



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

Sun ☒ 10 Oct	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	For Teresa Aherne RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Michael Fernando RIP – 7 years
Mon 11 Oct	Feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 12 Oct	Feria	Mass 9.30am	For all who have suffered miscarriage or the death of their babies and children in early years.
Wed 13 Oct	ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR	Mass 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Thur 14 Oct	Feria	Mass 9.30am	For Germano Fernandes RIP
Fri 15 Oct	St Teresa of Jesus	Mass 9.30am	For Kathleen O’Gorman RIP
Sat 16 Oct	Feria	Mass 10.00am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Sun ☒ 17 Oct	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For our Children and young people For Jonathan Lynch RIP

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

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

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

**Prayer request box:** for your prayers, to be offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, is situated by the church entrance. Prayers are offered on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Mass.

**Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for October: Evangelisation** - Missionary Disciples: We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

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**ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



**Sunday 10th October 2021**

**28TH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

***"Go and sell everything you own  
and follow me."***

In today's story of the rich young man, who comes to Jesus full of good intentions, there are some simple words that speak so clearly to our own age: when Jesus tells him to sell everything and give it to the poor, his face fell at these words, and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth." How sad it is that such a keen (he runs up to Jesus), and by all accounts good young man (whom Jesus loves) could not free himself from the one thing that was holding him back: his dependence on money. Jesus words "How hard it is..." perhaps indicate his own sadness that the young man could not free himself from this. Jesus teaching was new as the disciples reaction shows. In Israel at the time, riches were thought to be a blessing from God. But as Jesus knew and taught, holding on to anything that passes away can distract us from holding on to things that are eternal.

**A CALL TO LISTEN AND WALK TOGETHER: SYNOD 2022-2023**



Pope Francis has announced a Synod for the whole people of God. As part of the preparation for the Synod, the Pope has called every diocese to enter into a time of preparation, listening and discernment. This will take the form of a synodical experience. "The heart of the synodal experience is listening to God through listening to one another, inspired by the Word of God" In the weeks to come we will let you know how you can participate. If you are eager to find out more have a look at the following websites:

<http://www.synod.va/en.html> or [www.rcdow.org.uk/synod](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/synod)

## WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER, SHEPPERTON.

This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead. There are also weekly sheets available in church for children called 'LOOK' to take away. Children's Mass cards and Missals are also available. You can pray the Mass with us on-line if you are house bound or away, 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/C3GaZfMcyH\\_QOMndxN91BhA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/C3GaZfMcyH_QOMndxN91BhA)

**GOD GAVE US MARY.** God and Mary gave us Jesus. God and Mary and Jesus gave us the Holy Rosary and it is the single greatest tool against a busy, confusing, difficult life! October is the month of the Rosary. We pray the Rosary after the 9.30am Mass every Wednesday together with the prayer intentions of the parish. You are welcome to come and join us. It's all very relaxed, so don't worry if you are unsure of what to do. It is your prayers which are most important.

**THANK YOU** for the beautiful gift of the Marian stole and card, presented to me at the end of the 10.30am Mass last Sunday. Thank you also for the kind words of appreciation, for keeping the church open, in its various forms, over the past 18 months. The pandemic has taken its toll on us all and so your generosity to me is all the more touching. Thank you again. Fr Shaun.

**TEA & COFFEE:** continues in the church hall this Sunday after the 10.30am Mass. Please use the outside entrance to access the hall, rather than via the sacristy & kitchen.

**LITTLE CHURCH** continues this Sunday.

This group is especially for youngsters who have not made their First Holy Communion i.e. children under the age of seven. Children start off in church and then go into the hall. When the youngsters have completed their own liturgy, they will return to sit with their parents. Children who are now receiving Holy Communion, should remain in church for Mass.

**NEXT SUNDAY: MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR OUR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN:** Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am. This is a combined celebration for the classes of 2020 and 2021- but all are welcome. The children

are invited to wear their special outfits for the Holy Mass. There will be a party in celebration for them in the hall afterwards.

## BABY LOSS AWARENESS WEEK 9-15<sup>TH</sup> OCT 2021

Whatever you are feeling it matters. If you need a specialist listening ear, or simply resources to help you cope go to :

<https://blr.lifecharity.org.uk/blaw/>

## PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND PRAYER TO WALSINGHAM, FOR THE SANCTITY OF LIFE:

Saturday 23rd October, lead by Bishop Mark Davies. Our diocese will be running a coach to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. The coach departs from Archbishop's House, Ambrosden Avenue at 7.30am prompt. The cost is a reasonable £20. To book your seat please contact Dominica on: 07913 434357.

**HEAVENS RADIO** [www.heavensroadfm.com](http://www.heavensroadfm.com) – just to remind you, is an excellent Catholic radio broadcasting 24/7. They broadcast traditional prayers, including the holy Rosary, Angelus and prayers for the sick, plus lots of feature programmes and music.

## IT'S A LOVELY GIFT TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED FOR YOUR INTENTIONS:

We have some space currently available. To request a Mass intention, in thanksgiving, for a birthday or a wedding anniversary or for someone who is ill or who has died, contact Nathalie in the office or Fr Shaun. The diocesan recommendation for your offering is £10 or whatever you can afford.

**HOLY BAPTISM** Please contact Fr Shaun for registration for Holy Baptism. Parents should be attending Mass weekly, as a matter of course, before requesting this important Sacrament for their children. Baptism leaflets explaining this Holy Sacrament, with important information regarding God parents are available in church.

## THIS COMING NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS.

In life we pray for our loved ones, in death we pray for the repose (the resting) of their souls. During the whole of November, we will remember the faithful departed in our families and amongst our friends. There will be the **BLESSING OF THE GRAVES** at Sunbury Cemetery on Saturday 20th November at 12.00noon. All Souls lists will be available soon. There will also be an opportunity

to buy a seven day memorial candle to add the names of your loved ones. These will burn in church from All Souls day onward for the month. Full details will be available next week.

**A DAY WITH MARY:** Westminster Cathedral Saturday 16th October. Entry Procession begins at 9.45am Holy Mass with the Cathedral Choir at 10.30am. The day concludes at 4.00pm.

**NEW TO ST JOHN FISHER OR 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 via the presbytery letter box, on-line or by post.

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

(For those not receiving Holy Communion in church or at home)

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.

## ST IGNATIUS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL IN SUNBURY:

For children starting school in September 2022. Open morning each Wednesday in November from 9.30-11.00am. Children in the parishes of St John Fisher and St Ignatius are high priority for admissions. Contact the school office on 01932 785 396, or [admin@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk)

## ST RICHARD REYNOLDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Admissions Sept 2022: Small group tours of the Primary school on Fridays between 9:30 – 10:00am. To book go to Eventbrite at: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/primary-school-tour-tickets-178739272977> or the website: <https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/>

## PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS.

A Certificate of Catholic Practice is exactly what it says: that you are practising the faith and attending Mass here regularly. Fr Shaun will also need to see a copy of the Baptism certificate before issuing a Certificate. Full details on eligibility for Certificates of Catholic Practice can be found on school websites and also at [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk)

**A LIFELINE FOR MARRIAGE:** Has Covid put you under more stress as a couple? Is your marriage become stressed —do you argue more? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, are you thinking about it? The Retrouvaille programme may be just what you need! The next programme commences with a weekend 21st – 24th October. For more information email [info@retrouvaille.ie](mailto:info@retrouvaille.ie) Website : [www.retrouvaille.ie](http://www.retrouvaille.ie) (Complete confidentiality is assured.)

**CRISIS PREGNANCY:** The Good Counsel Network is a Catholic Pro-life group providing creative solutions, help and support to women in crisis pregnancies and afterwards. They can also help women suffering after an abortion. Please go to: [www.goodcounselnetwork.com](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.com)

## THE DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER AND QUEST:

Both organisations give pastoral support and points of contact for people with queries about LGBT+ issues and their Catholic faith. For more information: [www.lgbtcatholicswestminster.org](http://www.lgbtcatholicswestminster.org) [www.questlgbti.uk](http://www.questlgbti.uk)

## TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate £122  
Giving using offertory envelopes £151  
Giving by bank standing order £605 (weekly average)  
Card machine - contactless giving £85  
(The card reader is now sited by the church entrance)

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

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP** is sponsored this week by Marta for **Oliver Fernandes and family in thanksgiving**

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED**  
Mary Browne RIP,  
Anna Gammond RIP, Anne Brannigan RIP  
**ANNIVERSARIES THIS OCTOBER**  
Frank Nagle, Peter King, Christopher Moran, Kitty Burden, Stella Loftus, Peter Willson,  
Anna Casey Clarke, Michael Hennessey, John Broadhurst, Suzannah Spiller, John Brett, Jacqueline Restel, Philip Bunce, Patrick Farrell, Ian Mitchell, Joyce Tracey  
**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**