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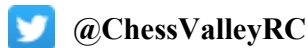
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## 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2016

### SUNDAY THOUGHT

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus asks his disciples, 'who do you say I am?' Peter is the one who correctly identifies him as 'The Christ of God', in contrast to the crowds who see Jesus as Elijah or another prophet from the Old Testament. Jesus immediately clarifies what it means to be 'The Christ of God'. He is someone who is 'destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes and to be put to death, and to be raised up on the third day.' Jesus, the Christ of God, is a Saviour who is prepared to take up his cross.

As we grow in our relationship with Jesus, he continually asks us 'who do you say I am?' It's easy to mould Jesus into the person we want or expect him to be, rather than acknowledging him as he is. Perhaps Jesus remains a distant character in my life, defined more by others rather than discovered in my personal faith, someone I am not yet able to confidently respond to in the example of Peter. If we want an authentic relationship with Jesus, we need to be recognise him as 'The Christ of God', a recognition that insists we are prepared to take up the cross as we follow him. Acknowledging the reality of who Jesus is gives us the power to 'lose our lives', to lay down our lives in the loving service of others for the sake of Jesus Christ. In so doing, we discover that our lives are saved by the one who himself loses his life for the salvation of us all.

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Lord is the strength of his people,  
a saving refuge for the one he has anointed.  
Save your people, Lord, and bless your  
heritage, and govern them for ever.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Zechariah 12:10-11; 13:1

**Response to Psalm:** For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Galatians 3:26-29

**Gospel:** Luke 9:18-24

**Communion Antiphon:** The eyes of all look to you, Lord,  
and you give them their food in due season.

### Next Sunday's Readings

1 Kings 19:16. 19-21; Galatians 5:1. 13-18; Luke 9:51-62 (Gospel)

### SALVE REGINA (HAIL, HOLY QUEEN)

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 valley of tears.  
Turn, then, most gracious Advocate,  
thine eyes of mercy toward us; and  
after this our exile show unto us the  
blessed fruit of thy womb Jesus;  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

### LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

**Rickmansworth:** Envelopes: £426.45; Loose Plate: £295.21; Standing Orders: £510.00 **Total: £1231.66**

**Mill End:** Envelopes: £440.72; Loose Plate: £184.68; Standing Orders: £99.00 **Total: £724.40**

**Chorleywood:** The Offertory collection for the month of April amounted to **£1447.65**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

### TEXT GIVING THROUGH YOUR MOBILE PHONE

Special Gift? Top-Up Offering? For Rickmansworth text: **Parish RICKM** to 70800; For Chorleywood text **Parish CHORL** to 70800; for Mill End text **Parish MILLE** to 70800. It's easy! To make a £5 Donation. It's Easy! Thank You!

## FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

<b>SUN 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>	10.00am 12.00pm 12.30pm	First Communion Breakfast Baptisms SVP Community Lunch	St John Fisher St John the Evangelist St John's School Hall
<b>MON 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>	10.00am - 12.00pm 11.00am 7.00pm 8.00pm	Lets Get Together and Grow - Hall Funeral - Maria Merritt RIP Running Club - meet outside Our Lady's Choir Practice	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist
<b>TUE 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE</b>			
<b>WED 22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE</b>	11.00am	Mass for the Repose of the Soul of David Goble	Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>THU 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE</b>	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>FRI 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>	10.00am 12.00pm	Coffee after Mass for all - Hall Wedding - Watkins /Fran	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>SAT 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE</b>	10.30am - 11.30am 1.00pm 5.30pm	Holy Hour with Benediction and Confessions Wedding - Jones /Carroll Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist

