



# St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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## *Easter Sunday and the Second Sunday of Easter*

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### ***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...***

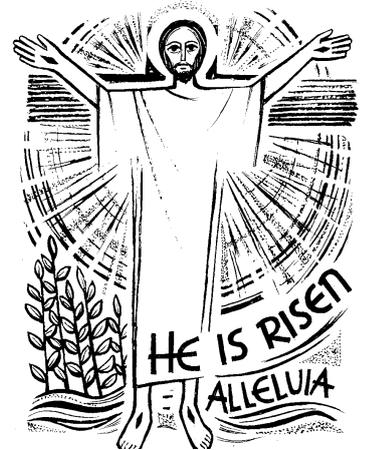
Diversity  
A spirit of hospitality  
The unity that God wills  
Enlightening those who seek God  
Forming small faith communities  
Reaching out to alienated Catholics  
Reverencing the dignity of each person  
Caring for the needs of the less fortunate  
Empowering Christians to realise their call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

Sometimes the world can appear to be a very dark place. Quite recently we have all been made aware of this because of the terrorist attack that took place on Westminster bridge which injured so many people and cost five individuals their lives. A young mother, two tourists, an old age pensioner and policeman. Each of them just going about their business or doing their job.

Then came that dreadful moment when their lives were taken away. Consequently, the lives of those they loved have been changed forever. They were forced to come to terms with a new reality and the enduring pain of the loss of the people that they loved.

The brutality of what human beings are capable of continues to be acted out in the atrocities that are committed in Syria, where life seems to be viewed as an expendable commodity. We look on aghast as the lifeless bodies of children and adults are pulled from the rubble of bombed-out buildings.

We could so easily give into despair, but we don't. What helps us to overcome our grief and lack of hope is the story of a man who was betrayed, brutalised, executed and abandoned. The story of a man who promised us that he would not abandon us, though we would abandon him. The story of a man, who took a hopeless situation and brought hope to it. The story of a man who refused to stop trusting in the love of his Father. The story of a man who placed himself into the hands of his enemies so that he could achieve the ultimate victory and restore our friendship with God. This man was Jesus of Nazareth, who showed us through the actions of his life, by the reality of his death and by the wonder of his resurrection that he is the Son of God and that through him eternal life is given to us.



And so, all over the world, our Alleluia is sung out. We know that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and because of this, no matter what life throws at us, we will be saved, we will be healed and we will know the fullness of life with the God who loves us.

Our challenge this Easter is to continue to live out the message of the gospel. To be ambassadors for Christ, to live faith filled lives and to speak words of hope, encouragement and healing, so that the wounds that humanity bears might experience the healing love of the Father of life. I wish you all the joy and blessings of Easter. Alleluia, Christ is risen!

*Fr Shaun*

## Mass Times & Intentions

### *The Easter Vigil*

09.30 Morning Prayer

20.00 People of the Parish

### *Easter Sunday*

08.30 Michael Hughes (Anniv)

10.00 Honor & Richard O'Connor (Anniv)

11.30 All deceased members of Ryan, Crick, Cornally & Moore Families RIP

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April - Octave of Easter**

11.00 Gerald Carter RIP

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April - Octave of Easter**

09.30 In Thanksgiving – Kantha Ranasinghe & Family

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April - Octave of Easter**

19.00 Mr. Victor & Mrs. Winifred Fontgalan RIP

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April - Octave of Easter**

09.30 Doreen Williams RIP

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April - Octave of Easter**

09.30 Nonna Ferrigno RIP

### **11.00 Requiem Mass for June Collins RIP**

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 Joseph Thiruchelvam (Anniv)

### *Second Sunday of Easter*

08.30 People of the Parish

10.00 Eric Savundranayagam (Anniv)

11.30 Wojciech Mlek RIP, Eugenia & Jozef Sulikowski RIP & Family

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April – ST GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England**

