



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



All Masses are public and are also streamed online via [YouTube: St John Fisher Shepperton](#)

Sun ☒ 11 July	15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass) 8.30am 10.30am	For Michael Morris - for a full recovery For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For Jackie O' Connor
Mon 12 July	feria	No Mass at SJF - Fr Shaun off duty	
Tues 13 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For all who are receiving medical treatment at this time
Wed 14 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For those who suffer with anxiety or depression
Thur 15 July	St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor.	Mass 9.30am	For C-V and his daughter Louise RIP
Fri 16 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo
Sat 17 July	BVM on Saturday	Mass 10.00am	For a private intention
Sun ☒ 18 July	16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass) 8.30am 10.30am 12.00noon (for FHC families by invitation)	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo Joao Rodrigues Teixeira RIP For Matilda's family - in thanksgiving For our First Holy Communion children

The Holy Father's prayer intentions for the month of July: **Social Friendship:** We pray that in social, economic and political situations of conflict we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

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 Our registered charity number is: 233699



**Sunday 11th July 2021
15TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday cycle
Readings Year B
Weekday Readings
Lectionary Year 1
Ordinary Time
Week 15
Divine Office
Psalter Week 3



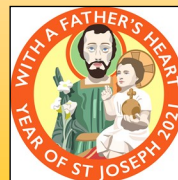
This week we read in the Gospel account of the sending out of the Twelve, entrusting the mission to them. The only qualification necessary is an open ear, to hear the mandate from God. We see this in Amos, the simple shepherd, and in the Twelve, called by Jesus from their humble occupations, which no one would have thought qualified them to speak on 'religious' themes. As last week, the possibility of rejection and failure is quite explicitly treated - Jesus instructs

the Apostles in what to do if they are ignored. When the Gospel simply states, "So they set off to preach repentance..." we can imagine all that was in their minds and hearts as they did so. They had heard the call of Jesus, and allowed it into their hearts: this was all they needed to go out and speak his words.

LITTLE CHURCH - FOR OUR YOUNGSTERS:

When you have a job to do, you want the right tools to use. So if you are drawing a picture, you need your pens and colouring pencils. If you are making a *Lego* model, you need all the right pieces! Jesus gives his friends a job to do today – to go out and tell people about him. But what "tools" do they have? Only one thing – that they know Jesus! That is the only tool we need today, if we are to help let the world know about Jesus. So how well do you know him? Can you think of 5 or 10 things you know about Jesus? Can you remember where he was born? What is the day called when we celebrate his birth? What was the name of Jesus' Mother? Do you remember the gifts which were given to Jesus by the three Wise Men, who travelled from the East? What happened to Jesus on Easter Sunday? What else can you remember about Jesus?

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
OF ST JOHN FISHER**



WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER, SHEPPERTON.

This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead, with a special section on the front page, especially for Little Church. There are also weekly sheets available in church for children called 'LOOK' to take away. If you are at home, you can pray the Mass with us 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/C3GaZfMCIYH_QQMdxN91BhA

GOOD NEWS - NEW LOOK. We now have a new look to our website, with easier access. Over time, we'll be adding more features and information, to keep you fully up to date with what's happening at SJF Church. You can see the new look by clicking here: [Roman Catholic Parish of Shepperton - Church of St John Fisher \(rcdow.org.uk\)](https://www.rcdow.org.uk) (if you are reading this on your phone, PC or tablet) or by typing this address into your favourite search engine:

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/shepperton>

PREPARING FOR THE EASING OF RESTRICTIONS

Currently, our Masses continue, with Covid restrictions in place. From Monday 19th July, the Government will be lifting most of the restrictions. We await news from the Diocese as to the way forward for parishes across Westminster Diocese. Many people may be feeling anxious about the lifting of restrictions; this is perfectly normal. It is going to take us all a little time to feel at ease. The return to our usual pattern of doing things will also take some time to put in place, including the opening of our Church Hall.

Please continue to pray for an end to the spread of the virus and for the continued rollout of the vaccine. Please also pray for those in hospital and those who have tested positive and are isolating at home.

IF YOU CONTACTED YOUR MP LAST WEEK...

