



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



All Masses are now public and are also streamed online via *YouTube*: St John Fisher Shepperton

Sun ☒ 11 Apr	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>  FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY	<b>6.00pm (Sat Vigil)</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	For Patricia Morrison's Intentions For Winifred Sreenan RIP (Anniversary) For Private Intentions
Mon 12 Apr	Easter feria	No Mass at SJF Fr Shaun off duty	
Tues 13 Apr	Easter feria	Mass 9.30am	For Michael Frain RIP
Wed 14 Apr	Easter feria	Mass 9.30am	For C V Pepper RIP
Thur 15 Apr	Easter feria	Mass 9.30am	Joaquin Fernandes and family in thanksgiving
Fri 16 Apr	Easter feria	Mass 9.30am	For all souls in purgatory
Sat 17 Apr	Easter feria	Mass 10.00am	For a Private Intention
Sun ☒ 18 Apr	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>6.00pm (Sat Vigil)</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	For Canon Hugh Sreenan RIP (Anniversary) For C V Pepper RIP Pro Populo—for the people of the parish

**The Holy Father's prayer intentions for the month of April** : Fundamental Rights: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even democracies in crisis. Lord hear us. Lord graciously hear us.

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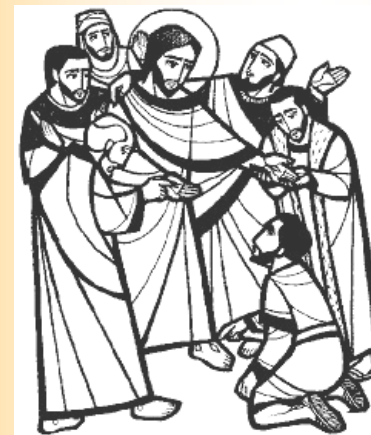
**Sunday 11th April 2021**  
**2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY**

Sunday cycle  
Readings Year B

Weekday readings  
2nd week of Easter

Divine Office  
Psalter Week 2

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
OF ST JOHN FISHER**



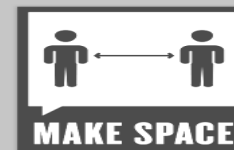
**HOLY MASS  
THIS SUNDAY**

Eight days later,  
Jesus came

After the joys and exuberance of Easter Sunday and Easter Week, we settle down into the longest Season in the Church's Year - Eastertide. This

period of fifty days is a time of sustained gladness, which comes through reading and reflecting on the Scriptures, describing the risen life of Jesus - not just his appearances to the disciples after the Resurrection, but the teachings from his ministry which reveal the risen life he now possesses. We also spend time hearing about how the Resurrection made a difference: how the timid and frightened disciples were able to leave Jerusalem and proclaim a message of life over death to the whole world, as we read through the book of the Acts of the Apostles. We also linger over the first letter of Saint John, which ties together so many of the themes of Easter: life, faith, Holy Baptism, the Spirit - all brought together in the person of the Lord Jesus, risen from the dead.

On this second Sunday, we continue to track through real time, by hearing what happened in Jerusalem on the Sunday after the Resurrection. with the Lord appearing to Thomas - strengthening his faith, and strengthening ours as we listen to the account.



*Because nobody is safe - until we are all safe*

**WELCOME** to the Holy Mass today. This newsletter gives you some information for the week ahead. There are also weekly sheets available in church for children called 'LOOK' to take away. If you are shielding at home, all of our Masses are available on line, just go to **You Tube** and type 'St John Fisher Shepperton' into the search area or use this link: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3GaZfMCYH\\_QOMndxN91BhA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3GaZfMCYH_QOMndxN91BhA)

**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.

**THANK YOU** - to Bing and Kevin Bachelor who have helped to tidy up borders and repair curbing along the side of the church. Thank you also to Keiron and to Tom, who over the past weeks have also been attending to weeds and borders. These tremendous efforts make all the difference. Thank you.

**DIVINE MERCY:** The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy. The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:  
A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.  
B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.  
C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that all the graces of His mercy can only be received by our trust. The more we open the door of our hearts and lives to Him with trust, the more we can receive.  
This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine

Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Find out more here: <https://www.thedivine Mercy.org/>  
St. John Paul II became aware of St. Faustina's Divine Mercy message while he was still a priest and bishop in Poland. When he became pope, he named the message of Divine Mercy as one of his top priorities: he had St. Faustina's writings translated from Polish to other languages, he wrote an encyclical on Divine Mercy, and supported St. Faustina's cause for canonization. When he canonized St. Faustina in 2000 as the first saint of the new millennium, he also created the feast of Divine Mercy Sunday for the Church. St. John Paul II called that day "the happiest day of my life."  
When St. John Paul II died in 2005, on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, many took this as a sign of God's mercy and love for this "Great Mercy Pope."

**A NEW STATUE FOR SJF:** in this Year of St Joseph: a number of parishioners have mentioned the desire for a statue in honour of the husband of the BVM. In this year dedicated to his name, it would be good to rectify this. Statues of quality are expensive, but we have sourced a handsome second hand, statue of St Joseph the Worker, which is wooden, three feet in height and from a Convent. Once fully restored, painted and fitted to a plinth, the cost will be around £1,000. The statue would compliment our existing statues in style and would be a fitting tribute, in this Year of St Joseph. We're fundraising now. If you would like to contribute to this project, simply pop your donation into an envelope and write on the front 'statue donation'. If you are able to *Gift Aid* your donation, please use a special blue donation envelope available from the back of the church, completing the slip on the front. If we happen to raise more donations than we need, we'll set it aside for other church projects which contribute to the beautifying of our parish church. Thank you

**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.

**YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:** Check out information here <https://rcdow.org.uk/faith/news/st-joseph/>

**FOOD BANK BOX** is situated in the church entrance porch. Thank you for your generosity, which is helping local people in need .

**C V PEPPER RIP:** Please continue to pray for the repose of C V 's soul and for Christine his wife and for his family. C V's Funeral Mass will be at SJF on Wednesday 21st April at 11.30am. Covid restrictions permit only 30 people to attend. If you had hoped to attend, it is really important that you check with the family first to ensure space is available. The Funeral Mass, as with all Masses here, will be live streamed.

**ENTERPRISING CATHOLICS** is an organisation offering start-up advice and mentoring for Catholics considering setting up new enterprises (be they businesses, professional, social enterprises, or charities). It connects Catholics with other Catholics getting started ('mentees') or who have already founded such enterprises and want to share their experiences ('mentors'). If you are interested in volunteering as a mentor or mentee, visit: [www.enterprisingcatholics.org](http://www.enterprisingcatholics.org) or email: [volunteer@enterprisingcatholics.org](mailto:volunteer@enterprisingcatholics.org)

**SPONSORING:** If you would like to sponsor the

Blessed Sacrament lamp by the Holy Tabernacle for your intentions, the cost is just £5. If you would like a Mass offered for your intentions, the diocesan guideline is £10 or whatever you can afford. All offerings directly support SJF church.

**BE AN ANGEL:** We need to maximise our limited seating, whilst keeping safe. Please use the seats in the centre of a bench first. If you block a row by sitting on the end, nobody can safely get past you.

**REGISTRATION: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2021**  
Please bear with us. Registration will be available shortly.

**CHORISTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOYS** aged 8-13 in year 2 or 3 who like to sing. Try out for the Westminster Cathedral Choir School. Check out: [www.choirschool.com](http://www.choirschool.com) for information or speak with Fr Shaun for more information.

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP**  
is sponsored this week by Marian Miranda  
for a private intention

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED**  
HRH The Duke of Edinburgh RIP  
C V Pepper RIP, Mary Cotter RIP  
(and for all who have died as a result of the pandemic)  
**ANNIVERSARIES THIS APRIL**  
Margaret Ward, Maurice Ward, Leila Waterhouse, Edward Reilly, Christopher Romer, Winifred Smith, Maureen Keady, William Walsh, Ted Jones, Anna Semkowicz-Holt, Cecilia Grose, Fr Anton Cowan  
**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**

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**EVENING DOORS FEAR PEACE HANDS SIDE BREATHED FORGIVE THOMAS HOLES NAILS FINGER**

