

# THE WEEK AHEAD AT SJF

<b>Sun ✘</b> 18 June	<b>11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am Mass</b> <b>10.30am Mass</b>	For Maria & Filippo Bernardinis RIP For Claire Van Der Veken RIP For Arvind Khehar RIP
Mon 19 June	feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 20 June	St Alban, Protomartyr	Mass at 9.30am	For Pir Lavery and Family
Wed 21 June	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	Mass at 9.30am Holy Rosary after Mass	For Margaret Wilson RIP
<b>Thurs</b> <b>22 June</b>	<b>SS JOHN FISHER, Bishop &amp; THOMAS MORE, Martyrs</b>	<b>Mass at 9.30am</b>	For Pauline Lynch RIP
Fri 23 June	feria	Mass at 9.30am Exposition & Benediction follows Mass	For Teresa Aherne RIP & Sheelagh Horne RIP
<b>Sat</b> <b>24 June</b>	<b>THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>	<b>Mass at 10.00am</b> Holy Baptism at 12.00noon	For Vildan RIP
<b>Sun ✘</b> 25 June	<b>12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>6.00pm Sat Vigil</b> <b>8.30am Mass</b> <b>10.30am Mass</b>	For Sarita Sieburger RIP Pro Populo - the people of this parish For departed Mullahey family members RIP

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

**Exposition and Benediction** is on Friday morning, directly after the Mass.

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

**Prayer Request Box:** at the back of the church. Prayers are offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, on Wednesdays after the 9.30am Mass. ✘ = Holy Day of Obligation

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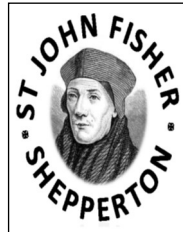
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Sunday cycle  
Readings Year A

Weekday Readings  
Lectionary Year 1  
Ordinary Time  
Week 11

ST JOHN FISHER  
CATHOLIC CHURCH



Sunday 18th June 2023  
**ELEVENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**  
Weekly Newsletter



The people of Israel were chosen by God, to be his own people. Moses proclaims this in the first reading this Sunday. Having chosen a people, God does not abandon them: they may be like sheep without a shepherd, but God sends them the Good Shepherd, who feels sorry for them, and entrusts his disciples with the task of giving them new heart.

The same God has chosen us, and gives us the same Shepherd. But we must be careful to take to ourselves the call of Jesus: praying for labourers to give new heart to the lost sheep of our society. We remember our own responsibility - because the harvest is great and the labourers are few. We are all called in various ways. This can be done through small acts of kindness and invitations to prayer or worship. By embracing our role as Evangelizers, we can share the good news of the Gospel and help others to encounter the transformative power of Jesus for themselves.

We each have a mission to fulfil: can we live out the Covenant, and truly be a consecrated nation?

LOVE GOD DAILY,  
EVEN WHEN YOU CAN'T  
SEE THROUGH THE FOG

**WELCOME** to Mass at SJF today. This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead. If you are new to SJF church, you are very welcome! Do please introduce yourself to Fr Shaun.

**THANK YOU**, to all who came to celebrate the Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus here last Friday. We celebrated a beautiful Mass, in this month of the Most Sacred Heart.

**VACANCY: ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY.** Foundation Governor required to join the Governing Body. All applicants must be practising Catholics. Further information: Jo Chappell 01932 704119 / jchappell@st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk

**VACANCY: CAFOD DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER** Community Participation Co-ordinator – Full time role. Involves both recruitment and support of existing team of Volunteers. Further details: [cafod.org.uk/jobs](http://cafod.org.uk/jobs) (Closing Date 25/6)

**CAFOD: UPDATE ON CONFLICT IN SUDAN** Violent conflict continues in Sudan. Working as part of the Caritas network, your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to provide practical help to families who have escaped to neighbouring countries, including South Sudan. Please join Pope Francis in praying for peace in Sudan. Find out more on the CAFOD website: [cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict](http://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict)

**FEAST OF SS JOHN FISHER, BISHOP AND THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS** falls this coming Thursday. We will celebrate Mass here at 9.30am. As this is our Patronal Feast Day, the Collect (the Opening Prayer for the Mass), is printed here for your own private devotions:

**O God, who in martyrdom have brought true faith to its highest expression, graciously grant that, strengthened through the intercession of Saints John Fisher and Thomas More, we may confirm by the witness of our life the faith we profess with our lips.**  
**Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.**  
**Amen.**



**MARY'S MEALS** would like to invite you to collect all your foreign currency, including UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender, no matter how old or obscure. Special envelopes are available at the back of church for you to take home and put all your foreign coins and notes into. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa. Currently the charity feeds over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education – by giving Mary's Meals your foreign coins and notes you can help feed the next hungry child. Mary's Meals feeds in over 18 countries. Because of their low costs, they can do this for as little as £19.15 per child per year! We shall collect until after the summer holidays, so you have plenty of time. Many thanks.

**OUR DIOCESAN AGENCY FOR EVANGELISATION** is offering numerous, short introductory courses for Catechists - who assist with our teaching in the parish. There are also courses for Liturgical Ministers, Readers etc. If you are interested in finding out what is on offer, please see the list on the notice board by the church entrance.

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

**FOOD BANK DROP OFF:** Thank you if you have been dropping off food donations. You are extraordinarily generous, towards those who are struggling at the moment.

**LITTLE CHURCH IS AT THE 10.30AM MASS.** There are also Children's Mass sheets, Mass cards and Missals, especially for our children. Parents, please assist your little ones in learning the words of the Holy Mass. This will help them to grow in confidence and in faith and is great preparation for receiving the Sacraments of the Church.

**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 on request.

**IT'S A LOVELY GIFT TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED FOR YOUR INTENTIONS:** We have dates. 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 the office. The diocesan recommendation for your offering is £10 or whatever you can afford.

**TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK**  
 Loose giving in the plate: £266.02  
 Giving via the bank or through the card machine: £651.33 (weekly average for April)

Our weekend loose offertory collection continues for those who do not have a bank standing order or who do not use the card machine. Whatever way you support our work here at SJF, thank you. We seriously couldn't survive without your support.

**DIARY DATES:**  
**SS JOHN FISHER & THOMAS MORE** - (our Patronal Feast day) - Thursday 22nd June, Mass at 9.30am  
**SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER & PAUL** - Thursday 29th June, Masses at 9.30am & 7.00pm  
**FHC MASS OF THANKSGIVING** - Sunday 16th July at 10.30am (revised date)  
**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BVM** - Tuesday 15th August, Masses at 9.30am & 7.00pm

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY**  
 has been sponsored this week for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life.

**PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED ANNIVERSARIES THIS JUNE**  
 William Homewood, Wilfrid Wilson, Neville Grose, John Butterworth, Ann Llewellyn, Sheelagh Horne, Chris O'Brien, Albert Sawyer, Sean Reidy, Ron Colnbrook, Eileen Kelly, Reginald Snell, Bernadette Pepper, Louis James Rogers (toddler) Tom Bermingham, David Boyce.  
**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD**

**REFRESHMENTS** after the 10.30am Mass are in the church Hall. You can get there by leaving the church and walking towards the car park at the back. You will be very welcome!

**MASSES AT SJF** are live streamed. Via YouTube. Whilst live streaming cannot replace our physical presence at the Holy Mass, streaming offers a link with SJF for those who are incapacitated with ill health.



**EARLY COPIES** (and back copies) of this Newsletter can be viewed on the web. Just type RCDOW/Shepperton into your web search engine.

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