

THE WEEK AHEAD AT SJF

Sun ☒ 25 June	12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	For Sarita Sieburger RIP Pro Populo - the people of this parish For departed Mullahey family members RIP
Mon 26 June	feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 27 June	St John Southworth, Priest & Martyr	Mass at 9.30am	For Barnaby, Grace and Ian RIP (Nottingham tragedy)
Wed 28 June	St Irenaeus, Bishop, Doctor & Martyr	Mass at 9.30am Holy Rosary after Mass	For Shelagh Allen RIP
Thurs 29 June ☒	SS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES	Mass at 9.30am Mass at 7.00pm	For Patrick Mulvany RIP Pro Populo - the people of this parish
Fri 30 June	feria	Mass at 9.30am	For the souls of those who are most forgotten RIP
Sat 01 July	DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL	Mass at 10.00am Holy Baptism at 12.00noon	
Sun ☒ 02 July	13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	For Tony Hill RIP Pro Populo - the people of this parish For Colin Souter 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

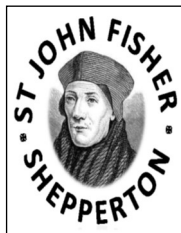
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Weekday Readings
Lectionary Year 1
Ordinary Time
Week 12

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CATHOLIC CHURCH



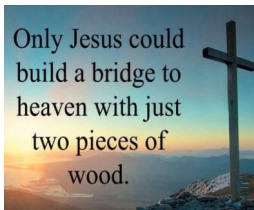
Sunday 25th June 2023
**TWELFTH SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**
 Weekly Newsletter



As we delve into the readings of the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we are compelled to reflect on the indispensable role of faith and trust in God when traversing the challenges and trials of life. Drawing inspiration from Jeremiah's example, we recognize that, like him, we may encounter betrayal and attacks from those around us. However, our unwavering faith in God's unfailing care, can serve as an anchor, sustaining us amidst tumultuous times.

Paul's message echoes the significance of faith in our salvation, guarding us against the perilous grip of despair. It emphasizes that our belief in the redemptive work of Christ is instrumental in attaining eternal salvation. Furthermore, Jesus' words resonate deeply within us, urging us to prioritise the well-being of our souls and to place unshakeable trust in God's intimate knowledge of and unwavering care for us.

The readings for the 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, beckons us to deepen our faith and entrust ourselves to God, even in the face of adversity. They serve as a poignant reminder that amidst the trials of life, we are not alone, for God is intimately present and cares deeply for us. By wholeheartedly embracing and placing our faith in God's loving care, we can find solace, strength, and hope, knowing that our souls are safeguarded by the unyielding love of our Creator.



WELCOME to Mass at St John Fisher today. This newsletter gives some information for the week ahead. If you are new to SJF church, you are very welcome!

EVERYTHING STOPPED FOR TEA! The Laverys and the McKeoughs would like to say a big thank you to all who attended the Afternoon Tea on Sat 17th June. Also, thanks to all who kindly assisted on the day or provided raffle prizes. We raised an unprecedented £1,200.00 for a worthy cause, in memory of those who loved Lourdes and are no longer with us. Many thanks.

LOURDES TRAVEL: For those of you travelling on the pilgrimage train to Lourdes, there will be a coach collecting you from the Church at 05.30am on Friday 21st July. Please make sure you arrive promptly (with Passports), as we won't be able to wait for late arrivals. There will also be a coach for the return journey on the 28th July, but I am awaiting confirmation on the train times. For those of you travelling by Air, please can you make your own way to Stansted Airport.

QUILT RAFFLE: A beautiful quilt has been kindly donated to the Lourdes team for Raffle. The quilt is on display by the shop in the porch, please take a little look! We will be selling raffle tickets after the Masses over the next few weeks and drawing the raffle after the 10.30am Mass on the 9th July. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Katrina.

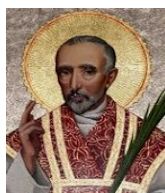
THANK YOU for your recent bottle donations, for the Shepperton Summer Fair. Your contributions made all the difference.

CONGRATULATIONS TO TEAGAN ROSE HUGHES who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. In thanksgiving and celebration, we hold Teagan and her family, in our prayers at this time.

THANK YOU, to all who came to celebrate our Patronal Feast of St John Fisher (and St Thomas More) last Thursday. May our Patron Saint pray for us.

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

SURREY AND SUSSEX POLICE are looking for new volunteer Chaplains to provide wellbeing support to officers and police staff and welcome applications from Catholics, as part of the multifaith team. Most volunteer Chaplains are not faith leaders, but rather, members of their faith group and it is not necessary to have previous experience of policing or chaplaincy. What is important is the ability to listen without judgement, to be supportive of people working in policing, and to make a commitment of 2-4 hours each week including a weekly visit to a police workplace to listen and encourage colleagues there. There are further optional opportunities to help lead services, attend awards and ceremonies, and care for colleagues during major incidents. Induction, training, supervision, and uniform is provided. The first step in the application process is to contact the Chaplaincy Lead, Frances Novillo on 07783 804665 frances.novillo@surrey.police.uk Thank you.



ON TUESDAY the Diocese will celebrate the Feast of St John Southworth. St John was a faithful priest at the time of the Reformation. Rather than deny his Priesthood, he died a gruesome death. His mortal remains are at Westminster Cathedral and during the time of the Priestly Ordinations, Deacons preparing to be ordained, prostrate themselves alongside the body of St John Southworth, down the centre aisle. If you happen to be in Victoria, and have some time, call in and offer a prayer for those offering their lives for service in the Diocese and for all Priests of our Diocese.

Almighty ever-living God, by whose gift Saint John Southworth fought for righteousness's sake even until death, grant, we pray, through his intercession, that we may bear every adversity for the sake of your love and hasten with all our strength towards you who alone are life.

Through Christ our Lord, Amen,

St John Southworth, pray for us.

YOU ARE NOT TOO LATE! We are continuing to collect foreign currency, including UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender, no matter how old or obscure in our special envelopes, available from the back of the church. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa! The coins and notes will be sent to Mary's Meals who currently feed over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education. By giving to Mary's Meals, your foreign coins and notes can help feed the next hungry child. Because of their low costs, Mary's Meals can do this for as little as £19.15 per child per year! We shall collect until September, so you have plenty of time. Many thanks.

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 (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

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.

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.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY has been sponsored this week for persecuted Christians around the world.

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

TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate: £273.06
Giving via the bank or through the card machine: £1007.21 (weekly average for May)
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:

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

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.



MASS WILL BE AS USUAL ON FRIDAY (30th June) at 9.30am but with no Exposition and Benediction afterwards. Back to normal next week.