



St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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Easter Sunday and the Second Sunday of Easter

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

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
Hail our life, our sweetness and our hope.*

*To thee do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.*

*Turn then, most gracious Advocate,
thine eyes of mercy towards us,
and after this our exile,
show unto us the Blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.*

*Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy
of the promises of Christ.*

Throughout the Easter liturgies Sacred Scripture has reminded us of the ways that God's loving mercy has been displayed in history. God's mercy is continually remembered and invoked. Psalm 136 tells us, "his mercy endures forever," so we are reminded that God's mercy knows no bounds. Pope Francis notes that this phrase "seems to break through the dimensions of space and time, inserting everything into the eternal mystery of love. It is as if to say that not only in history, but for all eternity man will always be under the merciful gaze of the Father" (MV, no. 7).

The celebration and remembrance of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection which we have recalled over the Triduum, is the ultimate sign of God's mercy, because through it we are saved. In the Paschal Mystery, God offers a concrete sign of his merciful love. That sign, that reality is Jesus-risen from the dead.



At the Easter Vigil, I had the joy of receiving a group of new people into our community. Through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist these men and women were drawn into the Paschal Mystery as they came to intimately experience the death and resurrection of our Saviour. Many of us through the Easter mystery feel the "merciful gaze of the Father" as we journey with Christ, renew our own commitment to the faith and breathe in the new life which Jesus offers to those who believe in him.

Here, at St John Fisher, there are so many signs of new life. Our new school building which will ensure that all our children will receive a brilliant education. "Love in Action", the programme that we will shortly launch in the Parish which will enable us to appreciate Catholic Social Teaching, our work with those who seek friendship and a sense of community and our continued outreach to all who wish to deepen their knowledge of the Lord.

All this activity is animated by one thing; the reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. This dynamic and wonderful event fills our hearts with joy and gives us the energy to proclaim to a world that is often filled with sadness and suffering a vision of what humanity can be. Let us never grow tired of singing our Alleluia and proclaiming that Christ our merciful Lord has risen from the dead. It is he who invites us to share his life, 'in Him we are saved and made free!' I wish you and all your families the blessings of this holy and merciful season of Easter.

Alleluia! Christ is risen, he is risen indeed!

Fr Shaun

Mass Times & Intentions

The Easter Vigil

09.30 Morning Prayer

20.00 People of the Parish

Easter Sunday

08.30 Noel Dunne RIP

10.00 Christopher Martin RIP

11.30 May McDonagh (Anniv)

Monday 28th March - Octave of Easter

11.00 Patsy Kennedy RIP

Tuesday 29th March - Octave of Easter

09.30 Daniel Dhar (Anniv)

Wednesday 30th March - Octave of Easter

19.00 Patrick Mortham RIP

Thursday 31st March - Octave of Easter

09.30 Panisha Bhadresha

Friday 1st April - Octave of Easter

09.30 Jim Gallagher (Anniv)

10.00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 2nd April (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 Marie & Ernie Crompt (Anniv)

Second Sunday of Easter

08.30 People of the Parish

10.00 Ana Francisca Teixeira RIP

11.30 Intention of Mullane Family

Monday 4th April – THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

09.30 Bhavini Bhadresha

Tuesday 5th April – Easter feria, Second Week of Easter

09.30 Gerard Nicholas RIP

11.00 Funeral of Wojciech Mlek RIP

Wednesday 6th April – Easter feria

19.00 Noel Dunne RIP

Thursday 7th April – St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest

09.30 Ryan Litvinsky (Special Int)

Friday 8th April – Easter feria

09.30 Peter Flanagan 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.

(SVP If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society, please inform the presbytery.)

Recently Deceased, Carrie Hartigan, Wojciech Mlek, Christine Roberts, Bridgie Weir, Johnson Fernandez.

Pray Also For May McDonagh, Daniel Dhar, Jim Gallagher, Marie & Ernie Crompt, Walter Jackson, Sean Kelly, Antonio Cacchioli, José Duran Carballo, Michael Lee, Ned O'Neill, Ann Castell, Kathleen Truscott, Bernard Letchet, Barbara Dyt, Lucy "Lucille" Goulding, Marian Blazek, Michael Stiffle, Quentin Gill, Rose Cunningham, Clifford Perera, Phebe Martins, Avito Saldanha, Keith Bowker, Cecil Cobb, Marian O'Dea, Darren Jones, Mary O'Sullivan, Maureen Orogun, Aldo Trombetti, Roman Sidorowicz, Mary Reidy, Joe Walsh, Gerard Nicholas, Maria Teixeira, Hannah Celine O'Brien, Kathleen Prendeville, Sally Enwright, Nora O'Connor, Maisie Rainsford and Eileen Jordan.

Please Remember Wojciech Mlek who has died. Requiem Mass on Tuesday, 5th April at 11am at St John Fisher followed by committal at Pinner New Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Michael Else RIP Funeral Service at Breakspear Crematorium on Thursday, 7th April at 2.30pm in the East Chapel.

Altar Servers 2nd/3rd April **Team A**, 9th/10th April **Team B** will serve.

Welcome Jyoti Bhadresha, Jamie O'Brien, Mark Outtrim, Jane Woko, Aisha Geewan and Claudia McHugh who through the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil have become full members of the Community.

Congratulations & Best Wishes To Pietro Califano and Luisa Cobb who were married in our church on 2nd April.

Planned Giving 2016/17 Planned Giving envelopes are available in the Church porch in **alphabetical order**. **Please collect your named box of envelopes as soon as possible but do not use them until Sunday, 10th April 2016.**

Love in Action Training Meeting on Monday, 11th April and Wednesday, 20th April at 7.30pm in the Fisher Room. All parish group leaders or their representatives to attend.

SJF Ladies Club We are meeting on Wednesday, 30th March after 7pm Mass in the Fisher Room for a film night "Suffragette". All welcome, charge £1.

St. John Fisher Social Club – Easter Opening Hours The Club is open on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

St John Fisher Social Club Concert with an Irish theme in the church hall beginning at 8.00pm on Saturday, 30th April with all proceeds to parish funds. It promises to be great fun so please come along and support us. Tickets are £8 each (£6 concessions) and will be available after most masses from Easter Sunday onwards.

Knights of St. Columba Next meeting on Thursday, 7th April at 8pm in the Social Club.

Bethany Group Next meeting on Thursday, 7th April at 7.30pm.

SJF Young Adults Group This is a space for all Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to come together, to get to know one another and get more involved in the life of the parish and the diocese, discuss and grow in their faith, as well as socialise. Everyone welcome. We meet on the first Sunday of the month in the Fisher Room after the 11.30am Mass. **Please note that the date for the next meeting has changed and is now Sunday, 10th April.**

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St. John Fisher School Annual Dinner & Dance Raffle Tickets will be sold on 2nd/3rd April 2016 after 6pm, 10am & 11.30am Mass. Cost £1 per ticket. There are some fantastic prizes available, including the following: 1st Prize: £250 Cash Prize; 2nd Prize: Kindle Fire; 3rd Prize: iPod Nano. Draw to take place on 16th April 2015. Many thanks for your support.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Join Cardinal Vincent on the pilgrimage to Walsingham, England's Nazareth, on 9th July 2016. With the theme of 'Mary, the Mother of Mercy', the day will include an outdoor Mass, procession with the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham and banners along the Holy Mile, prayers and Benediction in the Priory grounds, and free time to visit the Basilica, the Slipper Chapel and the Holy Door. The cost is £35 per person, cheques payable to St John Fisher Church. If you would like to book a place on a coach departing from St John Fisher Church, you will find a sign-up sheet and timetable in the porch.