## Mass Times and Intentions this Week

	<b>Our Lady Help of Christians</b>	<b>St John the Evangelist</b>	<b>St John Fisher</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 18 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	<b>10.00am</b> Private Intention	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) For the People of the Parish	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) For the People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> 19 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE <i>12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<b>8.30am</b> Anne Stark (Ints.) <b>11am</b> For the People of the Parish <b>6pm</b> Jean Walsh RIP	<b>10.30am</b> Kathleen Hedges RIP	<b>9am</b> Emma O'Brien RIP
<b>MONDAY</b> 20 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE <i>ST ALBAN, MARTYR</i>	<b>9.30am</b> Michael Gerard Dooley RIP	<b>9.30am</b> Anne Murphy (Ints.)	
<b>TUESDAY</b> 21 <sup>ST</sup> JUNE <i>ST ALOYSIUS GONZAGA, RELIGIOUS</i>	<b>9.30am</b> Anne Murphy		
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 22 <sup>ND</sup> JUNE <i>SS JOHN FISHER, BISHOP &amp; THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS</i>		<b>9.30am</b> John & Mary Gibson RIP	
<b>THURSDAY</b> 23 <sup>RD</sup> JUNE	<b>9.30am</b> Carmen Buhagiar RIP (Anniv.)		
<b>FRIDAY</b> 24 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE <i>THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</i>	<b>9.30am</b> Giorgio & Marcella Mazurkiewicz RIP (Anniv.)		
<b>SATURDAY</b> 25 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE	<b>10.00am</b> For the Sick and Housebound of the Parish	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) Tony Hollis RIP	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) For the People of the Parish
<b>SUNDAY</b> 26 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE <i>13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<b>8.30am</b> Joan Marioni RIP <b>11am</b> Joseph & Jane Netto RIP <b>6pm</b> For the People of the Parish	<b>10.30am</b> For the People of the Parish	<b>9am</b> Joe O'Sullivan RIP

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES

**Our Lady Help of Christians:** Elsie Alexander, Vinny Spiteri, Ruary Chisholm, Kathleen Collins, Wendy Goldsmith, Kathy Wright, John Overend, Monica Clatworthy, Brenda Reynolds, Brian Hunt, Maureen Giles, Olive Cordery, Neville Mathews, Norah MacWilliam, Agnes Harper, Diana Price, Eileen Durkan, Ginny Goodgol, Roshini Alles, Maria Wallis, Peter Ward, Heather Kean, Olive Kiener and Jeannine Simonds

**St John the Evangelist:** Jean Mulderrig; Rita Murray; Joyce Baldwin, Imogen Bailey, Harry Lennon, Seamus Fagan, Betty Page, Joe Donnelly and John Conner.

**St John Fisher:** Nora O'Toole, Francis De Souza, Georgina Kelham, Rita Garrett, Pete Murray, Steve Kibbey, Matthew Leone, Jean-Pierre Roche, Fr Peter Stevens, Angela Hoy, Tony and Pat Finucane, Colin Dowling, Margaret Lamb, Jacob Stern, Thomas Gillies, Kitty Finucane, Susan Maynard and Don Williamson.

## NOTICES FOR ALL THREE PARISHES

### **PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION - 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

Next week there will be a retiring collection for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please give generously.

### **CONFIRMATION AWAY DAY**

As only 6 out of 27 of our newly-confirmed young people have replied to say they are able to attend the away day at St. Edmund's, Ware, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, I have decided to cancel the trip. Apologies and thanks to those who replied saying they would attend. Donations by cheque for the cost of the coach have not been paid in and donations by cash will be returned. *Fr. Mark.*

### **THREE PARISH BARN DANCE - LAST WEEKEND TO SECURE YOUR TICKETS**

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 7:30-11:30pm, St Joan of Arc hall, £15 per adult and £5 per child under 12. Price includes hog roast (or vegetarian alternative). Tickets are on sale after Mass or email your parish coordinator this weekend. We confirm numbers with the caterer on Monday. If you haven't brought your wallet with you but can definitely commit to purchasing a ticket, please still put your name down.

Parish coordinators: St John Fisher - Elaine - [elaineprice@me.com](mailto:elaineprice@me.com); St John the Evangelist - Natalie - [cnlzammit@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cnlzammit@hotmail.co.uk); Our Lady's - Laura - [laura.sharp@live.co.uk](mailto:laura.sharp@live.co.uk). We look forward to hearing from you :-)

### **DAVID GOBLE RIP**

A Mass for the Repose of the Soul of David Goble, husband of Patricia (Paddy), will be held at Our Lady Help of Christians on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 11am**. All friends are welcome to the service and a buffet lunch afterwards.

### **NEWLY REFURBISHED THREE BEDROOM FLAT IN CHORLEYWOOD TO RENT**

The flat above St John Fisher Church in Chorleywood is currently in the midst of being modernised and refurbished. This will be available to rent from mid July. If any parishioner is interested, please contact Siobhan Hoy on 01923 285659 for details.

