THIS WEEK AT SJF

Sun ✠ 06 July	**14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	**5.00pm Sat Vigil** **8.30am Mass** **10.30am Mass**	For Orlando Miranda dos Santos RIP (10th anniversary) Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish Marie Rushe RIP (Birthday)
Mon 07 July	Feria	No Mass at SJF	
Tue 08 July	Feria	Mass at 9.30am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Wed 09 July	Feria	Mass at 9.30am	For the healing of Orlando, undergoing medical treatment
Thurs 10 July	Feria	Mass at 9.30am	For Francis Paul RIP
Fri 11 July	ST BENEDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe	Mass at 9.30am	Elaine Beaton RIP
Sat 12 July	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday **Car Park Sweep 10.30am**	Mass at 10.00am	Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish
Sun ✠ 13 July	**15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	**5.00pm Sat Vigil** **8.30am Mass** **10.30am Mass**	For Teresa Downey RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For the intentions of the Pepper family

Holy Rosary Prayers: on Wednesdays following 9.30am Mass - suspended currently
Exposition and Benediction is usually on Friday morning - suspended currently
The Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) Saturdays at 4.15pm - 4.45pm or by arrangement.
Prayer Request Box: at the back of the church. ✠ **= Holy Day of Obligation**

HAVE A HOLY MASS OFFERED for your intentions: speak to Mandy in the office (Wed or Thurs AM) to book your date. If you are making a written request please add your name and contact details.

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ST JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday cycle Readings Year C
Weekday readings: Year 1
Lectionary Year 1
Ordinary Time
Week 14
Psalter week 2

Sunday 6th July 2025
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekly Newsletter



First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c
Have you ever watched a small baby with its mother? If the baby is nursing or just snuggling, it is completely happy in its mother's arms. That is the image used in today's reading to tell the Israelites how happy they will be when Jerusalem is restored. The holy city is like their mother. She knows how much they have suffered in exile. Now she will comfort and nourish them. And God will comfort them too, and once again shower them with good gifts.

Second Reading: Letter of St. Paul to the Galatians 6:14-18
Some of the Christians of Galatia thought that they should follow all the regulations of the Old Testament. Paul tells them that they do not have to follow ritual laws like circumcision. They are “a new creation" in Jesus Christ. Like Paul, they should trust in the cross of Jesus and boast of nothing but their faithfulness to the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
If Jesus sounds like he means business in this reading, he does! What matters most to him in the whole world is to make people understand that the Kingdom of God has come near. This is why he sends his disciples out in every direction. The harvest (people who have not heard the Good News of the Gospel) is ready right now. Jesus instructs the disciples to go quickly and travel light. They are to spread his peace and proclaim the Kingdom of God. Happy Sunday!

WELCOME TO ST JOHN FISHER, SHEPPERTON.

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. All Masses at SJF are live streamed via YouTube: 'St John Fisher Shepperton'. Whilst live streaming cannot replace our physical presence at the Holy Mass, streaming offers a link with SJF for those who are incapacitated through ill health.

CONGRATULATIONS to new parents Abbly and Ashton on the safe birth of their baby boy, Luca. We pray and congratulate them at this time.

CONGRATULATIONS to Hannah Louise, Neve Elizabeth, Frankie Oliver & Madeline Donna who received the beautiful Sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. May the Lord bless them on their new journey of faith.

NEXT SATURDAY 12TH JULY - 10.30AM - 12.00
Car park sweeping, weeding and cleaning of external hall windows in preparation for opening the hall and celebrating our Family Fun Day the following week. Can you help? We have placed a sign-up sheet in the church porch – please add your name to the job which you will be able to help with. Once we can get inside, we will let you know when we can organise for the remaining jobs to be done. Thank you so much in anticipation. See you next Saturday!

SAT 19TH JULY: ST JOHN FISHER FAMILY FUN DAY
12.00noon – 4.00pm. Bar-B-Q, Face Painting, free ice cream for children from the ice cream van when it arrives at 2.00pm. Licenced pay bar and music. This Fun Day is open to all and we especially welcome those who are new or relatively new to St John Fisher - even if we share you with another parish, and you just pop in from time to time — come along, and make some new friends. If you are single come on your own or bring a friend or two, whatever way, we would love to see you. The food is free but to help us cater for the day, please pop your name on the sign up sheet by the church entrance. As this event is to celebrate the reopening of the hall we'll gather in the church at 12.00noon for the count down, the cutting of the ribbon and an opportunity to check out the refurbishment.

THE LOURDES PRAYER BOX is out, at the back of the church, to receive your prayer requests. These intentions will then be taken to Lourdes during the Westminster Pilgrimage and placed by the grotto of Our Lady. For ease, you can take away a prayer sheet and return it completed next week. May Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us.

FRANCIS PAUL UPDATE - The Funeral Mass for Francis will take place this coming week. The family hope you will understand that this will be a private funeral with just the family attending. There will be a Memorial Service for Francis on the Feast Day of the Holy Guardian Angels, Thursday 2nd October at 12.00noon followed by refreshments in the hall. It would be wonderful if we could come to support the family on this day, to celebrate Francis' life. Please do save the date, if you are able. Young Francis died at home on 18th June. Francis was 8 years old and had been really poorly for the past two years. Francis had an enormous faith and it was his wish that he made his First Holy Communion - he did so on Saturday 17th May. As we pray for Francis, we know the angels have guided him to Jesus. We continue to pray for Paul and Tesmi his parents and his younger sister Elsbeth who are heart broken.
Your prayers have carried the family over the past two weeks and they mean so much to them at this time. Thank you . Fr Shaun

DEO GRATIAS - THANKS BE TO GOD: Two men were ordained last Saturday to the Sacred Priesthood in Westminster Cathedral, for service in our Diocese. Please keep them in your prayers:
Fr James Boyle – posted to Welwyn Garden City
Fr Sean Power – posted to Palmers Green
APOLOGIES - we are still without toilets, whilst the hall is under the control of the contractors.

IS THERE A VOLUNTEER AT SJF who you would like to nominate for the 'Love in Action' Volunteering Awards? For more information and to nominate a volunteer or volunteer team, please visit: https://caritaswestminster.org.uk/volunteer-service/awards/ or you can email directly on: cvs@rcdow.org.uk. Nominations close on 31st July. You can see the poster on the notice board in the porch and flyers are also available there.

HOLY BAPTISM is a joyous Sacrament We greatly encourage Holy Baptism for babies of families who regularly attend Mass here. It is recommended that Holy Baptism if at all possible takes place within baby's first year. Baptism leaflets explaining this Holy Sacrament, with important information regarding godparents are available from the church porch table.

LITTLE CHURCH - following the Summer holidays we will be restarting Little Church, which takes place during the first part of the 10.30am Sunday Mass. We currently have 6 leaders, but we need 12! Two people working together each week, on a six week cycle. So we really do need your help . Experience is not required - we will get you started. Worryingly there has only been a tiny response so far. We will need to know soon so as to ensure leaders have their safeguarding certificates in place. If you are interested, please speak with Fr Shaun - even if you just want to know more. Let's teach our wonderful children the faith… before the world teaches them something else!

YOU ARE REALLY HELPING: Thank you for bringing in non perishable food for our FOOD BANK BOX, by the church entrance. Your contributions are going to local people who need some extra support.

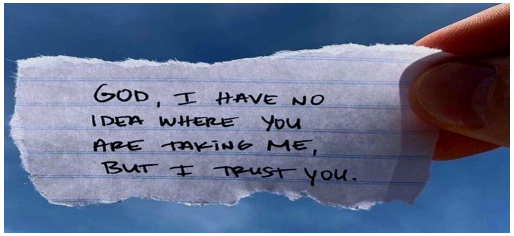
DID YOU KNOW… it is now possible to make your donations and contributions stretch even further. Many parishioners know they can Gift Aid their weekly donations, through the Bank or Card Machine or by using the Blue envelope (from the back of the church) for cash. But did you know that if you have a Mass offered for your intentions, or if you sponsor the Blessed Sacrament Light - you can Gift Aid your offering. Also if you have a Holy Baptism here or are arranging to get Married at SJF your offerings/ donations can also be Gift Aided. You don't give any extra, but the Tax Office gives the church here 25p for ever pound that you donate.

COLLECTIONS AT MASSES:
Last weekend loose collections: £270.42. Standing orders/online & card donations for the month of May were £952.83 per week. Whatever way you support the continuing work we do here at SJF, thank you. We seriously couldn't do all the good things we do without your support.

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 and drop it into the office here.

CALLING ALL ADULTS If you are a Catholic adult but have missed out on being Confirmed, or you are a non Catholic, thinking about becoming a Catholic, a new preparation group, especially for adults will be starting later in the year. The group will be run by me (with some additional helpers) and will be tailored directly to those in the group. If this might be of interest to you, please email me at: shaunrichards@rcdow.org.uk Fr Shaun.

LONDON CATHOLIC SOCIAL Group is a group for Catholic adults over 30 to meet for regular social events including walks, meals, karaoke evenings, outings, galleries and an annual Christmas meal. It is a friendly and relaxed group where you can make new friends, enjoy new experiences or just socialise. Contact them directly via Facebook – 'London Catholic Social Group', you can also email here: londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com



THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY
is sponsored this week for
all who are undergoing
medical treatment at this time.
May the Lord support them
and give them strength

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED
For Francis Paul RIP

ANNIVERSARIES THIS JULY
Mary Ohlson, Joan Blues, Pam Hoghton,
Kitty Bale, Louise Heath (Pepper),
Dermot Rhatigan, Mary Fletcher,
Edward Fletcher, Peggy Rhatigan,
Thomas Schwartz (von Megyesi),
Joseph Reynolds, Bob Keating
Grace Ekkel, Noel Brown, Steve Lonie.

Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord