



St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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9th July 2017 ~ Fourteenth Sunday of the Year A

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

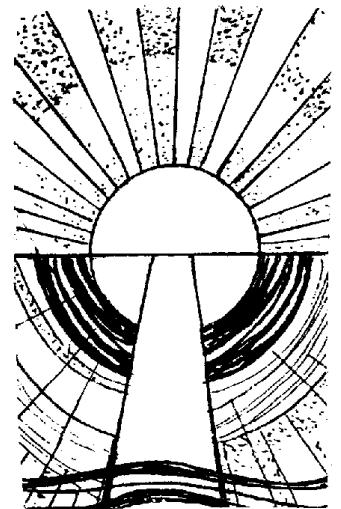
We Celebrate...

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

God reveals himself to us in Christ. But God isn't all that Jesus reveals - he also reveals us to ourselves, shows us what our humanity is called to be. Jesus thanks God his Father for revealing mysteries - and among them is the identity of Jesus - he is the Son of the Father. And in so doing, he reveals the identity he has in store for us, that we too should become children of God. This revelation is not made to the wise, but to infants, in other words, to us. This reveals who all of us are who accept the words of Christ, that we are tiny brothers and sisters of the Son of God, who have been given a new birth and a new identity.

Jesus also reveals that he gives rest to those who learn from him. The very next thing that happens in the Gospel is a dispute between Jesus and those learned in the law about keeping the sabbath. The sabbath was a day of rest to anticipate our final sharing in the rest of God, who rested on the seventh day after his work of creation. In the story of creation, God rested after his work of creating all things, including us in his own image. If we are the people who have found rest in Christ, this can only be because a great work has been completed, and we need have no cause to labour at it.

This work is a new creation. We have been created anew in the image of Christ, adopted as children of God. This work has been done through the Spirit of Christ, and we have been made Christ's. This is why Paul tells us that we are in the Spirit. If we must continue to resist sin, it is not because we are still sinners. Instead it is because we are called to participate in the victory of Christ, because we are already Christ's. If we continue to labour, it is because the work of making us children of God is already done: we labour not to become God's children, but to live as the people we already are. That this work is done is no cause for laxity, but for rejoicing.



And when we are forgiven, we are not just reconciled to God and the Church: we are reconciled to ourselves, our true selves. Resist every case of mistaken identity! Do not forget who you are, and who your neighbour is. If we forget, we can do only damage; but if we remember, then God will bring to perfection the good work he has begun in us, and we shall rest in him forever.

Fr Shaun

Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 8th July 2017 (First Mass of Sunday)

18.00 Constance Tobin RIP

Sunday 9th – 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

08.30 Tony Dellamura & Family RIP

10.00 Daniel Gilmartin RIP

11.30 Mary McRae RIP

Monday 10th – Feria

09.30 Mary Donetti RIP

Tuesday 11th – ST BENDICT, Abbot, Patron of Europe

09.30 Julie Rodrigues RIP

Wednesday 12th – Feria

19.00 People of the Parish

Thursday 13th – Feria

09.30 Private Intention

Friday 14th – Feria

09.30 Julie Rodrigues 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, Johanna Liecinieks, Antony Wenceslous.

Pray Also For Bartholomew Hourihan, Richard Rossington, Ann Attwood, David Kennedy, Margaret Bladun, Mary Ann Brady, Douglas Wilton, Michael Mulvaney, Alison Smith, Bridie Fitzgerald, Mary McKenna, Nancy Martin, John Hughes, Bruno Zanelli and Dorothy Payne whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please Remember Mary Coen who has died. Requiem Mass on Monday, 17th July at 11.00am at St John Fisher followed by committal at Breakspear Crematorium. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

Please Remember Johanna Liecinieks who has died. Requiem Mass on Tuesday, 18th July at 11.00am at St John Fisher followed by committal at Pinner New Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

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 10th and Tuesday 11th July. There will be an opportunity to venerate the Relic after Mass while we recite the Litany of the English Martyrs.