09.30 Kathleen Middleton (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April – ST MARK, Evangelist

09.30 Helen Gallagher RIP

### **11.00 Requiem Mass for Margaret Locascio RIP**

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Easter feria

19.00 Adrian Taylor RIP

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Easter feria

09.30 Eric Savundranayagam (Anniv)

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Easter feria

09.30 Judy Tyrrell 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 ring either Katherine on 020 8868 8512 or Tony on 020 8868 3205.)*

**Recently Deceased**, Madeline Borio, June Collins, Paul Sturgess, Phyllis Bolger, Mary McRae.

**Pray Also For** Michael Hughes, Honor & Richard O'Connor, Joseph Thiruchelvam, Eric Savundranayagam, Kathleen Middleton, Teresa Kitchie, Joe & Nora Broderick, Mary Maher, Seamus O'Brien, Richard Plesner, Theresa Sundaram, Irene Hurst, Michael Hughes, Bridget Byrne, Trenton "Lloyd" Henry, Helen McNamara, Alice Tobin, Nellie Connolly, William O'Riordan, James Pettifer, Tom McCann, John Manners, Andrew Blyth, Karl Smol, Mary Chute, Pauline Egan, Mary Parker, Charles Contaminard, Molly Hurley, Brendon Lyons, Christopher Dent, John Maher, Richard Murray, Christina Cousins, Bill Williams, Janet Pyne, Francisco D'Cruz, Ina Valerie, Joe Dias, Noel Ryan, Violet Harris, John O'Brien, Lilien Whitfield, Tom Hayes, Eileen Lee, Kathleen Lucas, Kathleen Allen and Ellen Downes whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Welcome** Zoe, Modupe, Joy, Denisha and Rohena who through the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil have become full members of our Community.

**Please Remember** June Collins who has died. Her Requiem Mass is on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> April at 11.00am at St John Fisher Church followed by interment at Pinner New Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

**Funeral of Madeline Rosemary Borio** On Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April at 1.00pm at Pinner New Cemetery Chapel followed by interment at Carpenders Park Cemetery.

**Social Club Quiz Night** The Social Club are holding a quiz night on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 8pm in the parish hall. Entrance is £3 per person. During the evening teas & coffees will be available & if you're feeling a bit peckish we will also have freshly made ploughman's 'suppers' for sale. 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](mailto:durcanjohn@aol.com).

**Concert at St John Fisher** Please give a very warm welcome and support to those who suffer from learning difficulties. "More than just a choir" will give a concert to that effect on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Proceeds shared between the choir and parish funds. Ticket £5.00, tea and coffee provided.

**The Pylon Summer edition 2017** Please send news items/photos from your church groups, articles, short stories, poems, recipes, holiday/theatre/book recommendations - anything you feel would be of interest. We are looking for contributions from all age groups. Deadline: Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> 2017. Please email [barbaratowell@sky.com](mailto:barbaratowell@sky.com) or place in pigeonhole for Barbara Towell or Geraldine Kennedy. Thank you in advance.

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

**Bethany Group** Next meeting on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm.

**Knitting Group** will meet on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm in the Fisher Room. All donations of wool will be very welcome which can be dropped off in the presbytery.

**Harrow Citizens** The second part of the Harrow Citizens training will take place at St Peters Church, Sumner Road, Harrow HA1 4BX on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> May at 2-5pm. Harrow Citizens will officially launch on the evening of Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> May. Venue and time to be confirmed. If you feel you would like to work for a better community and a more just society why not get involved.

**Diocese of Westminster Job Vacancies** For more info please visit <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/>.

**Getting Married** Please remember that it is a requirement of the Bishops Conference of England and Wales that at least six months notice be given if you intend to get married. We need this time to process the paperwork and to ensure that you can have access to Marriage Preparation.

**Leaving the Parish or Change of Address?** Please advise Claudia McHugh on [claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk) or 020 8429 5681 so we may amend our records. Thank you.

**New to the Parish?** Please make yourself known after Mass to either Fr Shaun or Kay O'Connor so you may be registered and provided with all the relevant information. A welcome pack is available from the wall rack in the Church porch.

**Theology on Tap – "The Trinity"** Our next session takes place in the Parish Bar on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm, when we will be thinking about The Trinity. All are welcome to come and explore the mystery of divine identity.