THE WEEK AHEAD AT SJF

Sun ✠ 21 June	**12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	**5.00pm Sat Vigil** **8.30am Mass** **10.30am Mass**	For Andrew Boyle RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For Pauline Lynch RIP anniversary
Mon 22 June	ST JOHN FISHER & ST THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS	No Mass today	
Tue 23 June	Feria	Mass at 9.30am Knit & Natter - hall 1-3pm	For those in the parish undergoing medical treatment
Wed 24 June	**THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**	Mass at 9.30am Holy Rosary follows Mass **FUNERAL MASS 11.30AM**	For the parents of Paul & Tesmi **For Pat Brown RIP**
Thurs 25 June	Feria	Mass at 9.30am Coffee Connections in the hall, 10.00 -12noon	For Vocations, for Priests and Religious
Fri 26 June	Feria	Mass at 9.30am Adoration follows Mass	For a private intention for James
Sat 27 June	St John Southworth Priest & Martyr	Mass at 10.00am	*For Dwayne Harvey Pereira (1st Birthday)
Sun ✠ 28 June	**ST PETER & ST PAUL, APOSTLES**	**5.00pm Sat Vigil** **8.30am Mass** **10.30am Mass**	For Maria, Filippo & Rino Bernardinis RIP Pro Populo - for the people of the Parish For the Mullahey family intentions

Mass intentions with * are offered for parishioners at St Georges, Sudbury - with our thanks

HOLY ROSARY PRAYERS: Wednesday morning following the 9.30am Mass.
ADORATION AND BENEDICTION follows Mass on Fridays.
THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: (Confession) Saturdays at 4.15pm - 4.45pm or by arrangement.
PRAYER REQUEST BOX: at the back of the church.

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ST JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

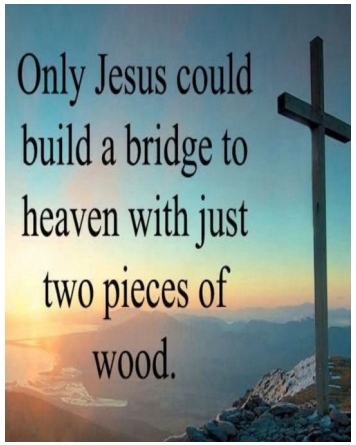
SUNDAY 21ST JUNE 2026
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Weekly Newsletter

Sunday cycle
Readings Year A
Weekdays
Ordinary Time
Wk 12 - Yr 2
Divine Office:
Psalter Wk 4



This Sunday's readings invite us to put our trust in God, especially when life feels challenging or uncertain. Jeremiah, the prophet, reminds us that even in times of opposition and hardship, God remains close and faithful. Like him, we may sometimes feel discouraged by the actions of others, yet faith gives us the strength to keep on going and the confidence that we are never abandoned.

St Paul points us towards the hope that is ours, reminding us that God's grace is greater than sin and that salvation is offered to us through Christ. Jesus in the Gospel, encourages us not to be afraid, but to trust in the loving care of God, who knows each of us deeply and holds us close.



Together, these readings reassure us that whatever we may face, we do not face it alone. God is with us in every trial, offering strength, comfort, and hope.

When we place our lives in his hands, we can move forward trusting that we are always held in his care. In the words of the Holy Gospel: *"Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows."*

Have a great Sunday!

WELCOME TO MASS AT SJF it is great to have you with us here today. Just so that you know**,** Masses at SJF are live streamed via YouTube. Whilst live streaming cannot replace our physical presence at the Holy Mass, streaming offers a valuable link with SJF for those who are incapacitated through distance or ill health.



DAY FOR LIFE This Sunday, we mark *Day for Life*, the day in the Church's calendar when we celebrate the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. This year's theme is 'The Wonder of the Child in the Womb'. Parenthood is a vocation of joys and hopes, of grief and anxieties. On this year's Day for Life, we remember the particular grief of mothers and fathers who have lost a child before birth or in infancy. Many parents find consolation in their faith and its assurance that every child, including those who lose their life before they are born or soon after, is created, willed and deeply loved by God from all eternity. The bishops' message and prayers can be found on the website: www.dayforlife.org.

CONGRATULATIONS to Arthur Joseph Power who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism this weekend. We pray for Arthur as he begins his great adventure of faith. We thank his parents, Molly and Kieran for bringing Arthur to this important milestone in his life.

GRATEFUL THANKS to Dominic who has repaired the brickwork on the sloping entrance to the hall door. This was damaged recently. Thank you Dominic.

