



# St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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## 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 ~ 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

#### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

<b>30<sup>th</sup> Sat</b>	<b>(Vigil of Sunday)</b>
6.00pm	Private Int of Adrian Ratnayake
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sun</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
8.30am	Clive Johnson RIP
10.00am	People of the Parish
11.30am	Nora May Hayes RIP Anniv
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Mon</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Kieran Markey RIP
<b>10.45am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass for Jack Hoddinott RIP</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Tue</b>	<b>ST THOMAS, Apostle</b>
9.30am	Paddy Greene RIP
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Wed</b>	<b>Feria - no mass</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Thu</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Madge Carroll
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Fri</b>	<b>Feria</b>
9.30am	Dan Donoghue
<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Adoration &amp; Benediction</b>

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45pm  
and by appointment

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 8.15am – 9.15am  
First Friday 10am - 11am (concluding with Benediction)

#### Baptisms

First Saturday at Noon

#### Next Sunday's Readings:

Ezekiel 2:2-5, 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, Mark 6 1:6

### *Do not be afraid. Only have faith.*

We all have people we love and whom, like Jairus, distraught over his daughter, we think we've lost: loved ones who have discarded any need for the Church. Perhaps they don't find it meaningful. Maybe there is some barrier or obstacle keeping them from coming. Maybe there are elements they just don't understand. But at the very least, before ever I abandon it, I would like to be able to say in all honesty that I have given faith a fighting chance. A faith that is still ready to hope in what others may have discarded. Because the greatest argument for Christianity is the Christian life – no one can disregard a faith which is able to make a person good. I don't know how to describe faith, but I know that a life without it is too narrow a space to live in. And I know that faith gives a certain shape to our lives, that can be seen. Because faith is not defined as much by creeds and doctrines as it is by what it looks like, by the sort of life it produces. Faith is not the opposite of doubt: it lives with doubts and yet still finds a way to believe. Faith that is not just a set of doctrines that we believe or the membership of a church, or a creed we recite or a ceremony we go through, but an orientation, a new way of walking, a journey with a destination, but that destination is not a place, it's a new way of seeing, because faith tells me that there has to be meaning and growth even in the mess. Faith that is a lived conviction, deliberate confidence in the character of God: it means living with uncertainty – feeling our way along the walls of life, letting our hearts guide us like a lantern in the dark. But in the end, it's faith that makes life bearable, with all its heartbreaks and uncertainties and sudden startling joys. *Do not be afraid. Only have faith.*

***"I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me"***

*Psalm 30*

A blessed week ahead,

*Fr Christopher Clohessy*

**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 Katherine on 020 8868 8512 or Tony on 020 8868 3205. If you would like to be visited by a priest and/or regularly with Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

**Recently Deceased**, Ray Griffin, Bridget Morley, Kieran Markey, Lisa Tanner.

**Pray also For** Nora May Hayes, Veridiana D'Silva, William Wright, John Dellamura, Kevin Nolan, Annie Fernandes, Bernard Harris, Julie Goulding, Sean Rynne, Maria Kowalewicz, Robin Shortland, Antonipillai Saverimuttu, Mary McWilliams, Mary Malone, Muriel O'Connor, John Rossington, Martin Mahon, Apondak Dut, Margaret Burton, Constance Donnelly, Johanna Liecinieks, Agnes Cunningham, Cyril Fernandes, Mavis Furnell, Bernie Leonard, Louisa Di Martino, Angela Salvi whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Please Remember** Jack Hoddinott who has died. Requiem Mass at St John Fisher on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 10.45am followed by committal at Breakspear Crematorium. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

**Parishioner Gatherings!** In the recent get-togethers with small groups of parishioners, we've been talking about the parish, what works well and what we could do better. The meetings typically last no more than an hour and a half and involve simple refreshments. It seems to work best when people host them in their homes. Some dates at the end of July that are available for this include:

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – evening
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July – afternoon or evening
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July – evening

If you would like to host an event, please e-mail Fr Graham or leave a message and he will get back to you after his break. If you want to suggest another time then please do!

**The Pylon Summer Edition** is now available to view at <https://stjohnfisher.files.wordpress.com/2018/06/summer-2018.pdf>.

**Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Rotas** Please collect your new rotas for 23<sup>rd</sup> June to 12<sup>th</sup> August 2018 from the relevant pigeonhole in the Church porch.

**Welcome Ministry Rota** Please collect your new rota from the relevant pigeonhole in the Church porch. We need more volunteers so if you are interested or no longer want to be on the rota, please contact Sue Moriarty at [suemoriarty@sky.com](mailto:suemoriarty@sky.com).

**Knights of St. Columba** Next meeting on Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> July at 8pm in the Social Club.

**St Edmund Champion Relic** The Relic of St Edmund Champion, 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 9<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. There will be an opportunity to venerate the Relic after Mass while we recite the Litany of the English Martyrs.

**Winners of The Pylon Creative Writing Competition** for Young Parishioners are: **Arutsiuka Christhuthananthar** for older age group and **Shaun Thevasothy** for the younger one. Would they

please contact Barbara Towell in order to receive their prize of £10. email address: [barbaratowell@sky.com](mailto:barbaratowell@sky.com).

**Flower and Music Festival** reflecting 'Bible Stories' at St Thomas More Church, Eastcote on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. Several parishioners from St John Fisher are taking part in the festival. For more information, please see the notice board in the Church porch.

**Porto & Santiago de Compostela** 25-31 October 2018 with Pax Travel. Cost £899 or less. Details in porch. Please contact Neil Cocking to register your interest as soon as possible on 07850 790747 / [neilcocking@outlook.com](mailto:neilcocking@outlook.com).

**Sick List** If, in the past, you have asked for someone to be put on the sick list it would be very much appreciated if you could let Claudia know whether that person should be taken off – hopefully because they are now better.

**In case you are admitted to hospital** In light of data protection, please indicate on entering hospital that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also, state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit you.

**Mass Intentions** Thank you for your mass intentions which are greatly appreciated. We have Mass cards in the Church porch: for the living and for the dead. The cards are 50p each (please put money in 'papers' box at the back of the Church) and the offering suggested by the Diocese for a Mass is £10. If, however, you cannot afford this, £5 will suffice. If you would like to have a Mass offered, please contact Claudia on 020 8429 5681 or [claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:claudiamchugh@rcdow.org.uk).

**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 Graham 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.

**St John Fisher Picnic** Many thanks to everyone who came to celebrate our patronal feast last Sunday.

**Diocese of Westminster Vacancies** Please visit <http://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs/> where you can view all current vacancies.

**Sea Sunday - 8<sup>th</sup> July** Next week is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. There are gift aid envelopes and prayer cards available from the Church porch. For more information about its work, visit [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk).