



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER



SUN ✝	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Mon 13 Apr	Monday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	For Robert Lavery RIP on his 100th birthday anniversary
Tue 14 Apr	Tuesday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Wed 15 Apr	Wednesday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Thur 16 Apr	Thursday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	For a private intention
Fri 17 Apr	Friday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered Privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Sat 18 Apr	Saturday within the Octave of Easter	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
SUN ✝ 19 Apr	2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	Mass offered privately at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish

Prayer intentions during the pandemic: We pray for all who work in the NHS at this time, for our wonderful doctors, nurses and support staff, for all who are sick in any way, for the elderly & vulnerable and for those who are afraid. For our politicians making difficult decisions and for a compassionate heart for those who don't have to make difficult decisions but who readily criticise. Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for April - Freedom from addiction. We pray that those suffering may be helped and accompanied.

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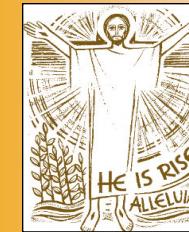
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**ST JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



Sunday 12th April 2020 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

ALLELUIA



HE LIVES - HE IS RISEN

Whilst all public Masses have been suspended
be assured that the Holy Mass is offered at SJF in private,
day by day, for your intentions.

A HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL

DID YOU KNOW? During Easter week (the octave of Easter), even though we are isolated in our homes, every day is an 'Easter Sunday' and therefore a festival day to rejoice in the Resurrection of the Lord. Alleluia!

OBLIGATION FOR EASTER DUTIES REMOVED THIS YEAR: In these extraordinary circumstances of the Covid-19 pandemic when we are unable to gather together to celebrate the great feasts of Holy Week and Easter, Cardinal Vincent explains, that the obligation to our Easter Duties to go to Confession and receive Holy Communion is removed from us. Instead, he says, we can make an Act of Perfect Contrition to express our deep sorrow at our sins against the goodness of God, and leads us in prayer. You can read his full message here: <https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinal/news/cardinal-obligation-to-easter-duties-removed-this-year/>

THANK YOU... for your kind Easter wishes and gifts and cards, which have found their way to the Presbytery letter box. As I approach my second Easter at Shepperton, it is a surreal experience to celebrate the Masses without you. You are greatly missed, but are prayed for everyday. Until the time comes when we can celebrate together again, may the Joy of the Risen Lord bring you hope and peace. Fr Shaun.

MASS INTENTIONS: We can still arrange Mass intentions and have space available at Eastertide. To request a Mass intention, in thanksgiving, for a birthday or a wedding anniversary or for someone who is ill or who has died, please contact Fr Shaun via the office email or telephone.

IT'S GOOD TO TALK: Over the past weeks I have had the opportunity to speak with many parishioners over the telephone. I am gradually working my way through the parish database, but if I haven't got to you yet and you would appreciate the opportunity to chat, do please give me a call me, especially if you are feeling a bit isolated, in any case it would be good to know how you are. Our current database is rather dated and there may be a wrong number or two or you may have moved. The good news moving

forward is that our parish has this past week, joined a Diocesan trial of a new database system, so coming soon we will be able to securely update our church members list. Look out for more details soon.

SJF SAMARITANS: Thank you to all who have joined this new community group helping those who are self isolating or social distancing, to get help, be it with urgent shopping delivery, telephone companionship or support or picking up urgent medicines. If you would like to help, please contact Fr Shaun via email and please include your contact number. If you are in need of any urgent help, please phone Fr Shaun. You might also have heard that *Quality Fruit* amongst other retailers are offering to deliver to the elderly and vulnerable. If you want to place an order you can do so via Jean on: 07764 287595

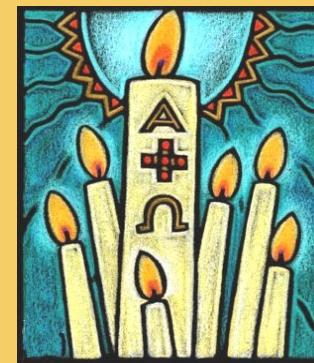
AN UPDATE ON OFFICE ARRANGEMENTS: Nathalie and Traci have joined with other employees across the Diocese in the Furloughing initiative, advertised by the Government. This will protect jobs in the Diocese long term, but it does mean that for the coming weeks, they will no longer be working - even from home. If you have any enquires, Fr Shaun will be able to assist you.

LITTLE CHURCH: Have a look at our microsite and click on the tab '*THINGS TO DO WHILST AT HOME*' <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/Shepperton>

THANK YOU to parishioners who have contacted asking if they can still receive their weekly envelopes. Yes you can, just let us know and we will get them posted out to you. Importantly however, we realise for many who are unable to work, that this is a difficult time and church contributions are increasingly difficult. Please know that the care of your family comes first and whatever you would like to offer afterwards, when the time is right, will be a welcome gift.

MANNA FOOD BANK: Donations to food banks have dropped significantly. This is also the case for our local foodbank, Manna. Current shortages in particular are tinned and other long-life products and toiletries. You can make donations to boxes at: Sainsbury's in Shepperton; Sainsbury's on The Causeway in Staines; Barclays Bank on Staines High Street and Laleham Village

Shop/Laleham Food & Wine/Best One in Laleham. If you consider a donation too large to drop off contact Murray Ransom from Manna directly on 07768 585 711 Thank you.



A RENEWAL OF
OUR BAPTISMAL
PROMISES
WHILST AT
HOME,
FOR YOU AND
THE FAMILY:

✠In the name of the Fr...

Brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

Do you renounce Satan?

All: I do

And all his works?

All: I do

And all his empty show?

All: I do

Do you believe in God the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth?

All: I do

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?

All: I do.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

All: I do.

May almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life.

All : Amen.

RECENTLY DEPARTED

David Bentall

ANNIVERSARIES THIS APRIL

Margaret Ward, Maurice Ward, Leila Waterhouse, Edward Reilly, Christopher Romer, Winifred Smith, Maureen Keady, William Walsh, Ted Jones, Anna Semkowicz-Holt, Cecilia Grose

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord

