



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

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Sun ☒ 01 Aug	<b>18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass)</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For Peter & Aniceto Gonsalves—intentions
Mon 02 Aug	feria	No Mass at SJF - Fr Shaun off duty	
Tues 03 Aug	feria	Mass 9.30am	For Eve Clark RIP
Wed 04 Aug	St John Vianney, Priest	Mass 9.30am	For Shauna Ryan RIP
Thur 05 Aug	feria	Mass 9.30am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo
Fri 06 Aug	<b>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b>	Mass 9.30am	For Diogo Dias RIP
Sat 07 Aug	BVM on Saturday	Mass 10.00am	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo
Sun ☒ 08 Aug	<b>19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm (Sat Vigil Mass)</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For the People of the Parish - Pro Populo For Senhor Jose in thanksgiving

**The Holy Father's prayer intentions for the month of August:** Evangelisation — Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

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**Sunday 1st August 2021  
18TH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday cycle  
Readings Year B  
Weekday Readings  
Lectionary Year 1  
Ordinary Time  
Week 18  
Divine Office  
Psalter Week 2



In today's Gospel, the crowd asks Jesus for a sign so that they can believe that he has come from God. This is a curious request, because Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people with just five barley loaves and two fish. How quickly they seem to have forgotten the wonderful thing that Jesus has done for them. Or, maybe they never recognised the miracle in the first place. Sometimes we don't recognise the wonderful things that God has done for us. And, sometimes, we simply forget

and ask for further evidence of his love and care. We pray that God will remove our blindness so that we can receive with thanks and praise all the wonderful things that God accomplishes in our lives.

Over the coming week, think about and name the wonderful gifts that God has given to you and some of the remarkable deeds that God has accomplished in our world. Observe that it is important to stop to count our blessings because we can easily miss recognizing all of the wonderful things that the Lord does for us.

Take a look at today's Gospel, John 6:24–35. Why are the people seeking out Jesus? What do they want from Jesus? Do they recognise that he will give them something greater and more important than the bread that fed their physical hungers; he will give them bread that will give them eternal life. This is the gift of Jesus himself given to us in the Eucharist.

**THE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
OF ST JOHN FISHER**



Thank you for continuing to wear your face covering in the church



#### 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.

**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 with St John Fisher news whilst away, you can read the Newsletter online at this address: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/shepperton> You can also 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 here: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/C3GaZfMCIYH\\_QQMdxN91BhA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/C3GaZfMCIYH_QQMdxN91BhA)

**CONGRATULATIONS** to baby Grace Rosaleen who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. We pray also for her parents, Sophie and Gavin, in celebration at this time.

**COMING TO ST JOHN FISHER — IT'S GREAT TO HAVE YOU WITH US.** Parishioner details for Track and Trace are still 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.

**GIVE US OUR DAILY BREAD:** even during the summer months, people struggle to make ends

meet. If you are able to bring some non perishable food for our Food Bank Box, this would be a good deed done. Currently, your kind donations are going directly to help others via *Surplus to Supper*. Please keep up the good work and help where you can. Many, many thanks.

**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. Small bottles are available in the Repository for 50p or you can simply bring your own to fill up.

**DATE FOR THE DIARY FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:** training and commissioning of existing ministers and those who are interested in becoming extraordinary ministers - assisting Fr Shaun at Mass in the distribution of Holy Communion and/or taking Holy Communion to the housebound and in care homes **Saturday 18th September at 12.00noon** (for 1 hour or less)

**THE PARISH OFFICE** will be open for urgent calls, and for the booking of Mass intentions whilst Nathalie is on annual leave 2nd -17th August. Please be patient if you are awaiting a response regarding an email.

**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.roman-catholic-parish-of-shepperton-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>

**AS WE ENTER THE HOLIDAY SEASON:** we have some dates available for Mass Intentions. If you would like 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, please contact Fr Shaun via phone or email, when the diary is close at hand, to request your Mass. The suggested diocesan Mass offering (stipend) is £10 or whatever you can afford. Regarding the sponsoring of the Blessed Sacrament Lamp: we have space available from

November onwards. Sponsoring the lamp is just £5 for the whole week.

**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 Fr Shaun.

**CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS:** **ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY** Open evening for Year 7, 2022 for Thurs 23rd Sept. <https://www.st-pauls.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-us#enquiry\\_form](https://stgeorgesweybridge.com/contact-us#enquiry_form). The 11+ Entrance Examination is on Wed 5th Jan 2022 with the deadline to register Mon 1st Nov 2021. Enquiries to Mrs Donna Palmer-Smith, Admissions Manager on 01932 839 437.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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 £103  
Giving using offertory envelopes £176  
Giving by bank s/order £645 (June weekly average)  
Card machine - contactless giving £30  
(The card reader is now sited by the church entrance)  
Thank you all, for supporting SJF Church.

#### PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

##### ANNIVERSARIES THIS AUGUST

Max Maksymiuw, Annie Reilly, Patricia Collins, James Patrick Dyer, Joan Delahunty, Alf Pitfield, James Sangster, Betty Mitchell, John Pegley, Michael Hayes, Fedor Jan Putter, Florence Kershaw, Liokadia Hughes, Frances Rosa Grant, Patricia Leale, Lt Col Kevin Ryan MBE, William Roberts, Audrey Willson, Joan Hefferman, Anne Harris, Jake Harvey Latter, Fr Tom Quinn.

##### ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD

#### THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP

is sponsored anonymously.

For all who work in our local hospitals, hospices and care homes.

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