

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



Sun 丞 08 Nov	32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY Church open 9.30-10.30am	Mass offered privately	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Margery Owen RIP For the war dead - military & civilian
Mon 09 Nov	THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	No Mass Today	
Tue 10 Nov	St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor	Mass offered privately	Deceased members of the O'Malley Family
Wed 11 Nov	St Martin of Tours, Bishop Church open 9.30-10.30am	Mass offered privately	Ali Ibrahim RIP
Thur 12 Nov	St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr	Mass offered privately	Martin and Nora Jennings RIP & Baby Alanna Hughes RIP
Fri 13 Nov	Feria Church open 9.30-10.30am	Mass offered privately	Germano Fernandes RIP
Sat 14 Nov	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday	Mass offered privately	John Colin Parry RIP
Sun 丞 15 Nov	33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Church open 9.30-10.30am	Mass offered privately	Tom & Mary Cahill 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. Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for November: Regarding Artificial Intelligence: We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

### **MAKING CONTACT AT ST JOHN FISHER**

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# **Sunday 8th November 2020** 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Remembrance Sunday

Sunday cycle Readings Year A Weekday readings

Week 32 -YR 2

**Divine Office** Psalter Week 4

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### **HOLY MASS** THIS SUNDAY

The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.

Watch early for wisdom: wise words, and ones that the foolish bridesmaids of the Gospel should have taken to heart. This is the ultimate in putting off till tomorrow..., since the reading is about the end of time, when the Son of Man will come again. Then there will be no tomorrow. If a thing is worth doing, it's worth doing today. Quite often we contemplate the end of time with anxiety and fear: this is not what God wants. Look at the Psalm, where we hear of desperate longing, a thirst for the Lord, that cannot wait. We should not just wait for the Lord with patient endurance, but with impatient longing: what could we desire more than the coming of the Lord, the rising of the dead and an eternity of joy and glory?

Thank you for wearing your face covering



ATHOLI







Keep on protecting each other

Sadly, public Masses and liturgies have been suspended. Be assured that the Holy Mass will be offered at SJF in private, day by day, for your intentions

**SOME GOOD NEWS - CONGRATULATIONS** to all our children who received their First Holy Communion on Tuesday evening last week. It was a rush to organise before the restrictions came into force, but it all came together, Jean, Pir and Carole decorated the ends of the pews and



flowers. Daphne prepared the Altar for the Holy Mass, and Jim and Bernard stepped in to steward. The children, after a long wait and having completed their

classes and preparations, gathered together in the evening for their beautiful Mass. All dressed up, they looked wonderful. Congratulations go to: James, Leo, Leticia, Orlando, Rosie and Sydney. May the Lord continue to bless them as they continue on their journey of faith. Thank you to all involved for your efforts.

FOR THE COMING WEEK: Although the Church nationally is closed for public worship, we are permitted to open for private prayer. On Wednesday, Friday and Sunday we shall open for an hour 9.30-10.30am. Thank you to our door stewards whose support will enable us to open at these times.

FURLOUGHED AGAIN: As England is now under further restrictions, both Nathalie, our church Administrator and Traci, our Book Keeper, are again back on furlough. This will enable us, with financial support from our government, to keep them on the payroll. If you happen to email the office or leave a message, please be patient if a response is not immediately forthcoming.

THIS WEEKEND IS REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: A poppy remembrance wreath will be laid at the War Memorial in Shepperton on behalf of our church on Sunday. You can support the tremendous work of the Royal British Legion and the POPPY IN THE POST appeal here:

https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ ways-to-give/donate

THE ANNUAL PUBLIC BLESSING OF GRAVES will sadly not take place this year due to on going restrictions. However you can still visit graves privately. I will be going to the cemetery next week to bless the graves privately. Fr Shaun

**HOLY HARDWEAR:** The Repository is still open if you happen to come to the church for your private prayers. We have Advent calendars for £1.50, Christmas Rosary bracelets and beads for added extra candles and £2.50, Christmas gift bags, 6 for £5 and porcelain angels for £4 We also have cards, candles, marmalade and chutney.

> LISTS OF THE DEPARTED: If you have a list of names of departed members of your family and friends, and would like them to be remembered at the Holy Mass, you can send them in via post, email or through the letterbox and we'll ensure they are added to the basket in front of the altar during the month of November.

> THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS FUND COLLECTION: Ordinarily we would have the collection this weekend, honouring the lives of service of our sick and retired clergy. If you are calling in to the church for private prayer, there will be a collection bucket to leave envelopes and donations or you can kindly donate online at

> > Thank you.

www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHOM WE ARE NOT REACHING? Maybe an elderly person who lives alone and does not have the internet? Someone who is shielding with little family support who cannot get to Mass? Someone whom we can simply call to keep in touch? Please do get in touch with us if you feel there is someone who needs support. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS CARD EARLY BIRDS: Firstly, the general Post Office are selling Christmas stamps based on stained glass nativity scenes; just ask for them when you buy. Secondly, with current restrictions, we will not have a Christmas card box at the back of church this year. Please, therefore do not bring in cards to leave for other parishioners. Thank you for your understanding.

encouraging us all to join with other Christians at 6.00pm each evening to pray for our nation, and for an end to the pandemic. Evening Prayer, the praying of the Angelus, or simply the Lord's Prayer would be a good place to begin.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS:** A Certificate of Thank you to all who have responded thus far. 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/governanceadmissions/admissions-guidance/

CHECKING IN WITH NHS TRACK AND TRACE: you can use the NHS phone App to check-in, just open the app, press 'venue check in' and scan the QR Code with your mobile phone. Or give your name and contact number to one of the door stewards. Thank you for supporting us in this way.

### AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus.

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things. and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally. come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

SIX O' CLOCK PRAYERS: Cardinal Vincent is APOLOGIES: our toilets and hall remain closed at this time. Thank you for your understanding.

> CAN YOU CONSIDER a Standing Order to help support SJF? Forms are available in church and also online at: https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/ shepperton/standing-order-forms/

**RECRUITMENT OPPORTUNITIES: Right To Life UK** is a charitable organisation focused on life issues. They protect and defend the right to life of every human being from conception to natural death. They are recruiting for full time workers in Westminster in education, media, public affairs, digital and operations. You can see the vacancies here: https://righttolife.org.uk/jobs/

PLEASE SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS that we are producing this 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. If you would like to receive this newsletter directly into your email box, as soon as it is available, simply email us at: shepperton@rcdow.org.uk In the subject box just write 'EMAIL NEWSLETTER' and we'll do the rest.

### PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

### **ANNIVERSARIES THIS NOVEMBER**

Reginald Atfield, Kathleen Homewood, Dennis Turner, Christina Salt, Winifred Ray, Janet Parsons, Maureen Bernardinis, MaryAnge Pepper, Kieran O'Sullivan, Richard Caplis, Brian Hayes, Bridget Keating, Mary Weathers, Caroline Pegley,

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FIVE BRIDEGROOM SENSIBLE WEDDING DOOR

**FOOLISH** OIL