Summer Coffee & Cocktail Morning – Sunday, 9th July Two weeks before the schools break up, you can have a taste of the holidays at your "Spanish flavoured" event, after 10am and 11.30am mass. Please join us in the Parish Centre for refreshments, spend some time with your parish friends, and make some new ones, in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Tea, coffee, soft drinks, scones and cakes will be available as usual, but this time we will also have Sangria and some savoury snacks (tapas), to help us get in the holiday mood, whether we are staying at home, or travelling further afield. Please also support the raffle which will be on display in the porch after all masses that weekend, whether you can attend the event or not (£1 a ticket) as all proceeds go to parish funds. The draw takes place at the event after 11.30am mass.

SJF Ladies Club – Film Night On Wednesday, 12th July after 7pm Mass in the Fisher Room. The film will be "Wuthering Heights" (latest adaptation). £1 towards refreshments incl. ice cream - everyone welcome.

Summer Literary Evening – Thursday, 13th July in St. John Fisher Parish Centre, Cost £4 (Licensed Bar), doors open 7pm. Hosted by The Parish Women's Group with Pinner Writers Group. We would like to invite all members of the Parish, their friends and family to what promises to be an enjoyable evening of readings from original creative writing, music, an exhibition of work and book sale of the authors' published works. Special guests: *Judy Karbritz*, our Harrow Community Poet plus local author *Kay Seeley*. Tickets from Barbara Towell: 8866 6665 - or on the door.

Bethany Group The next meeting for members will be on Thursday, 13th July at 7.30pm.

Fairtrade stall will be open next weekend in the porch after all masses. Come and stock up before the summer break. Thank you for your support over the past year and we will be back in the autumn.

SJF Young Adults Group This is a space for all Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to come together, get more involved in the life of the parish and the diocese, discuss and grow in their faith. Everyone is welcome. **We meet on the first Sunday of the month in the Fisher Room after the 11.30am Mass.** *There are no meetings held in August and September* - our next meeting is on 1st October 2017. Contact Johnpromise at promisemagnus@yahoo.com. Facebook 'SJF Young Adults'.

St Andrew's Church Roxbourne - Jubilee Flower and Music Festival On Friday 14th July to Monday, 17th July 2017. Floral displays, exhibition, musical events and refreshments. St John Fisher Church will be participating and displaying a "Sapphire" exhibit. For times, please see poster in the Church porch or www.standrewsroxbourne.org.uk. St Andrew's Church, 89 Malvern Avenue, Harrow HA2 9ER.

Faithcafé - Tuesday 18th July 2017 at Most Sacred Heart Church, Ruislip We shall be discussing via café Video the life of **St Ignatius of Loyola** – Founder of the "Society of Jesus" - *Serving the Catholic Church for the greater glory of God.* "Jesuits" and well known for his spiritual exercises. Discovering life's journey - Finding God in all things. Social together at 7.30pm. We start at 7.30pm to 9.30pm.

Building on Success at Salvatorian College You may have noticed some changes if you have passed Salvatorian College recently, with the erection of hoardings to enable preparatory works for the College Rebuild. Over the summer Kier Construction will take over the site and begin works to demolish existing buildings to enable the first phase of new building. This is a significant milestone in the transformation of the College, building on a 'Good' Ofsted rating awarded in January, and having achieving the best A*-C GCSE results for boys in Harrow last year. From September 2017, Salvatorian College is entering into a partnership with the Cardinal Hume Academies Trust, one of the most successful Catholic Academy chains in the country. The Trust is led by Executive Head teacher, Mr Martin Tissot, who will assume strategic leadership for the College from September following the departure of Mr Paul Kassapian. There are a few places remaining for admission to Year 7 in Sept 2017, which can be applied for through www.eadmissions.org.uk. Applications for the 2018/19 academic year (the first year to be accommodated in the new building) will open in October 2017 through eAdmissions. More information is available on the college website www.salvatoriancollege.com.