

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 ₩ 25 July	17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass) 8.30am 10.30am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For Anthony Berzolla RIP				
Mon 26 July	Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the BVM	No Mass at SJF - Fr Shaun off duty					
Tues 27 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For Hazel Goring who is sick				
Wed 28 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For Etienne Verniquet RIP anniversary				
Thur 29 July	Ss. Martha, Mary and Lazarus	Mass 9.30am	For a realignment of power in Uganda without bloodshed				
Fri 30 July	feria	Mass 9.30am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo				
Sat 31 July	St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest	Mass 10.00am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo				
Sun ♥ 01 Aug	18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass) 8.30am 10.30am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo				

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 25th July 2021 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday cycle
Readings Year B
Weekday Readings
Lectionary Year 1
Ordinary Time
Week 17
Divine Office
Psalter Week 1

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For the next five weeks we take our leave of Saint Mark's Gospel (since it is not long enough to fill the year) and read Chapter Six of Saint John's Gospel. This is the famous "Eucharistic Discourse" and begins with the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand. A line of the Psalm gives the meaning of today's readings: "The eyes of all creatures look to you (O God) and you give them their food in due time." Our God is the God who provides for his people; the prosperity and fruitfulness of our earth and the mysterious cycles of

nature ensure that all have what they need and have some left over. The actions of Elisha and Jesus are in a sense prophetic: many would say that there is not enough food in this world to go round, just as the two sets of disciples complain that there is not enough for the hundred or the five thousand. But the prophetic action states that this is not true: God provides what is needed. This might prompt us to think about the unfair and unequal distribution of the fruits of the earth: the miracle is a sign of the Kingdom of God - what God wants the world to be like. Perhaps we should take the message of the miracle to heart this Sunday and think about the multitude that still sits in hunger in our world today.

LITTLE CHURCH - FOR OUR YOUNGSTERS:

Today we hear how Jesus gave thanks to God for the food that was given to him and fed more than 5,000 people. This miracle teaches us about the great gift we receive in the Holy Mass, when the gifts of bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. When the bread and wine are offered at Mass, we offer ourselves as well, saying thank you to God for all the things that we have been given.

There are many wonderful contributions that we want to make to our world. Sometimes we might wonder whether we will be able to do these things and the many things that God wants us to do.



In today's Gospel, Jesus taught his disciples that he can take their small offerings and make amazing things happen. When we offer God our works and our actions, God will bless them and will help us to do amazing things. Have a great weekend!

WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER, SHEPPERTON.

week ahead, with a special section on the front 50p or you can simply bring your own to fill up. page, especially for Little Church. There are also weekly sheets available in church for children called 'LOOK' to take away.

First Holy Communion Mass last weekend. It was a at SJF Church. You can see the new look by moving occasion to see our youngsters, receive clicking here: Roman Catholic Parish of the Blessed Sacrament of the Lord for the first Shepperton - Church of St John Fisher time. Thank you also to Jean and Pir who have (rcdow.org.uk) (if you are reading this on your been so instrumental, as catechists, in the faith phone, PC or tablet) or by typing this address into journey of our youngsters.

INTERNET WOES: Modern technology is brilliant, working at the moment! It is a nightmare to We hope to be back on line next week.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! If you are about to go away on holiday, have a safe journey, God speed and come back refreshed. If you want to keep up to date HOLY COMMUNION IN THE HOME: We are with St John Fisher news whilst away, you can https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/shepperton

to You Tube and type 'St John Fisher Shepperton' into the search area or use this link here:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ C3GaZfMCYH QOMndxN91BhA

ENDING OF RESTRICTIONS: The Catholics Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has given us Parishioner details for Track and Trace will still be interested. required. Please continue to sanitise your hands as you enter and please do continue to wear your face covering in church. One significant change is the opening of all benches/pews for your use: but kindly keep some space between you and other parishioners. We'll announce other changes as they are gradually introduced.

It will take a few months for the Mass, and our social activities, to return to normal, especially as we are moving into the holiday season. We will be guided by our Bishops, so watch this space, for any weekly updates and changes.

HOLY WATER FOR USE AT HOME is again available from the Holy Water Dispenser. This is located

close to the font and the statue of St John Fisher. This newsletter gives some information for the Small bottles are available in the Repository for

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 THANK YOU to all who worked so hard for the keep you fully up to date with what's happening your favourite search engine:

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

when it works - however our system is not CATHEDRAL LOURDES MASS ONLINE: Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be celebrating Mass in the behold! Apologies, but we have had no live Cathedral on Wednesday 28th July at 2.00pm. This streaming or email capacity since Friday morning. Mass will give those, who otherwise would have travelled with the pilgrimage the opportunity to come together in prayer. All are welcome to

looking for volunteers to assist in taking Holy read the Newsletter online at this address: Communion to those who are housebound. If you have been an Extraordinary Minister of Holy You can also pray the Mass with us on-line, just go Communion at Mass and are interested in helping in this ministry, which helps to keep our frail parishioners connected to the Church, please contact Nathalie in the office.

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:// new guidelines which err on the side of caution. missio.org.uk Do please let us know if you are

CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS:

ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY Open evening for Year 7, 2022 for Thurs 23rd Sept. https://www.stpauls.surrey.sch.uk/information/admissions contact Lisa Newton, Admissions Officer on 01932 754 213, with any additional queries.

SALESIANS: Information will be given in early Sept. 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: Tours for First Year 2022 (Year 7)

go to: https://stgeorgesweybridge.com/contact- sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so us#enguiry form. The 11+ Entrance Examination that I may unite myself wholly to you now and is on Wed 5th Jan 2022 with the deadline to forever Amen. register Mon 1st Nov 2021. Enquiries to Mrs Donna Palmer-Smith, Admissions Manager on 01932 839 437.

applications can be requested by Catholic presbytery letter box or by post. This is important families, who are regularly at Mass and whose for us to know who you are and to help you if and children are Baptised. Children who are not when the occasion arises. Catholic can also apply for Catholic schools without a certificate.

HOLY BAPTISM: Please contact Fr Shaun for Giving using offertory envelopes £213 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 Thank you all, for supporting SJF Church. Baptisms, which we are working through. Please be patient when making your request for this wonderful and important Sacrament.

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.

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

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 **CERTIFICATES OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE** for school of the church and online. You can return it in the

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate £122 Giving by bank s/order £645 (June weekly average) Card machine - contactless giving £70 (The card reader is now sited by the church entrance)

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

ANNIVERSARIES THIS JULY

Mary Ohlson, Joan Blues, Pam Hoghton, 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**

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

is sponsored for this coming week by Juan For Baby Kim

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

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