



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



SUN ☒ 03 May	4th Sunday of Easter	Mass offered privately	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Mon 04 May	Easter feria	No Mass today	
Tue 05 May	Easter feria	Mass offered privately	Mary Mullahey RIP
Wed 06 May	Easter feria	Mass offered privately	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Thur 07 May	Easter feria	Mass offered privately	For the National Health Service and all who work within it
Fri 08 May	Easter feria	Mass offered Privately	Pro Populo - for the people of the parish
Sat 09 May	Easter feria	Mass offered privately	For all who are critically ill at this time
SUN ☒ 10 May	5th Sunday of Easter	Mass offered privately	Maureen Bernardinis RIP 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 feel 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 May. For Deacons: We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

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**ST JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



Sunday 3rd May 2020

**4TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER**



**HOLY MASS
THIS SUNDAY
CHRIST THE GOOD
SHEPHERD
BRINGS US LIFE**

First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41*
Peter and the other apostles baptize 3,000 people.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 23:1-6*
The Lord is my shepherd.

Second Reading: *1 Peter 2:20b-25*
We have been healed by the wounds of Christ.

Gospel Reading: *John 10:1-10*
Jesus is the gate for his sheep.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The Resurrection became the confirmation of his victory; the victory of the love of the Good Shepherd who says: 'follow me.'

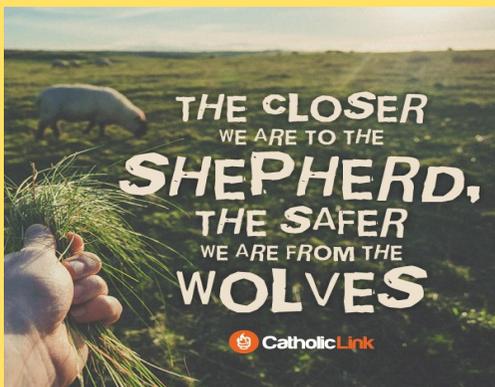
Pope Saint John Paul II

**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.**

THIS SUNDAY IS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY, the day when we pray for our seminarians and encourage other men to consider the call to the priesthood. The seminaries, Allen Hall, the Venerable English College and the Beda College in Rome, where future Westminster priests are in formation, are physically closed. Nevertheless, prayer continues in the life of seminarians and staff, and they are able to participate in streamed liturgies. All have on-line lectures, regular conversations with formation staff and spiritual direction. Our seminarians are praying for an end to the pandemic, for the priests serving in the parishes and hospitals, the heroic healthcare staff and care workers, and all who are suffering from this virus. While the present reality lacks the community dimension of formation and the important common liturgical life, their studies and preparation for priesthood continue. Please pray for the seminarians and those discerning God's call at this time. May they model through their actions and words, the example of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, who came to serve and not to be served.

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.

PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD AROUND that we are producing this *On Line* newsletter each week. It might be just the link that some parishioners need, to help to keep them in the loop and up to date.



MAGNIFICAT PRAYER RESOURCE. During this challenging time, the publishers of Magnificat are offering complimentary access to the online version of the resource to help people pray at home. Magnificat contains the readings for Sunday and daily Mass, together with simplified versions of morning and evening prayer, as well as reflections and meditations. The online version of Magnificat can be accessed at: <https://us.magnificat.net/home>

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY and the image of our Blessed Lady, in church, has been crowned as usual. The Rosary will be live streamed each day at 5.00pm throughout the month of May, from Westminster Cathedral for all of our intentions and for an end to the coronavirus. To join in this special devotion, go to the Cathedral website: www.westminstercathedral.org.uk May Our Lady of Victories, pray for us.

BISHOPS TO LIVE-STREAM THURSDAY MASSES DURING PANDEMIC: The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales recognise that this time of the pandemic is affecting every person in our country and beyond. Those who are sick, and their families, are suffering many hardships of isolation from contact with those they love. Our front-line workers in hospitals and in care homes all over our lands are giving exceptional service to those who are vulnerable at this time.

To show a spiritual solidarity with all those who are involved, each week on Thursday, a Catholic Bishop will celebrate Mass in their Cathedral which will be live-streamed for people to join. This will take place every Thursday at 7.00pm.

7th May: Bishop Marcus Stock, [Leeds Cathedral](#)

14th May: Bishop Robert Byrne, [Newcastle Cathedral](#)

21st May: Bishop Mark Davies, [Shrewsbury Cathedral](#)

28th May: Bishop Terence Drainey, [Middlesbrough Cathedral](#)

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.

LITTLE CHURCH: Have a look at our microsite and click on the tab 'THINGS TO DO WHILST AT HOME'

THANKS FOR THINKING OF US: Some parishioners have made requests recently for their new weekly envelopes, which can be posted out and others have asked to move over to a Standing Order with the bank so they can keep their gift offering to our church going.

Importantly however, we realise for many who are unable to work, that this is a difficult time and church contributions are difficult. Please know that the care of your family comes first and whatever you would like to offer now or afterwards, when the time is right, will be a welcome gift. If you are wanting to help us now, the Diocese have just updated our Donate Page on our microsite:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/Shepperton/donate>

This page offers various ways to help us to keep on paying our bills. Many thanks for your help.

CARDINAL'S MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY in Westminster Cathedral, has been cancelled for the time being. We will update with a new date, when available.

CAFOD has launched its coronavirus emergency. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water and healthcare are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest and most marginalised communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our church, you can donate as individuals at cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal Thank you.

RECENTLY DEPARTED
Tom Tranter, Mary Mullahey
Margaret Ward, Gerry Firth

ANNIVERSARIES THIS MAY
Fr John O'Sullivan, Ella Mary Butterworth, Elsie Curley, Peter Johnson, Alice (Nita) Manning, Mollie Pugh, Jeanne Diekmann, Joe D'Souza, Tom Ray, David Weathers, Bartley Keady, Dorothy Price, Linzi Geddes, Joan King, Daphne Dodd, Kitty Brett, Terry Quinn

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord

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SHEEPFOLD	THIEF	BRIGAND
SHEPHERD	FLOCK	GATEKEEPER
STRANGER	PARABLE	PASTURE
STEAL	KILL	LIFE