



**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 ☒ 29 Aug	<b>22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	For Cidalia Alexandre RIP (6th month Anniversary) For Matilda, in thanksgiving Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Mon 30 Aug	Feria	No Mass	
Tue 31 Aug	Feria	<b>Mass at 9.30am</b>	For Jeanne Orchard - on her birthday
Wed 01 Sept	Feria	No Mass <b>Rosary at 9.30am</b>	
Thur 02 Sept	Feria	No Mass	
Fri 03 Sept	ST GREGORY THE GREAT, Pope & Doctor	<b>Mass at 9.30am</b>	For the people of Uganda
Sat 04 Sept	Feria	No morning Mass	
Sun ☒ 05 Sept	<b>23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Michael O'Reilly RIP

**Holy Rosary Prayers: Wednesday at 9.30am**

**Exposition and Benediction (Eucharistic Adoration):** currently suspended.

**Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for 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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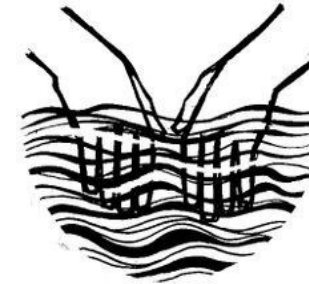
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Weekday readings  
Week 22 -YR 1  
Divine Office  
Psalter Week 2

**ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



**Sunday 29th August 2021**

**22ND SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**



**"You put aside the  
Commandment of  
God to cling to  
human traditions"**

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8**

As Moses prepares to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land, he reminds them of the true purpose of God's commandments. By obeying God's law, the people will live in harmony with him and with each other. The Commandments and God's law of love are to be cherished and obeyed by all believers. We do not pick and choose which commands are easy for us to follow. Out of love, we observe the whole law that God has given us.

**Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27**

Saint James reminds us in his letter that we are to be doers of the word, not just hearers. Those who take the word of God to heart and act on it will care for orphans and widows, the poor and the homeless, the hungry and the sick. True worship is not a matter of simply going to Mass or saying prayers. It is a matter of acting on the word that has been planted in us by God.

**Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

In today's gospel story, Jesus accuses the religious leaders of being hypocrites. They act as though they are speaking for God but they are really speaking about what matters to them. Jesus points out that they are more concerned about pious practices than they are about God's commandments. They criticized Jesus' disciples for not washing their hands before eating. But they showed no interest in the goodness of the disciples' hearts. A good heart will not produce evil actions. Nor will washing our hands make us clean inside where it really counts.

**Thank you for wearing your face covering in church and in considering others**



**WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER CHURCH**

This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead. There are also weekly sheets available in church for children called 'LOOK' to take away. If you are here visiting over the holidays you are very welcome.

**THE TIMETABLE FOR MASSES** (back page)

has changed whilst Fr Shaun takes some annual leave, this coming week. Please note that during the weekdays Holy Mass will be celebrated on Tuesdays and Fridays at the usual time of 9.30am. The Holy Rosary will be prayed on Wednesdays at 9.30am. The Sunday Masses are as usual: Sat Vigil at 6.00pm and Sunday at 8.30am and 10.30am. Please do support our Masses if you can. Priest supply cover for all churches is increasingly difficult and costly. It's lovely therefore, when a visiting priest is made welcome with a busy church. This coming week, we will welcome, Fr Richard Filima and Fr Robert Hamilton to celebrate the Holy Mass with us.

**THE PARISH OFFICE** will be open on Wednesday and Friday mornings for your calls, and for the booking of Mass Intentions. Please be patient if you are awaiting a response regarding an email.

**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. All the benches/pews

are fully open for your use; but kindly keep some space between you and other parishioners. Holy Communion is distributed at the end of the Mass on weekends, following the Post Communion Prayer and final Blessing. Parishioners then leave via the Car Park Exit.

**RESUMING AGAIN FROM WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER:**

**Holy Rosary Prayers:** on Wednesdays following 9.30am Mass.

**Exposition and Benediction:** (Eucharistic Adoration), on Fridays 10.00am –10.30am

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation** (Confession): on Saturdays at 5.30pm or on request.

**DIARY DATE FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:**

**Saturday 18th Sept at 12.00noon**

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.

**HOLY HARDWARE** Our repository shop, by the entrance to the church has a stock of cards for birthdays, anniversaries, Holy Baptism and Mass intentions. Most cards are less than half the price of those on the high street.

**FR DENNIS TOUW**, the Westminster Lourdes Pilgrimage Director, is leading a pilgrimage to Lourdes with Tangney Tours. Departing on the 20th of September from Heathrow with British Airways. Staying in the 4 star Eliseo Hotel for 4 nights. The return is on the 24th of September from Toulouse, arriving early evening into London Heathrow. If you have had both vaccines, you can travel. You do not need to self-isolate in France and you do not need

to self-isolate on return to the UK. Further details and costs here: newsletter@tangney-tours.com

**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.

**GOSPEL THOUGHTS:** We return to Saint Mark, for the rest of the year. The Gospel brings out one of the central problems of all religion: the way in which peripheral laws and customs gradually take over the more fundamental commandments, and the way in which "externalism" and a concern with superficialities gradually suffocates a true "internal" faith which is lived out.

Here we see the angry Jesus: he calls them "hypocrites", as he condemns their "worthless worship". He teaches a central truth: it is what comes from within that determines whether we are clean or unclean, good or evil. The commandments of God, which Moses puts before the people with such great pride, become the source of

justice, when they are given a place in the heart. When other rules and regulations about how to wash and what to eat displace them, then they are stifled and justice is practised no longer.

**SPIRITUAL QUOTE FOR THE WEEK**

"If we live for Christ, we already have one foot in eternity" (The Abbot of Solemes)

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED**

Anne Brannigan RIP

**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 Heffernan, Anne Harris, Jake Harvey Latter, Fr Tom Quinn.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP**

is sponsored this coming week by Jean  
For the repose of the soul of Tim Aherne RIP

**SWITCH OFF YOUR PHONE AND SWITCH ON**

**YOUR HEART AND MIND TO THE LORD**

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