



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



Sun 11 Oct	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Brian Rhoades RIP Patrick Farrell RIP
Mon 12 Oct	Feria	No Mass	
Tue 13 Oct	ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR Patron of the Diocese	9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Wed 14 Oct	Feria	9.30am	Fatima Gurjao and family
Thur 15 Oct	St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor	9.30am	For religious communities and vocations to those communities
Fri 16 Oct	Feria	9.30am	Mgr. Boxler RIP
Sat 17 Oct	St Ignatius of Antioch Bishop & Martyr	10.00am	Jonathan Lynch RIP (anniversary)
Sun 18 Oct	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Theresa Gerou Rip Marie Rushe RIP

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 October: Evangelisation– The Laity's Mission in the Church :
We pray that by the virtue of Holy Baptism , the laity, especially women, may participate more in
Areas of responsibility in the Church

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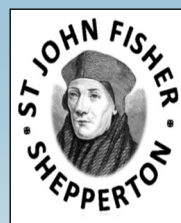
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Sunday 11th October 2020
28th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday cycle
Readings Year A
Weekday readings
Week 28 -YR 2
Divine Office
Psalter Week 4



**HOLY MASS
THIS SUNDAY**

“Invite everyone
you can find
to the wedding”

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
OF ST JOHN FISHER**

The Church's year is drawing to a close: in a few weeks we will be thinking very clearly about the end of time - but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'Just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to Church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready for it? Or will our thoughts be on the other things of life? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and today points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; our hope is that the same parable is not addressed to us.

Thank you for wearing your face covering in church



HM Government



WASH HANDS



COVER FACE



MAKE SPACE

Keep on protecting each other

NHS

WELCOME to the Holy Mass today. This news sheet gives you some information for the week ahead. Please take it home with you for reference. There are also weekly sheets available for children called 'LOOK' to take away. To keep us Covid Secure, we are not permitted to reuse Newsletters or Mass sheets, so please do not leave them in church after you have attended Mass. Have a great week ahead.

CHECKING IN WITH NHS TRACK AND TRACE: you can now use the NHS phone App to check-in when entering the church. Just scan the QR Code with your mobile phone or simply give your name and contact number to one of the door stewards. Your written down details will be held by us in accordance with general data protection regulations and shredded after 21 days.



RETURNING AFTER LOCKDOWN? The Holy Mass is much shorter than usual, without singing. The second reading on a Sunday, the Intercessions and the sharing of the peace are omitted. The offertory collection is suspended, but a green offertory bucket for your weekly offering and envelopes is on the altar rail as you leave - Thank you for your support. When lighting votive candles please use the sanitiser before and after using the tapers. Single use Newsletters and Mass sheets are available, but please take them home with you when you leave. Thank you for using the one way system — this applies to everyone in church, wherever you sit. If you can use the benches at the front of the church first - this helps others to see where space is available more quickly. If seats are available in the middle of the bench, please use these first, this avoids blocking a row. Families who live together can sit on any unoccupied bench together. Face coverings are compulsory in church, unless you are exempt. Please put your face covering on before you enter the building, this is for the protection of others as well as yourself. When queuing to receive Holy Communion (or a blessing), please keep the 1 metre distance between you and the person in front of you. We are glad to have you back with us.

CONGRATULATIONS to Baby Yenara Lieaan who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on Saturday. Please pray for her and for her family.

HOLY HARDWARE: in aid of the Lourdes Fund, we are selling home made quince jam for £2 and red washable face coverings at £5.

SINCE REOPENING ... we have been pleased to welcome a small faithful number of parishioners from the local Anglican church (C of E). Whilst they await the reopening of their own churches they have been making their spiritual communion with us. A warm welcome to you all.

OCTOBER is the month of the Holy Rosary. Our public recitation of the Rosary is suspended, but we encourage you to pray the Rosary in your home with a particular intention for an end to the pandemic and the suffering of all affected. May Our Lady of Sorrows intercede for us.

HELP PROTECT BABIES WITH CLEFT LIP, CLEFT PALATE AND CLUB FOOT: In the UK, right up to birth, babies with a cleft lip or cleft palate or a club foot are being aborted simply because they have these conditions, all of which can be corrected. Promisingly, a cross-party group of MPs from the three largest parties in the UK Parliament have come together to bring forward the Abortion (Cleft lip, cleft palate and club foot) Bill. The Bill will change the law to clarify that cleft palate, cleft lip, and club foot are not grounds for abortion in the UK. Can you help with getting your MP to support the Bill? Please visit www.standupandsmile.org.uk to email your MP asking them to support the Bill. It only takes 30 seconds to complete. Just 30 seconds to save a life. Your reading this notice and taking action could mean the difference between life and death. Please ask your MP to support this Bill.

THE BIBLE TIME LINE: Jeff Cavins' course is presented live-streamed by Mauro Iannicelli from Wed 4th November at 7.00pm (for 7 sessions). The course is FREE. Introductory Session: 15th Oct 7-7:45pm. Register at: Catadmin@rcdow.org.uk Information: www.comeandsee.org

SERVICES IN CHURCH: The most recent guidance from the Government and Diocese re: life cycle ceremonies, limit people attending weddings in

church to a maximum of 15. Funerals are limited to a maximum of 30 people (but the rule of six applies to funeral wakes/Receptions afterward). Those attending Holy Baptism are limited to a maximum of 6. These numbers do not include those working in the church, i.e. the Priest, Sacristan and Stewards.

VOTIVE CANDLES: Please help us by putting your candle donations into the candle money box in the wall, rather than in the green bucket, which is for your weekly offertory, in thanks giving to God. Many thanks

SEWING BEES: we need your help to make some simple rectangular (Lavabo) cotton cloths for use on the altar during Mass. If you also happen to have an embroidery gadget on your sewing machine to embroider a simple cross - even better. Ordinarily these are very expensive to buy, so your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Fr Shaun or Daphne our Sacristan.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Our children who have been waiting so long for their delayed First Holy Communion resume their preparation this month, in time for their special Mass on Saturday morning, 7th November. Parents have been emailed this past week with details. If you have not received my email please check your junk files. We are not registering children for FHC next year, for the time being. Fr Shaun

HOLY DUSTERS The new church cleaners' rota is out for those involved. It's available at the back of church with your name on it. Please pick up your copy. Thank you to Judith for organising this and to all our voluntary cleaners.

NOVEMBER - THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS In life we pray for our loved ones, in death we pray for the repose (the resting) of their souls. During the whole of November, we will remember the faithful departed in our families and amongst our friends. There will be the **BLESSING OF THE GRAVES** at Sunbury Cemetery on Sunday 8th November at 12.00noon. All Souls lists will be available soon. There will also be an opportunity to buy a seven day memorial candle to add the names of your loved ones. These will burn in church from All Souls day onward. Full details will be available next week.

RECRUITMENT: St Richard Reynolds are recruiting for an outstanding English teacher from December 2020 / January 2021 (maternity cover). Please contact recruitment@srcc.org.uk for more details

YOU'VE BEEN COUNTED: We're in the last of four weeks of the national annual Mass count, at all weekend Masses in every Catholic church. The figures are sent to the Diocese and collated by the Vatican to give a world wide count of practising Catholics.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS: A Certificate of Catholic Practice, confirms that you are practising your faith. A certificate can only be issued if there is evidence of this practice i.e. regular attendance at Mass, prior to the lockdown. A Baptismal certificate will also be required when making your request. Important guidance can be found here: <https://education.rcdow.org.uk/governance-admissions/admissions-guidance/>

IT IS A BEAUTIFUL GIFT to request a Mass intention on a specific date for Mass to be offered for a loved one, for a birthday, a wedding anniversary or for someone who is ill or who has died. Mass cards are available from the repository stall for all occasions. Please see Fr Shaun to request your Mass. The suggested diocesan Mass offering (stipend) is £10 or whatever you can afford. Your offering will help enormously in supporting the mission of our church.

IF YOU ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL please ask staff to register you as Roman Catholic on your records. Current restrictions mean that parish clergy are not permitted to visit but the Catholic hospital chaplain will see you if requested.

APOLOGIES: our toilets and church hall remain closed.

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

John Whitehead, Theresa Gerou

ANNIVERSARIES THIS OCTOBER:

Frank Nagle, Peter King, Christopher Moran,
Kitty Burden, Stella Loftus, Peter Willson,
Anna Casey Clarke, Michael Hennessey,
John Broadhurst, Suzannah Spiller, John Brett,
Jacqueline Restel, Philip Bunce, Patrick Farrell,
Ian Mitchell, Joyce Tracey

ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD