



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

Sun ☒ 31 Oct	ALL SAINTS	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Winnie Lockwood RIP For Emily Theobald RIP
Mon 01 Nov	feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 02 Nov	THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)	Mass 9.30am & Mass 7.00pm	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Wed 03 Nov	feria	Mass 9.30am	For Jessica Lee RIP
Thur 04 Nov	St Charles Borromeo, Bishop	Mass 9.30am	For the departed souls of family & friends
Fri 05 Nov	feria	Mass 9.30am	For the birthday intentions of Elizabeth Fitzgerald
Sat 06 Nov	The BVM on Saturday	There is no Mass this morning (Evening as usual)	
Sun ☒ 07 Nov	32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am 10.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Philip Gilheaney RIP For Dave Cunningham 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 November: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

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Sunday 31st October 2021

ALL SAINTS

Sunday cycle
Readings Year B
Weekday readings
Week 31-YR 1
Divine Office
Psalter Week 3

ST JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

The saints did not all begin well,
but they all ended well.

~ St. John Vianney



Most of the Saints in heaven are anonymous saints. Though we have known some Saints in our own life times, people like for example, St John Paul II and St Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Even though their names are not on our lips, their memory, inspiration, example and prayers are set before us today, so that we too can be

encouraged in our own journey of perfection. What does it take to be a Saint? The Gospel reading appointed for today, (the Beatitudes), shows us that it is in the small things that we triumph: gentleness, mercy, making peace, faithful mourning, purity of heart, poverty in spirit. These are not grand, public ways to sanctity. These ways are ways to be practised and perfected with those closest to us. Today's feast, as well as celebrating the memory of the Saints we know and don't know, also prompts us to see that holiness is within our grasp, if we simply keep the faith. Happy Feast Day!

MAY ALL THE SAINTS IN HEAVEN PRAY FOR US



WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER, SHEPPERTON.

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

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 YouTube and type 'St John Fisher Shepperton' into the search area or use this link here: https://www.youtube.com/channel/C3GaZfMcyH_QOMndxN91BhA

ALL SOULS' DAY commemorating the souls of the faithful departed, will be celebrated this coming Tuesday 2nd Nov with Mass at 9.30am. and additionally at 7.00pm in the evening.

STARTING NEXT WEEK: CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS Thursday 4th Nov, in the church hall at 7.30pm. This programme of life and faith, is in preparation for those being Received into the Catholic Church and for receiving Adult Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic and would like to know more, have a chat with Fr Shaun before Thursday.

CALLING ALL CATHOLIC TEACHERS: On-line event 23rd Nov 6pm-7.30pm. Our Diocesan Education Service is hosting this event to meet with Catholic teachers and leaders currently working outside of Catholic Education, to support them on their Journey into Catholic education and teaching. See the QR code on the poster by the church entrance for registration.

GOOD IDEA! Now that both exits are in use at the end of the Mass, we have been asked by parishioners to place a collection bucket (as the formal collection is still suspended), in the church porch, for those who leave by this route. You will now find the green bucket on the table. Thank you for your alms giving.

LITTLE CHURCH AT 10.30AM 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.

NOVEMBER - 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. All Souls' sheets for the names of your departed loved ones, are available at the back of church, to take away and return when completed.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY: A Requiem Mass for the war dead will be celebrated on 14th Nov at 10.30am. A two minute silence will be kept after the Homily. British Legion Poppies will be available for a donation soon.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES at Sunbury Cemetery on Saturday 20th November at 12.00noon.

SEVEN DAY MEMORIAL CANDLES can now be ordered. Candles will be lit from All Souls' Day, Tuesday 2nd Nov onward, for the duration of the month. The cost is £5. Details for candles are at the back of the church.

BE PREPARED: So often in the holy scriptures we are told to be prepared. November is fast approaching and is the month when we not only remember those who have died, but take the opportunity to put our own affairs in order. Many people use this month to make or to revisit their Will and to leave written instructions of funeral wishes. This is an opportunity to be prepared, to make a note of favourite hymns and bible readings and to consider the type of funeral service we would like, be it a Mass or a Liturgy of the Word, burial or cremation. This is not a morbid thing to do, it's a loving act which takes the burden away from those we leave behind. You might also consider leaving a small gift to your church - a charity, in thanksgiving, in memory of your life shared with us here and in support of our continued work. Information is at the back of the church to take away.

THE UNIVERSE CATHOLIC WEEKLY a new online newspaper with the full support of the first subscriber, Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Order your digital copy by calling Michelle on: 0743661 7650 Special offer: £20 for 3 months www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk

PARISH WEB: Our web site can be viewed here: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/shepperton>

PRAYER FOR THE COP26 CLIMATE SUMMIT

Loving God, We praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable, and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

THE SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' COLLECTION IS NEXT WEEK. During the Pandemic we cut out all second collections with the exception of those for vocations and for the sick and retired priests of our Diocese. Most priests offer their resignation at 75, but many continue to serve in our schools, hospitals, hospices and parishes. By supporting the Sick & Retired Priests' Fund, you can help cover essential costs and give them peace of mind that in the event of an emergency, their needs will be met. This is our chance to say thank you to those who have given so much. Donation envelopes are at back of the church today. Please take one home, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for the wellbeing of all of our clergy: active, retired and ill. You can donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations - the envelopes and posters feature a 'QR Code' that you can scan with a phone camera to give online. Thank you.

KEEP SJF COVID SECURE: If a member of your household has tested positive for COVID, even if asymptomatic (i.e. without symptoms), please refrain from coming to the church, in case you are asymptomatic yourself. Additionally, it may be helpful to know, that the Catholic Bishops have fully endorsed the UK Vaccination Programme. The more people who are vaccinated, the less risk there is to us all.

TEA & COFFEE: is available in the church hall after the 10.30am Mass. For safety around hot fluids, please use the outside entrance to access the hall, not via the sacristy & kitchen.

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 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.

FOOD BANK BOX: Thank you for bringing in non perishable food for our Food Bank Box. Please keep up the good work and help where you can.

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate £148
Giving using offertory envelopes £196
Giving by bank standing order £605 (weekly average)
Card machine - contactless giving £40
(The card reader is now sited by the church entrance)

Thank you, for supporting your church.

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THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP
is sponsored this week
for Victoria — for a special intention

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

ANNIVERSARIES THIS NOVEMBER
Reginald Atfield, Kathleen Homewood,
Dennis Turner, Christina Salt, Winifred Ray,
Janet Parsons, Maureen Bernardinis, Mary Ange
Pepper, Kieran O'Sullivan, Richard Caplis,
Brian Hayes, Bridget Keating, Mary Weathers,
Caroline Pegley, Winifred Lockwood,
Joan Colnbrook, Peter Pollard, Norman Parsons.
ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD