.

If you are someone who would like to help and are looking for volunteering opportunities, also take a look at the Ealing Together website or the Caritas Volunteering Website <https://www.caritasvs.org.uk/home.php>

Your health and safety and that of those we wish to help is most important. Please follow carefully the official guidelines on social distancing and washing your hands. Please refrain from volunteering if you have any of the coronavirus symptoms, are considered to be a vulnerable person or are living with someone who is.

Please also be mindful of anyone you do not know, offering to help at the doorstep or on the phone. Check who they are or ask a trusted person to check for you.

WEEKLY DONATIONS

If you would like to continue to donate during this time there are several ways you can now do this. For those that do online banking, the quickest and easiest way to donate is to do a one-off bank transfer payment or consider setting up a regular Standing Order.

The parish account details are:

Account Name Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee St John Fisher Perivale

(Please note this has been updated from previous newsletters. Enter as much of the account name as your bank system will allow. It may only be the first few characters of the account name).

Account Number 01095846

Sort Code 40 - 05 - 20

If donating online, it is very important that we can identify you as the donor. In the payment reference please include your name e.g. Paul Smith and if you normally use weekly envelopes also include your envelope number in the reference, e.g. Paul Smith env 301

If you are a UK taxpayer, please Gift Aid your donation. If you have not completed a Gift Aid Declaration Form for our parish before, the quickest and easiest way to Gift Aid is to send an email to giftaid@rcdow.org.uk with the following information:

- The parish name, your title, first name and surname, your address and postcode, the date of your donation or start date of Standing Order and the amount

Also include the following text in your message: **'Please Gift Aid my donations'**

The Diocese Gift Aid office will add your declaration immediately on behalf of our parish, and email you a confirmation.

You can donate by cheque, made payable to 'St John Fisher RC Church' and send it to the parish office (our address is on the front page of this newsletter). If you normally donate using the weekly envelopes please write your envelope number on the back of the cheque or include the envelope with the cheque.

You can now also donate by debit or credit card. Please visit the 'Donate to our Parish' page on the parish website, which has an online form that will enable you to do this.

EALING FOODBANK

The Ealing Foodbank would like to thank everyone who donated items during April. They received 23 tonnes of food and gave out 20 tonnes in 30 days. They fed a total of 2,242 people during the month, which is almost 100% increase on April 2019.

The need for supplies is constant and so they need our continued support. If you can, please add something extra to your basket next time you visit Tesco (Perivale) and donate it to the Ealing Foodbank by placing it in their collection box just before you leave the store.

At the moment they need the following items:

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| Vegetable Curry / Chilli (Tins | Macaroni Cheese / Cheese Ravioli (Tins) |
| Fray Bentos Tinned pies | Tinned Meat (Beef, lamb, chicken, ham) |
| Rice pudding and custard (ready made) | Peanut butter |
| Instant Coffee | Shower Gel |
| Hand Wash/Bars of soap | Size 6 nappies |



Many of you also shop at Sainsbury's (Alperton). They also collect items and these will be distributed by the Brent Foodbank. Both Ealing and Brent Foodbanks belong to a network of nationwide foodbanks supported by the Trussell Trust.