## THE WEEK AHEAD AT SJF

Sun ♥ 27 Aug	21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	Pro populo—for the people of this Parish Pro populo—for the people of this Parish For Matilda—security in Uganda for her family
Mon 28 Aug	St Augustine, Bishop & Doctor	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 29 Aug	The Passion of St John the Baptist	Mass at 9.30am	For the Mill Hill Missionaries
Wed 30 Aug	feria	Mass at 9.30am Holy Rosary after Mass	For Eamonn Gibney RIP
Thurs 31 Aug	feria	Mass at 9.30am	
Fri 01 Sept	feria	Mass at 9.30am Exposition & Benediction follows Mass	For persecuted Christians
Sat 02 Sept	The BVM on Saturday	Mass at 10.00am	For Francis Joseph for a good recovery
Sun ♥ 03 Sept	22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	For Marian Miranda—family intentions For Bill Chawke RIP Pro Populo—for the people of this Parish

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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## Sunday 27th August 2023 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Weekly Newsletter

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## Who do you say that I am? Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Matthew 16:16

# ST JOHN FISHER

There is a very simple theme to this Sunday's readings: it is the principle of authority in the community of the Church: we are introduced to the idea that God gives authority to someone in the first reading, where Shebna is dismissed by God and replaced. This is a prelude to the Gospel story of Peter being given authority: not because he is powerful or wise in the world's sense, but because he was able to profess his faith in the one sent by the Father. This is the principle of all authority in the Church: it is to spring only from God and our faith in God, professed by our way of life and rooted only in Christ. For to him all authority, in heaven and on earth, has been given.







**WELCOME** to Mass at St John Fisher today. especially if you are visiting whilst on holiday. This newsletter gives some information for the week HOLY BAPTISM Please contact Fr Shaun for ahead. If you are a new parishioner to SJF church. you are very welcome, please introduce yourself.

FR JOSEPH THANGARAJ MHM (MILL HILL MISSIONARIES) is celebrating the weekend and daily Masses whilst Fr Shaun is on annual leave. Fr Joseph will be staying in the Presbytery. Do please make him feel welcome and at home. If the opportunity arises, why not invite him for IT'S A LOVELY GIFT TO HAVE A MASS OFFERED supper or afternoon tea?

**EXAMINATION RESULTS:** To our young people who have received examination results recently, we hope that these were all you have hoped for. However, remember that you are loved and supported by your families and your church family too, regardless of the results.

with the weeds getting the upper hand over the Summer months. If you have an hour or two to spare, please let us know so that we can get a small group together to get cracking. Thank you

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! If you are preparing to go away, we wish you a safe journey and a restful break. If you happen to be listed on a church rota for any particular ministry, please help us, by arranging cover with someone else on your rota. If you are finding this difficult, contact Mandy in the church office or Daphne in the Sacristy. This will help us enormously with the smooth running of the Masses and for all that we do together. Enjoy your time away and may God's speed be with you on your return.

WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC? We hope to run a programme in the Autumn for Adults who may be interested in becoming a Catholic. This programme will also be suitable for Catholic adults who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to do so. If you are interested please drop me an email. Many thanks. Fr Shaun: shaunrichards@rcdow.org.uk

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES: This is two-year part-time course, starting in September, which provides an ideal formation resource for parish catechists & lay ministers. For further details on the course content and

opportunities to apply for a bursary, please contact annadupelycz@rcdow.org.uk

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 the requirement of Catholic God parents, are available on request.

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.

LAST WEEK to bring in your foreign currency, THE CAR PARK is looking a little worse for wear, 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. The deadline is next Sunday 3rd September. Mary's Meals currently feed over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education for as little as £19.15 per child per year!

> LITTLE CHURCH AT THE 10.30AM MASS is now on holiday until it resumes again on Sunday 10th September. Children can pick up a children's activity sheet and children's Mass book from the back of the church. Happy Holidays!

> SJF PANTOMINE Rehearsals for this year's pantomime will be starting imminently. If anyone would like to tread the boards with the SJF players, please can you let Katrina know by the 10<sup>th</sup> September. Rehearsals will be on Sunday afternoons with live performances in late January. The team are also looking for backstage hands and support with PR and ticket sales. If you feel you would like to be involved in this way, please contact Katrina by the September. Katrinalavery80@gmail.com / 07921 409402

> 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!

## TOTAL COLLECTIONS AT MASSES LAST WEEK

Loose giving in the plate: £258.17

Giving via the bank or through the card machine: £2973; - £743 per week (weekly average for July) Our weekend loose offertory collection continues for those who do not have a bank standing order ST PAUL'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE, SUNBURY 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.

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





THE DOUGH SHACK - WOOD FIRED PIZZA are outside the church every Thursday from 5.00pm until 8.30pm. You can pre-order on Thursdays, using the QR code (just capture it on your mobile phone) Call direct on 0203 488 3470 or just turn up and order. The menu is also listed here: thedoughshack.co.uk Please do support the Dough Shack if you can - they are supporting us!

WORLD YOUTH DAY SUMMER PICNIC bringing a taste of Lisbon to London for youth (12-35) who were unable to attend World Youth Day this year. Saturday 2 September (11am-4pm) at SPEC

Retreat Centre, 125 Waxwell Lane, Pinner HA5 3EP. Sign up at https://vouth.rcdow.org.uk/ events/world-youth-day-summer-picnic/

Admission to Year 7 in 2023

OPEN MORNINGS -No appointment necessary tours approximately 1 hour

Thursday 22nd & 29th Sept & 6th Oct. 8.45am to 10.15am

OPEN EVENING -Thursday 22nd Sept 5.00pm to

Headteacher Address at 5.45pm and 6.30pm Sixth Form Open Evening

Admission to Year 12 in 2023

Wednesday 28th September from 6.00pm to 8.00pm. Head of Sixth Form Address at 6.30pm

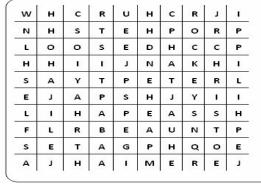
## THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP **BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY**

has been sponsored this week for our young people who have received their exam results

## PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED **ANNIVERSARIES THIS AUGUST**

Max Maksymiuw, Annie Reilly, Patricia Collins, James Patrick Dyer, Joan Delahunty, Alf Pitfield James Sangster, Betty Mitchell, John Pegley. Michael Hayes, Fedor Jan Putter, Florence Kershaw, Liokadia Hughes, Frances Rosa Grant, Patricia Leale, Lt Col Kevin Ryan MBE William Roberts, Audrey Willson Joan Heffernan, Anne Harris, Jake Harvey Latter, Fr Tom Quinn. Anna Gammond.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM O LORD** 





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