



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



<b>Sun ✕ 19 July</b>	<b>16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Cecil Rowntree RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Nechama Argent RIP
<b>Mon 20 July</b>	Feria	No Mass today	
<b>Tue 21 July</b>	Feria	9.30am	Denis Schaefer RIP
<b>Wed 22 July</b>	ST MARY MAGDALENE	9.30am	Fr Frederick Jackson RIP
<b>Thur 23 July</b>	ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN Patron of Europe	9.30am	For William Lavery
<b>Fri 24 July</b>	Feria	9.30am	Nerea Whitmore RIP (at the age of 11 yrs)
<b>Sat 25 July</b>	ST JAMES Apostle	10.00am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
<b>Sun ✕ 26 July</b>	<b>17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Mary Mullahey RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish

**Holy Rosary Prayers:** currently offered in private.

**Exposition and Benediction (Eucharistic Adoration):** currently suspended.

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation:** For the time being, please arrange this directly with Fr Shaun, for practical reasons, confessions cannot be heard before Mass at this time.

**Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for July:** Our Families: We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance. Amen

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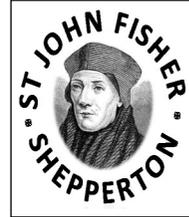
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**Charity No: 233699**



**Sunday 19th July 2020  
16th SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday cycle  
Readings Year A  
Weekday readings  
Week 16 -YR 2  
Divine Office  
Psalter Week 4



**HOLY MASS  
THIS SUNDAY**  
Let them both  
grow till the  
harvest

**ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

There is no room in a good field for weeds and rubbish: so in the Kingdom of Heaven, there is no room for all things that provoke offences, and all who do evil. They must go, for the sake of the good wheat, for the sake of the good subjects of the kingdom.

But this weeding out will not take place until harvest time - in case one piece of good wheat is destroyed with the weeds. This shows the mercy of God: everyone has chance after chance to prove that they are wheat, not darnel; there are no quick judgements in the kingdom of heaven, and things are never as black and white as we think.

Only at the end of time will evil stand out clearly, so that it can be disposed of, and only the Son of Man can judge.



### SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**"Patience is the companion of wisdom"**

St Augustine of Hippo

**WE ARE OPEN FOR MASS** ... it is good to report that our numbers are increasing week on week, even though the obligation to attend the Holy Mass on a Sunday has been lifted for the duration of the pandemic. If you feel uncomfortable about coming to Mass on a Sunday, why not try attending Mass during the weekday? All Masses attended in person have equal value, so come when you feel, we will be glad to see you again.

This week we will continue to follow the two metre rule, but from next week we will move to one metre plus, so that we can seat more people.

Face coverings from next week will be required (with exemptions, as in shops). Everyone is asked to use the hand gel on the way in and out. There is a one way system operating in the church, the Exit leads into the car park. Stewards will assist you if you need help. It is really important that you sit in the spaces indicated with a tick ✓ There are seats for couples to sit together on the centre aisle but we ask that if you are attending alone, please sit on the side nearest the windows; otherwise we lose valuable seat space. Families who live together or who 'share a bubble' can sit on any unoccupied bench together, anywhere in the church.

Just so you know what to expect, the Mass time is reduced to about 30 minutes, which is perhaps less time than we spend in the supermarket or in visiting a pub. The second reading on a Sunday, the Intercessions, the Creed and the sharing of the peace are all omitted. The offertory collection is also suspended, but a green offertory bucket to collect your weekly offering and envelopes will be on the altar rail by the new Exit door - Thank you for your support. If you are lighting votive candles please use the hand sanitiser before and after using the shared tapers. Single use Newsletters and Mass sheets are available at the church entrance.

The seating capacity in the church is currently **36** with additional space for families sitting together on a bench. We can only admit into the church those who arrive first of all. Once the spaces are full we will not be permitted to admit anyone else, but we hope to increase this number safely from next week onward and with the use of face coverings.

**CONFESSION?** For the time being, please arrange this directly with Fr Shaun. For practical reasons this cannot be before Mass. When you do come to make your confession, please be brief and to the point. You will be asked to say your penance outside the church or on the way home.

**OPEN EVENTS – ST PAUL’S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY** For admission to Year 7 in 2021 – Thursday 24th September 2020  
For admission to St Paul’s Sixth Form in 2021 – Wednesday 30th September 2020  
Further information to follow.

**THE GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK** is both Catholic and Pro Life and offers women support during an unplanned and/or crisis pregnancy, regardless of beliefs, nationality or legal status. During the pandemic the number of abortions in the UK has increased dramatically. Help and support is available at: [www.goodcounselnetwork.com](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.com) or on 020 7723 1740 A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR LIFE is on Friday 14th August. Catholics believe that every life matters - and not least the baby in the womb, so please pray on the 14th for an end to abortion and for the lives and souls of all affected.

**ALL YOUR OFFERINGS ADD UP!** Thank you to all those who are bringing in their weekly offertory envelopes saved up over the past months and to others who have moved over to a Standing Order, for their offering to the church. The earlier difficulties in setting up a Standing Order have been ironed out. Our correct church bank account name is: **WRCDT Shepperton** (Westminster Roman Catholic Diocese Trustee) Whatever way you make an offering to the Church, it all counts and will be enormously helpful in this fallow time, thank you. Importantly however, we realise that this is also a very challenging period for many and church contributions might be difficult at this time. If you are in a position to help us now, you can use the Donate Page on our microsite: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/Shepperton/donate> Coming soon... SJF will have our own *Virgin Money Giving* page. More news on that next week.

**HALL BOOKINGS:** Sorry... we have no start date as yet regarding the resumption of meetings for hall groups. This includes resumption of catechetical

programmes for First Holy Communion and for Holy Confirmation.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD** ... and pays tribute to the blood our Lord shed for us in his Passion and offered to us in the Eucharist for our salvation. This is a great reminder to us that the Host we consume at Mass is indeed the body, blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ and how joyous it is that we can receive this wonderful Sacrament in our church again.

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED**  
Fr Fredrick Jackson, Bernadette Pepper

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS JULY**  
Mary Ohlson, Joan Blues, Pam Hoghton, Kitty Bale, Louise Heath (Pepper), Dermot Rhatigan, Mary Fletcher, Edward Fletcher, Peggy Rhatigan, Thomas Schwartz (von Megyesi), Joseph Reynolds, Bob Keating, Grace Ekkel

**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**



The poster features a background image of a church spire. At the top left is the Westminster Lourdes logo, a red circle with 'WESTMINSTER' at the top, 'N.D. LOURDES' at the bottom, and 'FAX' in the center. The main title is 'Westminster Diocese Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage 2020 Programme of events'. Below this is a list of events from Sunday 26th July to Saturday 1st August. At the bottom, it says 'Join us online:' followed by the URL <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/pilgrimages/>. The footer includes the Diocese of Westminster Pilgrimage Office logo and contact information: Vaughan House | 46 Francis Street | London SW1P 1QN Tel: 0207 798 9173 Registered Charity No. 233699 - Website: [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk)

**Westminster Diocese Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage 2020 Programme of events**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July:** Invitation to Pilgrimage  
Opening Mass

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July:** Penitential service

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July:** Rosary  
Marian Torchlight Procession

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July:** International Mass

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July:** Blessed Sacrament Procession  
Blessing of the Sick

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July:** Stations of the Cross

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August:** Closing Mass and Ceremony and lighting of the 2020 Diocesan Candle

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