



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

☒ Sun 01 May	<b>3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am Mass</b> <b>10.30am Mass</b>	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Terence Diekmann - In thanksgiving For Gavin Boyle RIP
Mon 02 May	St Athanasius (Bank Holiday)	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 03 May	SS PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles	Mass at 9.30am	For new Catholic Adults Received into the Church
Wed 04 May	THE ENGLISH MARTYRS	Mass at 9.30am	For Anne Brady RIP
Thur 05 May	Easter Feria	Mass at 9.30pm	For our young people and catechists beginning their new Confirmation Programme tonight
Fri 06 May	Easter Feria	Mass at 9.30am	
Sat 07 May	Easter Feria	Mass at 10.00am	
☒ Sun 08 May	<b>4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am Mass</b> <b>10.30am Mass</b>	For Maureen Bernardinis RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Patrick Daly RIP

☒ = 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. Prayers are offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Mass.

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Sunday cycle  
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Weekday Readings  
Week 3 of Easter

Divine Office  
Psalter Week 3

**ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



Sunday 1st May 2022

**3rd Sunday  
of Easter**



The rest of the world has settled back to normal after the Easter holidays now, but we continue to dwell on the Resurrection of Jesus and the growth of the Church. Today's Gospel, which many people consider the most beautiful of the resurrection stories, has many themes: the failed fishing trip, the inability of Peter to recognise the risen Jesus, the miracle of the 153 fish and the simple, powerful, reassuring words of Jesus to his confused disciples: Come and have breakfast. We can all find ourselves a place in this Gospel story, as we continue to wonder at the Resurrection of our Saviour.



☒ **ALLELUIA - HE IS RISEN** ☒

## WELCOME to St John Fisher, Shepperton.

This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead. There are also weekly sheets available at the back of the church for children called 'LOOK' to take away. If you are new to SJF church, you are very welcome! Do please introduce yourself to Fr Shaun.

**THANK YOU** to all who helped with the preparations for our RCIA Celebration Mass, last Thursday evening. Thanks also, to those who went above and beyond, to assist on the evening itself. Your kindness to our new Catholic parishioners is much appreciated. To have the opportunity to Receive and welcome new Catholic Adults into the Church and into our parish community is a privilege, which parishes pray and long for, to build up the Church and bring continual renewal. Our warmest congratulations to:

Hayley Mary-Josephine, James Michael, Orlando Pio, Paige Rose, Robert Benedict and Sadie Mary.

Deo Gratias—Thanks be to God

**REGISTRATION FOR THE CONFIRMATION COURSE 2022 CLOSES THIS WEEKEND!** - Registration forms are available at the back of the church for this year's course and in preparation for the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. The Course will begin in the church hall [this 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. As the course begins on Thursday, this weekend is the deadline for registration.

**MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY** The image of our Blessed Lady, in church, will be crowned at the beginning of the 10.30am Sunday Mass. May Our Lady, Mother of the Lord, pray for us.

**LITTLE CHURCH** at the 10.30am Sunday Mass continues. Children's weekly Mass sheets and Mass cards are also available at the back of the church. Parents are welcome to join their child in Little Church, until they are confident to attend by themselves.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THANKSGIVING MASS** Apologies for the date change; the Thanksgiving Mass will now be on the new date of Sunday 12th

June at 10.30am, The Most Holy Trinity.

**FOOD BANK BOX:** Thank you for bringing in non perishable food for our Food Bank Box, by the entrance. Your contributions are going to local people who need some extra support, especially at the moment.

**GOING AWAY AND WANT TO WATCH ONLINE?** You can pray the Mass with us online if you are house bound or away. Just go to You Tube and type 'St John Fisher Shepperton' into the search area.

**MASS FOR MIGRANTS** Monday 2nd May 2pm - 4pm, Westminster Cathedral, Victoria St, London SW1P 1LT, UK. The Mass this year is hosted by the Diocese of Westminster and the celebrant is Bishop Michael Campbell OSA. Please be seated in the Cathedral before the banner procession at 2pm. Mass begins at 2.30pm. You are warmly invited to attend to celebrate the significant contribution made by migrants to the life of our Dioceses. The Mass will also be streamed on-line.

**ONE OF OUR PARISHIONERS** has an HSL 4ft electrically adjustable Bed, with 10,000 spring Mattress and Headboard, in need of a new home. The bed has only been used for a year and is in perfect condition. If anyone is interested please speak to Fr Shaun.

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

**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.

**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** are available in the church hall. Please access them via the outside route, using the hall front door. Thank you

**BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP** If you would like to sponsor the Blessed Sacrament Lamp, which burns close to the Tabernacle, It costs just £5 for the whole week. Just let the office know your preferred week and your intention.

**ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY** is advertising for Exam Invigilators and Summer Internship opportunities with Teach SouthEast.  
Email - [acurrington@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:acurrington@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk)  
Website - [www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk)

**PRIEST TRAINING FUND:** Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation

### THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY

is sponsored this week by  
Anne-Marie Obertelli, for Horace Fernandez  
and his continued recovery

### PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

#### ANNIVERSARIES THIS MAY

Fr John O'Sullivan, Ella Mary Butterworth,  
Elsie Curley, Peter Johnson, Alice (Nita) Manning,  
Mollie Pugh, Jeanne Diekmann, Joe D'Souza,  
Tom Ray, David Weathers, Bartley Keady,  
Dorothy Price, Linzi Geddes, Joan King,  
Daphne Dodd, Kitty Brett, Terry Quinn,  
Kathleen Johnson, Clive Duveen.

### ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD

envelopes are available at the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations). Thank you for your generosity.

**CATHOLIC LISTENERS** A new confidential listening helpline is launching. Catholic Listeners has been set up for those who are returning to the faith. The helpline is all about listening to others, listening to those who might have become isolated due to the pandemic. This service is based on an ethos of compassionate listening. Although they are not a counselling service, they have a professional team trained on signposting to other services and agencies. Sometimes just communicating with someone who listens can ease a burden. They aim to help those in need of a safe space to talk. For further info contact Ade at [Catholiclisteners@gmail.com](mailto:Catholiclisteners@gmail.com) or 0800 448 0704

### TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate: £136  
Giving using offertory envelopes: £10  
Giving via the bank: £695 (weekly average for March)  
Easter Offerings for the Church: £785  
For those using loose giving, currently via the green buckets, we hope to reintroduce weekly Mass collections soon— more on this later.

Thank you, for supporting your church.