THANK YOU! As a result of concerns raised to MP's across the UK, the attempt to hijack the UK Government's flagship Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill with two extreme abortion proposals failed, in the House of Commons last Monday. This is a victory for the sanctity of human life and for every baby in the womb who is at risk.

CATHEDRAL LOURDES MASS: As you may be aware, the Westminster Lourdes Pilgrimage will not be taking place this year. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will however, be celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Wednesday 28th July at 2.00pm. This Mass will give those, who otherwise would have travelled with the pilgrimage the opportunity to come together in prayer. The Mass should be available online for those who are unable to attend in person. Further details will be provided, once available. All are welcome. Additionally, well done to members of our **LOURDES GROUP** who took part, last weekend, in a 10k sponsored walk alongside the Rotary Club. This was to raise funds for the 2022 Pilgrimage to Lourdes. If you would like to support the group in their efforts, it's not too late. Just pop a donation into an envelope marked "Lourdes Walk" and post it through the presbytery door. Thank you.

MISSIO RED BOXES: If you might be interested in helping the parish to support this important work, you can find out further details here: <https://missio.org.uk> Do please let us know if you are interested.

HOLY COMMUNION IN THE HOME: We are looking for volunteers to assist in taking Holy Communion to those who are housebound. If you have been an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mass and are interested in helping in this ministry, which helps to keep our frail parishioners connected to the Church, please contact the office.

CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS:

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY has scheduled its Open evening for Year 7, 2022 for Thursday 23rd September. Interested parishioners are required to read the Admissions Policy <https://www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk/information/admissions> and to contact Lisa Newton, Admissions Officer on 01932 754 213, with any additional queries.

SALESIANS: A date has yet to be scheduled for an Open Day for Year 7, 2022. Further information will be given in early September. Please see Admissions Policy for latest information. <http://salesian.surrey.sch.uk/admissions/admission-policies/> Deadline for applications for both schools are preferred by Fri, 22nd Oct 21 although will be accepted up to Sun, 31st Oct 21.

ST GEORGE'S INDEPENDENT CATHOLIC SCHOOL, WEYBRIDGE: St George's will be conducting tours for prospective families for First Year 2022 (Year 7) entry during selected dates in July and August. Parishioners can complete an enquiry form to be included on their invitation list: <https://stgeorgesweybridge.com/contact-us#enquiry-form>. The 11+ Entrance Examination is on Wednesday, 5th January 2022 with the deadline to register Monday, 1st November 2021. Any enquiries to Mrs Donna Palmer-Smith, Admissions Manager on 01932 839 437 or to Miss Sophie Mount, Admissions Officer on 01932 839 463.

CERTIFICATES OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE for school applications can be requested by Catholic families, who are regularly at Mass and whose children are Baptised. Children who are not Catholic can also apply for Catholic schools without a certificate.

HOLY BAPTISM: Please contact Fr Shaun for registration for Holy Baptism. At least one parent should be Catholic and attending Mass as a matter of course, before requesting the Sacrament. We still have a waiting list for Baptisms, which we are working through. Please be patient when making your request for this wonderful and important Sacrament.

CALLING NUMBER 117: if you are using weekly offering envelopes numbered 117, please can you contact Traci, our bookkeeper, at sheppertonbookkeeper@rcdow.org.uk Thankyou.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(For those praying with us at home and those present at Mass not receiving 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.



PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

ANNIVERSARIES THIS JULY

Mary Ohlson, Joan Blues, Pam Houghton, 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

NEW TO ST JOHN FISHER OR HAVE CHANGED CONTACT DETAILS? Please do fill in a Parish Registration Form which you can find at the back of the church and online. You can return it in the presbytery letter box or by post. This is important for us to know who you are and to help you if and when the occasion arises.

IT'S A BEAUTIFUL GIFT to request a Mass intention on a specific date 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 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 SJF church. Thank you.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE: go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/> where you can find out details.

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate £138
Giving using offertory envelopes £116
Giving by bank standing order £475 (weekly average)
Card machine - contactless giving £20 (The card reader is now sited by the church entrance)
Thank you to all who have topped up their donations, having returned since the lockdown.
Thank you all, for supporting SJF Church.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

is sponsored for this coming week by Rita Hill
In memory of Tony Hill RIP

**SWITCH OFF YOUR PHONE AND SWITCH ON
YOUR HEART AND MIND TO THE LORD**