### **SVP COMMUNITY LUNCH**

The next SVP Community Lunch is this **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June** in St John's School Hall. Dinner is served at **12.30pm** NOT 12 noon as we have previously done. Please do come along and have a meal and befriend our guests. Spread the word. There is no charge but donations are welcome.

### **CHESS VALLEY SVP**

Will be supporting the **Big Mile Walk** in London on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June**. There will be a Sponsorship Form at the back of the church after Mass if you would like to sponsor your local SVP members doing the walk. Money raised will go to SVP National and CSAN (Caritas Social Action Network).

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

In September we will be beginning the RCIA process for those adults who are considering becoming Roman Catholics and for those adult Catholics who, for one reason or another, never received the sacrament of Confirmation and now wish to complete their Christian initiation. Leaflets with information about the RCIA process are available at the back of the church. If you are interested in being a part of the RCIA process please complete the "About You" section on the leaflet and return it to Fr Shaun as soon as possible.

### **DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR READERS AND MINISTERS OF COMMUNION – POSTPONED**

The Day of Recollection has been re-scheduled with the Niland Centre for **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September**. I am delighted to say that Fr John Hemer will be able to join us that day. Please make a note of this date in your diaries. *Fr Shaun*

### **REGISTRATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2017**

In June and July Fr Shaun will be registering children wishing to make their First Communion in 2017. To be eligible children must be in Year 3 or above by September 2016 and attend Mass regularly in one of the three parishes. The expectation is that all children preparing for Holy Communion should already know how to make the sign of the cross and know the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *Glory be*. These prayers should be taught and prayed in the home regularly. Parents may bring their child for registration on the following dates:

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July** – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 5.00pm to 6.00pm

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July** – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 5.00pm to 6.00pm

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July** – St John the Evangelist Hall, Mill End – 10.30am to 11.30am

It is essential that you bring with you to the meeting the child wishing to be prepared for Holy Communion. If your child was baptised somewhere other than Our Lady Help of Christians Rickmansworth, St John Fisher Chorleywood or St John the Evangelist, Mill End you will need to bring with you the child's baptismal certificate. You are welcome to bring your child to whichever of the registration times is best for you. Do not worry if the place of registration is not your usual church for Sunday Mass attendance.

### **PRIMARY AND SECONDARY TRANSFER: September 2017 and the Certificate of Catholic Practice**

If you are new to the parish, have not been issued by us with a Mass Attendance Card, and will be seeking a Certificate of Catholic Practice for a **September 2017** reception or nursery place in a Catholic primary school or a place in a Catholic Secondary school, please speak to Fr Shaun or Fr Mark as soon as possible.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### **PASTORAL APPROACH TO SUICIDE PREVENTION AND COPING WITH GRIEF**

Console, the Suicide Prevention and Bereavement Charity, will present a seminar to be delivered by Sr Kathleen Maguire PBVM, MA CT and Rev Dr Tony Byrne, CSSp on pastoral approaches to preventing suicide and coping with grief on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2016 from 6:30-9:30pm**. The seminar will take place at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London, SW1P 1QN. For more information and bookings, please contact Console either by email at [info@consolecounselling.co.uk](mailto:info@consolecounselling.co.uk) or telephone 020 7821 8865.

## OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS - NOTICES

### SUNDAY COFFEE MORNING

Thank you for your generous donations. We have raised £70.00 which will be donated to the Catholic Worker Farm.

### NEWS FROM BROTHER ANTHONY ARMSTRONG, O.Carm

Brother Anthony Armstrong, a former parishioner here and now a Carmelite friar in USA will be ordained as a deacon in South Central Los Angeles at 2pm PT on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Anthony will be coming home to Rickmansworth, probably in early August, for a full two week trip. Please pray for Br. Anthony as he prepares for ordained ministry.

### MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED – CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for two or three people to join the team. The Sunday count takes place after the 11.00am Mass and takes approximately 30-45 minutes. With a full team you would only have to count every 7-8 weeks.

If you are able to join us, please contact Carol Bartlett on 01923 773841 or e-mail her at carolbart37@gmail.com.

