

St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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10th July 2016 ~ Fifteenth Sunday of the Year C

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.

THE CARE OF CREATION

The earth and all it contains has been created by God. It is a gift, given to all for the good of all. The resources of the earth are not infinite. They have been given to us and to future generations. How we have treated and continue to treat the earth has profound impacts on people now and in the future. Too often we have destroyed elements of the earth for a quick gain. Just think of the destruction of the Rain Forests in South America and how that has impacted on the eco-system that is the earth.



At a General Audience in May 2014, Pope Francis described our destruction of creation as "like saying to God, 'I don't like it', and this is not good, it is a sin. Care for creation is care for God's gift to us, and it means saying to God, 'thank you, I am the custodian of creation, but to enable it to progress, never to destroy your gift".

As stewards, or custodians, of creation we have a special role to play. How we care for the earth is another sign of how we are Christians, how we show God's love in the world.

The Bishops of England and Wales remind us of the link between human dignity and care for the earth in their document, *The Call of Creation*, "The full human development of every human person both now and in future generations cannot be separated from the fate of the earth." It is not simply a matter of treating the earth properly, but part of our treatment of our sisters and brothers across the globe. Indeed, it is those living in the poorest communities around the world who already feel the devastating effects of, and will be less able to adapt to, a changing climate.

As you know, one of the main things that Love in Action calls us to do is to make a practical difference. With this in mind I have talked to the Head Teacher of St John Fisher School, which has just been through a building programme. When the time is right we will extend an invitation to our parishioners to be part of a team that will create a new "garden of awe and wonder" in front of the new building at the school. We will need people like me who can dig. People who can plan, people who can grow things, people who can plant and people who can spend time with the children to teach them in a very practical way about the beauty of nature and the care of creation.

Fr Sham.

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 9th July 2016 (First Mass of Sunday) 18.00 Mr. Succor Fernandes (Anniv) Sunday 10th – 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 08.30 People of the Parish 10.00 Ana Francisca Texeira RIP 11.30 Nora May Hayes (1st Anniv)

18.00 Reception Service for Rita Brennan RIP

Monday 11th – ST BENEDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe

09.30 Joseph Thiruchelvam RIP

11.00 Requiem Mass for Rita Brennan RIP

Tuesday 12th – Feria, Fifteenth Week of Year 2 09.30 Michael Mulvaney (Anniv)

Wednesday 13th – Feria 19.00 Ian Jessey RIP

Thursday 14th – Feria

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09.30 Tommy Smith (Anniv)

Friday 15th – St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor

09.30 Private Intention

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, Ian Jessey, Maggie Mullane, Mrs. Mary Thiresa Alphoneses, Marie Ransley, Noeleen Bell.

Pray Also For Succor Fernandes, Nora May Hayes, Michael Mulvaney, Tommy Smith, Margaret Bladun, Mary Ann Brady, Douglas Wilton, Alison Smith, Mary McKenna, Nancy Martin, John Hughes, Dorothy Payne; Josephine, Matthew & John Doody; Maureen Duran, Ted Green and Fr Bernard McKenna.

9.30am Mass on Tuesday, 19th July Please note that St John Fisher School will be attending.

Altar Servers 16th/17th July Team B will serve.

Parish Exhibition As part of our Love in Action programme, there will be an opportunity for parishioners to become more aware of the various groups that work in the Parish. Therefore, every group in the Parish will be part of an exhibition, which will try to inform all our parishioners of the activities that take place at St John Fisher. The exhibition will be in the hall after each Mass on 16th and 17th July. Please take a few minutes after Mass to go into the hall to have a look and show some support for all those in our Parish who give so generously of their time and talent.

SJF Ladies Meeting on Wednesday, 13th July after mass in the Fisher Room to discuss Exhibition and knitting team. Everyone welcome.

Knitting Group We are meeting on Friday, 15th July at 2.30pm in the Parish hall. If you cannot attend but would like to be involved or you can donate wool, please contact Teresa Arrigo at t.arrigo@virgin.net.

Counting Rota Your new rota is available from the relevant pigeon hole in the porch and/or has been emailed to you. If you have any queries, please contact Claudia.

Flower Arranging Meeting On Saturday, 16th July at 10am in the Fisher Room for ladies interested in joining the flower arranging group in Church.

Fairtrade food will be on sale in the Parish exhibition after all masses next weekend. Thank you for your support over the past year & the stall will re-open in September.

St Edmund Campion Relic The Relic of St Edmund Campion, the London Saint, will be brought back to St John Fisher Church by

the Knights of Saint Columba to be present in our Sanctuary for the 9.30am Masses on Monday, 12th & Tuesday, 13th July. There will be an opportunity to venerate the Relic after Mass while we recite the Litany of the English Martyrs.

ACAT (Harrow Group) Open Meeting All are invited to a talk by Rhian Beynon of Freedom from Torture at 8pm on Tuesday, 19th July 2016 at Christ Church, Roxeth Hill, HA2 0JN. There is no charge but there will be a collection for Freedom from Torture. Please see poster on noticeboard.

SJF Young Adults Group This is a space for all Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to come together. Everyone is welcome. **We meet on the first Sunday of the month in the Fisher Room after the 11.30am Mass**. Our next meeting is on 4th September. Contact Johnpromise at promisemagnus@yahoo.com.

Quiet Day Churches Together are arranging a day of reflection. It is to be at All Saints Church, Harrow Weald which is an old building within a pleasant rural setting. If you think you may be interested make a note of this early autumn date, Saturday 1st October 2016.

Staff Vacancies St John Fisher School are advertising the following vacancies to start September 2016:

2 x Teaching Assistant, one year fixed term (full time - term time only); 1 x Teaching Assistant, one year fixed term (part time - term time only); Welfare Assistant, permanent, full time (term time only); Clerk to the Governing Body, permanent position. Application pack will be available from Tuesday 5th July on the website www.stjohnfisherschool.co.uk or direct from the school St. John Fisher School, Melrose Road, Pinner HA5 5RA, Tel: 020 8868 2961, Email: office@st-johnfisher.harrow.sch.uk.

Jubilee Mass for Workers and Volunteers of Mercy At 2.00pm on Saturday, 10th September the Cardinal will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Cathedral for all workers and volunteers whose work and voluntary service embodies mercy. This includes, but is no way limited to, those who work in social care in the State or private sector. You are most welcome to participate in this Diocesan event in the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Listen to My Heart Beat is a community art project taking place between 8th and 17th July at 12:00 to 17:00 at the Meanwhile Space, 226 Imperial Drive HA2 7HJ (near Rayners Lane Tube). Participants sit next to an instrument and via a sensor box have their heart beat translated into a musical sound. Up to five people can take part at any time. For more info www.hippiecampus.com

Catenians at St John Fisher This Sunday, the President of the Wembley Circle of the Catenians, John Steinitz, will join us for Mass. John has been a parishioner here for many years and is also a Foundation Governor at St John Fisher Primary School. The 11.30 Mass will be attended by many of his Circle. If you are interested in knowing a bit more about the many varied activities of the Catenians, then please contact John on 07887 710311.

International Day Grand Raffle Prize Winners Please see the list of winners on the noticeboard in the porch.

International Day Thank you all so much for all the effort that was made for the International Day. After expenses were deducted the profit for the day was £10,300 and the parish share of this is £5,150 which is a fantastic result. It is so wonderful to see the parish and school working together. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the day so successful. Here's to next year!