



St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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22nd May 2016 ~ The Most Holy Trinity

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.*

This weekend, we are hosting Fr Jim Fleming from the Missionary Society of St Columba, who the diocese have nominated for this year's mission appeal. This Society last visited us 10 years ago. Hopefully Fr Jim will be able to reflect on his missionary experience in Pakistan and the Philippines as well as here in the UK, where the Word of God needs to be heard more than ever. I know that you will make him welcome and will support him.

The Columbans are ordained and lay missionaries, who see themselves being called to be a missionary presence in Britain, encouraging and listening to the local Church in its efforts to reach out beyond its boundaries for the sake of the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Sharing the Columban mission experience, they respond to their call in Britain by

- raising awareness of and eliciting support for Columban mission overseas;
- working, in solidarity with the poor and the exploited earth, for justice, peace and the integrity of creation;
- promoting life-giving relationships between peoples of different cultures and religions;
- facilitating the exchange of personnel and resources between Britain and other places where Columbans work.

Seeking the signs of God's Spirit at work in their situation, they engage in mission in cooperation with others of like vision and in openness to what God is doing among us and in our world.

In mission territories the Columbans seek:

- to establish the Church where the gospel has not been preached;
- to help local Churches grow into evangelizing communities open to all peoples;
- to promote dialogue between Christians and those of other religious traditions;
- to facilitate interchange between local Churches, especially those from which we come and those to which we are sent;
- to help people become fully human, to help establish a world of peace with justice and care for the integrity of creation in solidarity with the poor.

The Columbans strive to identify with Jesus of Nazareth who said, 'He has sent me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free and to proclaim the Lord's year of favour'. (Lk 4:18). Within this framework, the Columbans often find themselves working with and accompanying people who are suffering great injustices. They believe that the gospel of Jesus Christ demands that his followers, i.e. the Church, challenge the scandals of poverty and violence.

Fr Shaun

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 21st May 2016 (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 Patrick Moloney (Anniv)

Sunday 22nd – **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

08.30 Nelo Abreu

10.00 Augustine Texeira (Anniv)

11.30 People of the Parish

Monday 23rd – Feria, Eight Week of Year 2

09.30 Aleksandra Nekut RIP

Tuesday 24th – Feria

09.30 Daniel Thiruchelvam (Special Int)

Wednesday 25th – St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor

19.00 Mary Salmon RIP

Thursday 26th – St Philip Neri, Priest

09.30 Christine Roberts RIP

12.00 Funeral of Rita Rough RIP

Friday 27th – ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop

09.30 Brendan Connelly (Anniv)

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, Rita Rough, Bridget Harte, John Plowright.

Pray Also For Patrick Moloney, Augustine Texeira, Brendan Connelly, Joe McGrath, Aldo Minoli, Bridie White, Frank Gallagher, Sadie Horan, Cornelius Clancy, Mary O'Shea, Mai Dineen, Regina Emmanuel, Sarah Madden, Ronald Martin and Julia Reilly.

Please Remember Rita Rough who has died. Funeral on Thursday, 26th May 2016 at 12 Noon followed by committal at Pinner New Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

Altar Servers 28th/29th May **Team A** will serve.

Love in Action How can we be a Caritas people, who see the need around us, reflect on what we can do about it inspired by our faith and through prayerful reflection, and then take positive action as a result?

Over the coming weeks we are going to explore the guiding principles of Catholic social teaching – ways in which we can look at the reality of life in our community and the global community, and reflect on how we can put love into action, and be a Caritas people.

Applications for Confirmation 2017 Meeting on Monday, 23rd May at 5.30pm in the Parish Centre. The candidates must attend themselves and need to be in school year 8 or above. The meeting will last for 1 hour where information will be given for the coming year. Anyone wishing to be confirmed in 2017 will need to attend this meeting.

Applications for First Holy Communion 2017 Will be available in the Fisher Room Saturday 11th June from 5.30pm till 6pm, on Sunday 12th June after each Mass and on Monday 13th June between 7.00pm-7.30pm, for any child who will be in school year 3 or above from September 2016. The cost of the programme is £20 which covers the cost of the workbooks. If your child was baptised outside of the parish you will need a photocopy of a baptism certificate when you register.

If you are an adult and one of the following applies to you then contact Kay Missed out on being baptised as a baby • didn't make your First Holy Communion or Confirmation as a child • would like to know more about the teachings of the Catholic

Church • would like to become a Catholic. We meet as a group each week and already have some people who are part of the group working towards being a full member of the Catholic Church at Easter. The group is also open to those who just wish to have more of an understanding of the church and are not intending to become a catholic.

Traidcraft Stall will be open after all masses this weekend. Come and browse the range of Fairtrade food on sale incl. teas, coffees, spreads, nuts and fruit pots as well as sweets & chocolate.

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 socialize. Everyone welcome. **We meet on the first Sunday of the month in the Fisher Room after the 11.30am Mass.** Our next meeting is on Sunday, 5th June. Contact Johnpromise promisemagnus@yahoo.com.

International Day Please keep Saturday, 2nd of July 11am-3pm free in your diaries because that is the date for our International Day. As usual the whole of our community, parish and school will work together. As a parish we take responsibility for the following stalls: Books, Cakes and Refreshments, the Bottle Tombola, Irish Coffee, the International Kitchen and the Gate Entrance.

We need men to come forward to help with the BBQ and as usual there will be a sign-up sheet for the international kitchen. This is your chance to share something of your culture through food.

Donations of Jolly Jars, Handbags, Books, Bric-a-Brac, Bottles and Cakes are all very welcome. So have a root through your homes and bring your donations to the church porch or to the school.

Help to set up will be needed on Friday, 1st July as well as the day itself. I hope that we will all have a wonderful time. It is a great day for the parish and the school, please be a part of it.

Summer Coffee Morning Please join us on Sunday, 12th June in the parish centre after 10am and 11.30am mass for refreshments and homemade cakes. It is the perfect way to meet fellow parishioners and relax for a while after mass. Raffle tickets are on sale in the porch after every mass (£1 a strip) so please support the event by buying a ticket as all proceeds go towards reducing the parish debt.

Welcome Ministry Rota Please collect your new rotas from the porch and/or see our website. We need more volunteers so if you are interested please contact Sue Moriarty at suemoriarty@sky.com.

Church Cleaning To keep our lovely church looking good we are looking to recruit a couple of people to join the cleaning team that meets at 10.00am, once every four weeks, on a Thursday. The cleaning includes sweeping, dusting and hoovering and will take about 1.5/2 hours. Please contact Claudia McHugh on 020 8429 5681 or claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham Please make the payment of £35 per person by **Sunday, 5th June 2016** (cheques payable to St John Fisher RC Church). Please ensure you bring a picnic lunch (including plenty of water). There are still spaces available so if you would like to book a place on a coach departing from St John Fisher Church, please contact Claudia McHugh on 020 8429 5681/ claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk. Join Cardinal Vincent on the pilgrimage to Walsingham, England's Nazareth, on 9th July 2016. For more info, please see poster on the noticeboard in the porch.