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9th June 2013 ~ Tenth Sunday of the Year C



Growing in Faith

Our parishes • Our priests • Our place in the world

We Welcome...

People of All Faiths and Cultures
Divorced or Separated Persons
Families with Children
Those in Loving Relationships
Those in Difficulty
Married Couples
Single Persons
Those in Recovery
Travellers from Far and Near
Widows and Widowers
Visitors

We Seek...

To live the Gospel of Jesus Christ
To Gather the Community and Tell the Story
To Sing and Make Music to the Lord
To Break the Bread and Share the Cup

We Celebrate...

Diversity
A spirit of hospitality
The unity that God wills
Enlightening those who seek God
Forming small faith communities
Reaching out to alienated Catholics
Reverencing the dignity of each person
Caring for the needs of the less fortunate
Empowering Christians to realise their call
Providing a spiritual Oasis
Honouring an understanding among all faiths
Nurturing our gifts and sharing them

This weekend marks a special occasion for our wonderful parish. At all Masses, you have been hearing about a very important effort that will have a direct impact on our parish, the lives of our priests, on-going vocations, and our role in supporting Catholic social action in our area.

I am fully committed to **Growing in Faith** and over the past eight weeks I have tried to meet with as many people as possible. May I now invite you to share in my commitment to this historic effort and join me in making it a wonderful success. As Roman Catholics, we are called to embrace the challenge of meeting these needs; we are challenged to respond to the Lord's call to prepare the Church and Diocese for the coming decades – to support this special endeavour.

While the Diocese's current financial situation is good, as we look to the future needs of the community, our collective finances will require continued growth of our resources throughout the Diocese.

To date, we have had fantastic success. Our total now stands at over £152,000 from an incredible 42 gifts. This overwhelming response is the result of some of our generous parishioners and the great work of the volunteer team. The goal for our parish is £350,000 as our needs here in the parish are great.

The volunteer team will be contacting you to respectfully ask you to consider supporting **Growing in Faith** at St John Fisher. When a member of the parish family calls on you on my behalf, please welcome them and respond as generously you can.

In the meantime, our **Growing in Faith** volunteer team and I are available to answer any questions you may have. Please call the Presbytery on 8429 5684.

Please continue to pray for the success of **Growing in Faith** in our parish. I am deeply appreciative of your support to date and grateful for your consideration of my request.

With every blessing,
Yours sincerely,

Shaun Middleton

Fr. Shaun Middleton, Parish Priest

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 8th June (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 People of the Parish

Sunday 9th – 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

08.30 Agnes O'Sullivan RIP

10.00 Peter Foran (Anniv)

11.30 In Thanksgiving – Arulanantham Family

Monday 10th – Feria, Tenth Week of Year 1

09.30 Joan Riley RIP

Tuesday 11th – St Barnabas, Apostle

09.30 Mrs. Gertrude Nicholas RIP

Wednesday 12th – Feria

19.00 Kieran Jordan (Anniv)

Thursday 13th – St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor

09.30 Maria Casey (Special Int.)

11.00 Funeral of James McCormick RIP

Friday 14th – Feria

09.30 Winnie Murray RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 17.15-17.45

Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the notice board at the back of the Church.

Recently Deceased, James McCormick.

Pray Also For, Peter Foran, Kieran Jordan, Thomas Quinn, Dymphna Lynch, Bernard Payne, Ann Lavelle, David McIntosh, Godfrey Taylor, Michael O'Connor, Luigina Johnson, Susan Tully, Ellen Trombetti, Teresa Rynne, Jim O'Shea, Michael Murphy, Linda Leon and Florence Morawska whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please Remember James McCormick who has died. Requiem Mass on Thursday, 13th June at 11am at St John Fisher Church. Further details to be confirmed. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to his family and friends.

Growing in Faith Team Meeting Will take place in the Small Hall on Monday, 10th June at 8.00pm.

Confirmation 2014 Application forms are available for anyone currently in School Year 8 or above who would like to be confirmed in 2014. See Kay after Mass, incl. Saturday Evening.

