

THE WEEK AHEAD AT SJF

Sun ☒ 06 Aug	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	For Celine Carville—for better health Pro Populo - the people of this parish For Louise Heath (nee Pepper) RIP (20 years)
Mon 07 Aug	feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 08 Aug	St Dominic , Priest	Mass at 9.30am	For John Christopher for healing
Wed 09 Aug	ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, Virgin & Martyr, Patron of Europe	Mass at 9.30am Holy Rosary after Mass	
Thurs 10 Aug	ST LAWRENCE, Deacon and Martyr	Mass at 9.30am	
Fri 11 Aug	St Clare, Virgin	Mass at 9.30am Exposition & Benediction follows Mass	For a private intention for Elaine
Sat 12 Aug	The BVM on Saturday	Mass at 10.00am	
Sun ☒ 13 Aug	19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm Sat Vigil 8.30am Mass 10.30am Mass	For Jeanne Reynolds - for continuance of good health Pro Populo - the people of this parish For all souls who have no-one to pray for them.

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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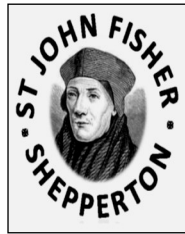
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Sunday 6th August 2023 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Weekly Newsletter

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ST JOHN FISHER
CATHOLIC CHURCH



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!

WE WELCOME Fr Antonio Ritaccio, from Allen Hall Seminary, who will be celebrating all the Masses for us this weekend on the great Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sebastian Bertie Stephen Shaw who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. In thanksgiving and celebration, we hold Sebastian Bertie and his whole family, in our prayers at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gerry O'Malley and Bob Lavery who were presented with the Benemerenti Medal by Cardinal Vincent during the recent Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for their outstanding and untiring work during the UK Tour of the Relics of St Bernadette. Well done Gerry and Bob!

DIARY DATE: WHEREVER YOU MAY BE... Next Tuesday, 15th August is the Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics. Wherever you may be, please celebrate, by attending Mass. Masses here at SJF will be at 9.30am and 7.00pm. Thank you.

BE FAMILIAR... with our church and church hall exit doors and routes. You may have been coming to SJF for many years or are at SJF for the first time. It's always a good idea to look around to see where your nearest exit route is, in the event that we ever need to evacuate our building at short notice. 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. Thank you in advance. Enjoy your time away and may God's speed be with you on your return.

Daily Prayer of St Teresa of Calcutta

Dear Jesus, help me to spread Thy fragrance everywhere I go. Flood my soul with Thy spirit and love. Penetrate and possess my whole being so utterly that all my life may only be a radiance of Thine. Shine through me and be so in me that every soul I come in contact with may feel Thy presence in my soul. Let them look up and see no longer me but only Jesus. Stay with me and then I shall begin to shine as you shine, so to shine as to be a light to others. Amen.

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

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

IT ALL ADDS UP! We are still collecting 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. **So far, we have collected 15.6kg (34.6lbs) in weight of coins and notes.** We will continue to collect until the beginning of 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!

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.

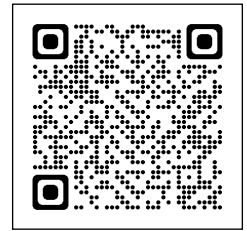
MASSSES AT SJF are live streamed. Via YouTube. Whilst live streaming cannot replace our physical presence at the Holy Mass, streaming offers a link with SJF for those who are incapacitated with ill health.

NEW TO ST JOHN FISHER OR NEED TO UPDATE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS? Please fill in a Parish Registration Form which you can find at the back of the church and online. Please feel free to drop it in to Mandy, our new Parish Administrator in the office, if you are passing by. Many thanks.

CELEBRATE SUMMER FAMILY ACTIVITY PACK: Download the brand new CELEBRATE online family activity pack for Summer! Packed full of activities to do, pray, read and watch, this online resource will give you ideas on how to connect with Gog, your family and others. Use this link to download: <https://www.celebratetrust.org/onlinefamilyactivitypacks>

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!

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!

CONGRATULATIONS if you are hoping to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage either here or elsewhere in the near future. The Diocese requires six months notice for pastoral and administrative paperwork to be completed. Clergy deal with large amounts of paperwork for couples, so it is important that proper notice is given. Please note that if you are intending to marry abroad, many countries require Catholics to have received all three Initiation Sacraments before agreeing to marry i.e. Baptism, First Holy Communion and Holy Confirmation. Marriage preparation courses are mandatory for Catholic Marriage and courses are run throughout the Diocese. See: <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/marriage-and-family-life/> Please speak with me if you have any questions. I am happy to help. Fr Shaun.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY

has been sponsored this week by Andy McBride for his late mother Nancy McBride

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