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - NOTICES

### SUNDAY BRUNCH AT ST JOHN'S

Sunday Brunch at St John's (with bacon and sausage rolls) will take place on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June after 10.30am Mass. All proceeds raised will go to Aid to the Church in Need. We hope that you will come and join us!

### ROTAS –READERS, WELCOMERS, OFFERTORY AND MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The new rotas for January, February and March are available now at the back of the church. Please take your copy.

### GROWING IN FAITH –PARISH PROJECT FUNDS RECEIVED

We have now received the second tranche of the *Growing in Faith* parish project funds. This amounts to £2,214. We have already received £5,903 as the first tranche, making a total, so far, of £8,117. This money is being used to offset some of the cost of the recently completed re-ordering of the sanctuary. We are deeply grateful to all those parishioners who are so generously supporting the parish and the diocese through the *Growing in Faith* campaign.

### STAINED GLASS WINDOW – THANKSGIVING BOOK

We will soon begin preparations for the Thanksgiving Book for the new stained glass window. A sheet will be produced for each pane sponsored and parishioners who have sponsored a pane will be able to write down the thanksgiving dedication that they wish to make. These dedications will then be typed up and displayed again so that any changes or corrections can be made before the pages are laminated and the thanksgiving book is produced.

## ST JOHN FISHER - NOTICES

### GROWING IN FAITH –PARISH PROJECT FUNDS RECEIVED

We have now received the first tranche of the *Growing in Faith* Parish Project funds. This amounts to £6,107. This money is being used to offset some of the cost of the recently completed re-ordering of the church. We are deeply grateful to all those parishioners who are so generously supporting the parish and the diocese through the *Growing in Faith* campaign.

### MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE RE-ORDERING OF THE CHURCH

Bishop Paul McAleenan will join us at the 9.00am Mass on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September to celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving for the completion of the work of re-ordering the church. Please make a note in your diaries.

### RE-OPENING OF THE CHURCH

Weekday Masses will not resume until the end of June when the work on the refurbishment of the flat has been completed

### 1<sup>st</sup> COMMUNION BREAKFAST – SUNDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May, seven children of St John Fisher parish received their first Holy Communion in a special Mass at Our Lady's. We made the decision to delay their "1<sup>st</sup> Communion breakfast" until it can be celebrated back in the parish. All the children will attend the 9.00am Mass this Sunday (19<sup>th</sup> June), which will be followed by a celebration for the children in the garden. We hope that you can join us for this special occasion. Assistance is needed to set up the tables and chairs in the garden before Mass; please let Elena McBride know if you can help.

### MISSIO RED BOXES

Please could you bring your boxes to church by this weekend (18/19 June) for the June collection. With thanks.

### DETONATE 2016

Detonate is a Christian Holiday Club run every year by volunteers from the Churches in Chorleywood for local children. It is held at Russell School and will be held from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July. It relies on helpers from across the Christian community to do a wide range of jobs such as running activities, security at the site and being small group helpers. If you would like further information about this amazing event, would like to help, or wish to register your child, please visit the website [www.detonate.org.uk](http://www.detonate.org.uk) or contact Anne Maria Farnsworth ([amfarnsworth@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:amfarnsworth@yahoo.co.uk)). Forms will also be available at church once it re-opens.

### MASS DUTY ROTAS

	Saturday 6.00pm Mass			Sunday 9.00am Mass			
	Welcomer	Reader	MoC	Welcomer	Reader	Communion	Counters
<b>18/19 June</b>	E O'Sullivan	M Foggo	M Latimer	U Lean	J Donohoe	F Holly	Una & Ann
<b>25/26 June</b>	M Foggo	M Fields	E Harris	M Calvert	J Hale	J McEwen	Marguerite & Francis
<b>2/3 July</b>	J Ingham	T Hartney	P Goble	A Opie	H McGrath	J Hale	Carolyn & Patsy
<b>9/10 July</b>	M Fields	S Hoy	C Johnson	J Hale	M Calvert	L Turnbull	Marguerite & Ann
<b>16/17 July</b>	GF	A Roberts	E O'Sullivan	D Treanor	D Treanor	AM Farnsworth	Carolyn & Francis
<b>23/24 July</b>	R Ellis	J Stratton	M Latimer	M Calvert	P Byrne	E Price	Marguerite & Una