First Holy Communion & Reconciliation 2014 Application forms are available for parents of children currently in School Year 2 or above. See Kay after Mass, incl. Saturday Evening.

Coffee Morning An invitation is extended to all to come and join us for Cream Tea today after 10am and 11.30am Masses. Weather permitting we can enjoy it on the lawn! This will be our last meeting until September, so please do come along and taste the delights of home-baked scones and catching up with old and new friends. As usual, raffle tickets will be on sale after both Masses.

Fairtrade Stall Open in the porch today after all Masses.

International Day Once again this year the school and parish will work together to provide an International Day. This will take place at St John Fisher School, Melrose Road, HA5 5RA, on June 22nd, The Feast of St John Fisher, from 11am to 3pm. Could you please help with the following donations: Jolly Jars, Bric-a-Brac, Teddies, Toys - in good condition, Books, DVDs/CDs, Posh Bags, Drinks for tombola. You can drop these off in the Church porch or the sacristy.

International Kitchen Do get involved and share some of your home and culture with the parish. If people could spare half an hour on the day to help serve in the kitchen that would be fantastic - there is a separate sheet for this.

As for all you cake makers out there, please get baking, we need your help to provide cakes for the cake stall and for the tea and coffee stall. This is a real parish and school effort, it is about working together and supporting each other so we hope that everyone can get involved, give some time and attend the International Day.

International Day Talent Show We are planning to celebrate St. John Fisher Parish Talent. If you can sing, dance, play music or anything else and would like to share your talent at the International day please contact Maria Conlon, Deputy at St John Fisher Catholic School. It would be fantastic to celebrate the talents of St. John Fisher Parish. It would be wonderful to have some older children/adults to perform as well. Email mconlon.310@lgflmail.org.

Parish Women's Group Walk On Thursday, 13th June - meet at 8pm near the booking office, Harrow-on-the-Hill Station. For more info contact Elspeth on 07779 392244.

St. John Fisher Social Club Are holding a Summer Quiz on Saturday, 29th June at 8pm in the parish hall. Entrance is £3 per person. Do come along and support us, we'd love to be able to repeat the success of our last one. All proceeds to parish funds. For further information or to book a team, please email: durcanjohn@aol.com.

"Matrimony: the next generation" A free in-service event in Westminster Cathedral Hall, SW1P 1QH to enthuse and encourage everyone already involved (or aspiring to be) in preparing engaged couples for marriage. Saturday, 20th July, 1-4pm. Lunch provided. Registration essential, contact Catherine MacGillivray at cathmacgillivray@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7931 6064.

Explore Marriage project Please consider volunteering to help us to support the work of inspiring young people in our schools to aspire to lifelong marriage. Volunteer married couples, with appropriate support are invited into the schools to respond directly to questions from pupils about their life together. Volunteers are also needed for other roles. More info at www.theexploreexperience.co.uk/; contact Edmund Adamus at edmundadamus@rcdow.org.uk or 020 7798 9363.

Kolbe's Gift Ten Ten Theatre's exciting new production is now booking for 1-5 October 2013. "In 1941, Polish priest Maximilian Kolbe entered the Nazi concentration camp Auschwitz. A gifted man, Kolbe was the founder of monasteries in Poland and Japan, produced a monthly magazine with a circulation of over one million and formed an international movement to help bring people to the Catholic faith. Then, a chance encounter with an ordinary soldier, Franek Gajowniczec, led Kolbe to an extraordinary act – walking away from all that he had and could have achieved." At Leicester Square Theatre, 6 Leicester Place, WC2H 7BX, Tickets: £12.50-£20, Box office 08448 733433.

International Day Raffle Tickets Are attached to this week's newsletter. Please do buy a book of tickets or sell them to your colleagues and friends and return the raffle ticket stubs with the money in the envelope provided to the Church on 15th/16th June where someone will be there to collect them after mass. You will also be able to buy tickets that weekend. The draw will take place on 22nd June. Many thanks for your support.