



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

Sun ✕ 17 April	<b>The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night</b>  <b>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection</b>	<b>8.00pm Sat Vigil</b>  <b>8.30am 10.30am</b>	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish  Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Mon 18 April	Monday Octave of Easter	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 19 April	Tuesday Octave of Easter	No Mass at SJF	
Wed 20 April	Wednesday Octave of Easter	Mass at 9.30am	For Gianna Demelo - 1st Birthday (23rd)
Thur 21 April	Thursday Octave of Easter	No Mass at SJF	
Fri 22 April	Friday Octave of Easter	Mass at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Sat 23 April	Saturday Octave of Easter	No <u>Morning</u> Mass	
Sun ✕ 24 April	<b>2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <b>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am Mass</b> <b>10.30am Mass</b>	For an end to the war in Ukraine Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Ian's 90th Birthday

✕ = Holy Day of Obligation

**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:** situated at the back of the church. Prayer are offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Mass.

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**ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



# Sunday 17th April 2022 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



✕ ALLELUIA ✕  
HE IS RISEN



**HAPPY EASTER  
THE LORD IS RISEN!**

At all Easter Sunday Masses, the Sequence is said, after the second reading. In place of the Creed; the renewal of Baptismal Promises takes place after the homily.

**LITTLE CHURCH** will be on holiday for Easter Sunday, but will be back the following week. Children's Mass sheets are available at the back of the church.

**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE** Our new energy efficient lights have been fitted. Enormous thanks to Keiron and Ken who carried out the high level work. Thanks also to Tim who sourced the new lights and who was able to get a discounted rate on costs. We are planning to upgrade the lighting in the Sanctuary area also, but this will come later. You might also have noticed that St Joseph is now enthroned. Thank you to Pawel who made the new floating throne and to his work colleagues who carried out the fixing. To all our helpers - thank you. You help to make our holy church the place it is.

**REGISTRATION NEWS** - Registration forms are available to collect from the back of the church for preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. The Course will begin in the Church hall on Thursday 5th May at 7.00pm and is open to young people in years 9 & 10 [who come to Mass at SJF](#) and who have received their other initiation Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion. The Registration Period ends 1st May. Please return your forms to the office asap.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE:** will be closed for the coming week. If you need to speak to a Priest very urgently, please contact one of the other local Catholic Priests. Fr Shaun will be on leave during this time. As Nathalie is away, any emails or any messages will be picked up by Fr Shaun on his return. Thank you for your patience.

**EASTER HOLY WATER** This was blessed during the Easter Vigil and is available from the Holy Water dispenser which is next to the St John Fisher statue.

**THE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER LITURGIES** have been celebrated fully at SJF for the first time since Covid began in 2020. But as you know, these Masses and Liturgies don't just happen. A very small number of people give many hours of their time to provide what we sometimes don't give a second thought about. Thank you to all who helped to prepare over Holy Week and into our Easter celebrations. Special thanks to our Sacristans who have prepared, cleaned & polished their way through the past week. Thanks also to our flower arrangers, altar servers, readers, musicians and singers, and those who stepped up to help out when needed, at the 11th hour. If you helped in any way, your kindness is much appreciated.

**THE EASTER CHURCH OFFERINGS:** Thank you if you made an offering via the Easter envelopes. You are helping to make up the annual stipend (wage) which is given to the priests who celebrate Mass here during the year. These Easter (and Christmas) offerings are not given directly to the clergy in this parish.

**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.

**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.

**CELEBRATION MASS - THURSDAY 28TH APRIL AT 7.30PM** You are warmly invited to attend this Holy Mass to celebrate those who are being Received into Full Communion into the Catholic Church. Our six catechumens/candidates have been preparing and studying over the past 20 weeks on the RCIA programme. Please come to the Mass to support them as they receive the Sacraments to welcome them into the Church.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE** - Have you booked yet? The Westminster Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place 22th-29th July this year. If you are interested, brochures and application forms are available in the Church porch.

**A MASS OFFERED FOR YOUR INTENTIONS:** We have dates available. To request an intention, in thanksgiving, for a birthday or a wedding anniversary or for someone who is ill or who has died, please contact the office. The diocesan recommendation for your offering is £10 or whatever you can afford.

**FANTASTIC NEWS!** The Relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes, who witnessed the apparitions of our Blessed Lady, are coming to Shepperton! Our church will be part of the National Tour. This is a massive honour for SJF and we are grateful to the Cardinal for agreeing to Shepperton being part of the itinerary. The Relics will arrive here for an overnight vigil on Tuesday 6th September. More details will follow. Thank you to Bernard Lavery who petitioned the Cardinal on behalf of our parish. We can expect many visitors for this historic event in the life of St John Fisher Church.

**TOILETS** in the church hall are available for use when the church is open for Mass. Please access them via the outside route, using the hall front door, rather than through the sacristy. Thank you

**OUR CHURCH** is a friendly place, but it's easy to reach out to those we already know. Over Holy Week and Easter there may well be visitors and people returning after some time away. A smile or a gentle 'hello' can make all the difference and pointing out where Mass sheets are can be invaluable. Thank you.

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP  
BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY**  
is sponsored this week for the family intentions of Marian Miranda

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED  
ANNIVERSARIES THIS APRIL**  
Margaret Ward, Maurice Ward,  
Leila Waterhouse, Edward Reilly,  
Christopher Romer, Winifred Smith,  
Maureen Keady, William Walsh, Ted Jones,  
Anna Semkowicz-Holt, Cecilia Grose,  
Fr Anton Cowan.  
**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**

**NEXT SUNDAY** is 'Divine Mercy Sunday' and is the culmination of the novena to the Divine Mercy of Jesus, a devotion mystically given to St. Faustina (Maria Faustina Kowalska), and is based upon an entry in her diary stating that anyone who participates in the Mass and receives the Sacraments of Confession and the Eucharist on this day is assured by Jesus of full remission of their sins.

**TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK**  
Loose giving in the plate £153  
Giving via bank Standing Orders during February:  
£2255.33/4 = £563.83/week

Please check from time to time, the Standing Order on your Bank Statement, to ensure that it is still active. Thank you for your support, in whatever way you give, to St John Fisher Church.