HELP! We currently produce all our Newsletters and Order of Service booklets for Christmas and Easter in the office using *Publisher*. *Publisher* is closing down in October and we won't even be able to access our old *Publisher* documents. We are trying to find another publishing option. One possibility is *Canva* but I am struggling with it. If anyone can give me a tutorial on this or another publishing tool, this would be brilliant in getting me started. Many thanks. *Fr Shaun.*

MARGARET GANE RIP Weekly Mass attenders will remember Margaret's faithful presence at Mass and for Adoration here on Fridays. Although Margaret lived in Egham she really enjoyed driving over to us in her 90's! Margaret died in August last year. In her Last Will she generously made a bequest to St John Fisher Church of £2,000 in thanksgiving for this Holy place. We are immensely grateful for Margaret's generosity and we pray that her soul may rest eternally in peace with the Lord .

LUMINISCENCE AT WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: From 1st July to (potentially) late January 2027, Westminster Cathedral will be the setting of a fully immersive world of sound and light, for four nights a week. Luminiscence is a ground-breaking take on the concept of *son et lumière*; a 360-degree video projection experience, using 24 laser projectors, which will bring the Cathedral to life in breath-taking ways with colour and imagery, culminating in a vision of what the Cathedral may one day look like fully covered in mosaics.
The experience is accompanied by carefully selected music accompanied by a recorded poetic narration by Hugh Bonneville, specially scripted for the Cathedral. The 100+ performances will take place from Wednesday until Saturday each week, with one performance a night at 9.00pm from July until mid-September. Thereafter, there will be two performances a night at 7.30pm and 9.00pm. For more information & for opportunities to volunteer, go to: westminstercathedral.org.uk

REQUEST BOX: for your prayers, to be offered during the praying of the Holy Rosary, is situated at the back of the church. Rosary Prayers are offered on Wednesday mornings**.**

UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:
Wednesday 24th June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist: Mass at 9.30am
Sunday 28th June: St Peter & St Paul, Apostles: usual weekend Mass times.

GIVE US OUR DAILY BREAD: Thank you if you are able to bring some non perishable food for our Food Bank Box. This is a good deed done. Your kind donations, which can be placed in the food collection box at the church entrance, are going directly to help others locally via the Jubilee Food Bank. Many, many thanks.

OUT AND ABOUT ON SUNDAY? Did you know that you can still keep your Sunday obligation by joining us for the Vigil Mass (which anticipates Sunday) on Saturday evening at 5.00pm. It would be great to have you with us - you are part of our parish family and you are missed when you are not here.

STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE BEING BROUGHT BACK Assisted suicide campaigners are pushing hard to bring back the Leadbeater Bill to Parliament. *Not Dead Yet UK* has launched a simple tool to help you email your MP about the risks this Bill poses to people with disabilities. Please take 30 seconds to email your MP today using the tool here: http://action.notdeadyetuk.org/ The letter is written for you, but you can edit it as you wish.

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.

YOUR KIND OFFERINGS support absolutely everything we do, so whatever way you support the good works here at SJF with your donations, we are very grateful. The loose collection last weekend was £271.52 the previous weekend was £388.01 (excluding online/card donations) As always you are marvellous - thank you!

MASS INTENTIONS ARE IMPORTANT! Thank you if you have booked a Mass intention. They are a beautiful and meaningful spiritual gift. At the heart of the Mass, we bring our prayers to the Lord, whether for a loved one living or deceased, in thanksgiving, or for a special need, and we unite these prayers with Jesus' perfect offering to the Father. Requesting a Mass intention is a powerful way to place what matters to you most, into God's care. Your Mass intention is also a generously practical way of supporting the mission and ministry of the Church. The Mass offering (stipend) recommended by the Diocese is £10 or whatever you can afford), this essentially covers the cost of food for a priest for one day. Every intention is welcomed with prayer and gratitude. Just contact Mandy in the office for available dates.

HOLY COMMUNION may be received by Catholics at Mass, either on the tongue or in the hand. If you are receiving in the hand, please make your hands a safe place to receive the Body of Christ. One hand firmly under the other, to make a throne and hands raised up, near to the priest, will avoid the risk of dropping the Host. When receiving Holy Communion, we are not receiving a symbol of Jesus but the Body of Christ in Sacramental form. This is why receiving Holy Communion is both a beautiful and holy moment with the Lord himself. If you are not a Catholic, or you are a Catholic who does not receive Holy Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing instead - just place your hands across your chest.

MISSING SOMETHING? A mobile phone was handed in after the 10.30am Sunday Mass last weekend. If it is yours - please let us know.

HEADS UP: the next ***Coffee Connections*** morning will be this coming Thurs 25th June, in the hall 10.00am –12noon. Come and enjoy some freshly brewed coffee (or tea). All are very welcome.

THANK YOU A heartfelt thank you to everyone who donated prizes for the Tombola stall we had at the Shepperton Village Fair. Thanks to your generosity and support, we raised over £500 for the Lourdes Fund.

THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP
BURNING IN THE SANCTUARY THIS WEEK
is for the repose of the soul of
Sheelagh Horne RIP.
May she rest in peace.

PRAYING FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED
For Pat Brown RIP
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, Julian Rugseth, Peggy Johnstone,
Theo Morris, Henrietta Sawbridge,
Francis Paul (at 8 years old).