



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



Sun ☒ 21 Feb	1ST SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm (Sat Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am <i>and online</i>	Terry White RIP For Julie Reidy RIP Cajaton D'Souza RIP
Mon 22 Feb	THE CHAIR OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE	<i>No Mass at SJF - Fr Shaun off duty</i>	
Tues 23 Feb	Lent Feria	<i>Mass Online streaming only at 9.30am</i>	For baby Kim who is very poorly
Wed 24 Feb	Lent Feria Requiem	Mass 9.30am <i>and online</i> 1.00pm	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Funeral for Joseph Fox-Tranter RIP
Thur 25 Feb	Lent Feria	<i>Mass Online streaming only at 9.30am</i>	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Fri 26 Feb	Lent Feria (Family Fast Day. Consider an offering to CAFOD)	<i>Mass Online streaming only at 9.30am</i>	In thanksgiving for the work of the NHS
Sat 27 Feb	Lent Feria	<i>Mass Online streaming only at 10.00am</i>	For all who are shielding at home and for those feeling isolated
Sun ☒ 28 Feb	2ND SUNDAY OF LENT	6.00pm (Sat Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am <i>and online</i>	Susan Sharpe RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Eileen & Jim McKeogh - in celebration - 40th wedding anniversary

Holy Rosary Prayers: currently offered in private. **Eucharistic Adoration:** currently suspended.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation: For the time being, please arrange this directly with Fr Shaun.

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Sunday 21st February 2021

**1ST SUNDAY
OF LENT**

Sunday cycle
Readings Year B
Weekday readings
Lent - Week 1
Divine Office
Psalter Week 1



**HOLY MASS
THIS SUNDAY**

Jesus was tempted by
Satan, and the angels
looked after him

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
OF ST JOHN FISHER**

We begin our Lenten journey at the decisive moment of the flood, when God establishes his first Covenant with man, in the person of Noah. Noah was saved from the waters, while we (as Saint Peter points out) are saved by the waters of Holy Baptism. This is the Covenant we live in, thanks to Christ, who came to establish this “new and eternal Covenant in his blood”. He is the only one who can do this, because he is without sin, despite “having been tempted in every way that we are”.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Lent is not just about what we give up,

It's about who we become!

anonymous

EVEN AFTER VACCINATION



WASH HANDS



COVER FACE



MAKE SPACE



brilliant - thank you, but a reminder, if your child is 11 years old or over, a face covering must be worn in the church. Thank you.

SHARE THE GOOD NEWS - WE ARE LIVE: You can now pray the Mass on line via this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3GaZfMCYH_QOMndxN91BhA or just go to **You Tube** and type St John Fisher Shepperton into the search area. The picture is good but we are still ironing out sound quality issues. Masses are at the usual times, but you can also view them later, if the time is not convenient for you.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION (For those not able to receive Holy Communion)
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

THE FUNERAL MASS FOR JOSEPH FOX-TRANTER takes place at SJF this coming Wednesday 24th Feb. Covid restrictions only permit up to 30 mourners. If you are hoping to attend, please contact the family directly.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2021
Cardinal Vincent thanks you for your generous support for the Cardinal's Lenten Appeal, especially throughout the unprecedented events of 2020/21. This year, during Lent, the Cardinal is asking us to think about families who are struggling to put food on the table. Poverty is deepening across our Diocese and the need for foodbanks and supermarket vouchers has accelerated. Through your generosity we're continuing to provide food for those people most in need. Please take a donation envelope. You can, for ease, scan this QR code with your phone camera to make your donation directly.



LOCAL FOOD BANKS:
Jubilee Centre Foodbank on Manygate Lane receives donations 9.00am-4.00pm. There is also a donation box in the porch if closed. If you live close to parishioner Sally Dick, she has a

collection box to drop off food.

Manna Food Bank which serves the whole of Spelthorne, has a collection box in Sainsbury's in Shepperton and the Village Shop in Laleham. See more drop off points here: <https://www.mannafoodbank.co.uk>

FOOD BANK BOX: to make it easy to help out, from next week SJF will have a Food Bank box permanently situated in the church entrance porch. Parishioners will be able to deposit dried and tinned food donations when coming to Mass, and we'll ensure these get to our local food banks for distribution. Thank you for checking that your donations are 'in date' before you drop them off. Thank you for helping those in need in our area.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH: A St Joseph Novena - 11th-18th March. A diocesan resource from the Agency for Evangelisation and Caritas. Go to: <https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/evangelisation/st-joseph-novena/>

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A DAILY PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

given to us by Pope Francis for this Year of St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

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STAFFING: Both Nathalie in the office and Traci, having completed the end of year accounts, are on Furlough.

MANY THANKS to our volunteer door stewards, who continue to check parishioners into the church, clean benches, kneelers, tables and doors, after every Mass, totalling many hours.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL: Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at: <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-CAFOD/Lent-Appeal>

WANT TO HELP THE NHS & THE VACCINATION PROGRAMME? If you would like to be considered go to: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/join-the-nhs-covid-19-vaccine-team/>

THE BRIDGE on Squires Bridge Road is under repair and the road at that point is closed for another 6 weeks. If you are trying to get to Mass on time and via this route, you might need to allow for the diversion.

FROM THIS WEEK: if you make your weekly offering using the new card reader, for your convenience, the reader is newly sited on the wall, in the entrance area of the church. The green collection bucket for cash offerings and envelopes will remain by the car park exit for the time being. Whatever way you support SJF - in your giving, thank you.

SPONSORING: The response from parishioners wishing to sponsor the Blessed Sacrament lamp, by the Holy Tabernacle, has been excellent. If you would like to sponsor for your intentions, the cost is £5 for the whole week. Sponsorship helps towards the costs of sanctuary candles, thank you. Contact the office by email or telephone to book.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

is sponsored anonymously this week for all scientists who work in medical research, including creating new vaccines.

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Joseph Fox-Tranter, Julie Reidy,
Joachim Dos Santos Cavalheiro,
Joao Rodrigues Teixeira,
Nora O'Donnell, Reg Day, Lorna Troop
(and for all who have died
as a result of the pandemic)

ANNIVERSARIES THIS FEBRUARY

Samuel William Elliott, Canon George Groves,
Peter Madyslam, Sarah Sharratt, Fr Michael
Goarke, Mary Pitfield, Fr Ron Aylward,
Bernard Bunce, Nora Harris,
Raymond Restel, Anne Quinn, Terry Sharratt,
Brenda Jones, Patrick Harris, Barbara Hughes,
Stephen Marriage.

ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD