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26th May 2019 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 25th May 2019

25 th Sat	(Vigil of Sunday) 6.00pm Rose Ena King RIP Anniv
26 th Sun	6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8.30am Queenie Lee RIP Anniv 10.00am People of the Parish 11.30am Sadie Horan RIP Anniv
27 th Mon	ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop 11.00am Joseph Fernandes RIP Anniv
28 th Tue	Easter feria 9.30am Patrick McCormack
29 th Wed	Easter feria - No Mass
30 th Thu	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Holy Day of Obligation 12.30pm Olivia & Christopher Thomson – Wedding Anniversary 7.00pm Patrick Joseph Moloney 4 th RIP Anniv
31 st Fri	THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 9.30am John O'Leary (Sick)

(no Saturday morning mass this week)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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:

Acts 7:55-60, Apocalypse 22:12-14, 16-17.20, John 17:20-26

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU! A PARISH WEEKEND 22/23 JUNE



We need your support over the weekend of 22/23 June. There will be a lot happening in our parish that weekend. As with so much of what we do it relies on your time, effort and support to be a joyful success!

On the **22nd June** we have the **International Day at St John Fisher Primary School** in Melrose Avenue/Cambridge Road. It is our annual joint parish and school summer fair which was a great success last year. It was a joy to meet so many families in a relaxed atmosphere amidst glorious sunshine as I was staffing the raffle stall with the other school governors. The notice in this week's newsletter alerts you to what is requested as well as drawing your attention to the sign-up sheets at the back of Church. And of course please support the fair on the day!

Then on **23rd June** we will be celebrating **Corpus Christi**, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, **together with our patronal feast of St John Fisher and 80th anniversary**. We will move the 11.30am mass to 12midday and follow it with a **Blessed Sacrament Procession** and a barbeque. Just like with Carnevale earlier in the year we will need help preparing, cooking, serving and clearing up. The sign-up sheets for this event will appear shortly. We are also blessed to be able to welcome **Bishop John Sherrington** to that mass, procession and celebration. I hope many of those children who made their First Holy Communion recently will be able to join the procession in their First Communion outfits just as I remember doing as a child!

Please keep the success of these events in your prayers and be generous in your support for your parish.

Every blessing for the week ahead.

Fr Graham

MARIAN ANTHEM FOR MAY

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray to God for us, alleluia.

REGULAR NOTICES

Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the noticeboard 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 Donal Quinn, Margaret Heffernan, Thomas Griffin.

Pray also for Rose Ena King, Queenie Lee, Sadie Horan, Joseph Fernandes, Patrick Joseph Moloney, Mai Dineen, Regina Emmanuel, Sarah Madden, Ronald Martin, Julie Wilson, Julia Reilly, Jean McSweeney, Ciara Carvell, Brendan Connolly, Violet Hayes, Vincent Breen, Bob Howard, Kathy Casey, Kay McGrath, Jack Keane, Walter Hickey, Mick McBreen, Noreen Simpson whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Ordination to Sacred Priesthood of Rev. Johnpromise Umeozuru will take place on **Saturday, 20th July 2019** at 11am at St John's Catholic Cathedral Portsmouth, Bishop Crispian Way, PO1 3HQ. We hope to arrange a coach but will need a coordinator to have oversight of this trip. Can you volunteer to take on that role? If so, please contact the parish office.

Bank Holiday Mass – Monday, 27th May Please note mass will take place at **11.00am**. The earlier time than past bank holidays will hopefully make it easier for more people to attend.

Holy Day of Obligation – Ascension of the Lord Thursday, 30th May 2019 There will be Masses at 12.30pm and 7.00pm.

Car Park Tidy-up On **Saturday, 8th June** 10.30am – 12 Noon in preparation for the 80th Anniversary celebrations and Bishop John Sherrington's visit on 23rd June. Many hands make light work to fill a skip. Please book the date in your diary.

Saturday 9.30am morning masses in June – Mass will be celebrated in the parish at 9.30am on Saturdays 8th, 22nd and 29th June.

Alarm Codes/Keys Following recent break-ins at local churches, we are introducing a new alarm code next month to the church security alarm. All users will be required to sign for the code and asked not to pass it on to others. This will enable us to have an accurate record of who has the code for insurance purposes.

Knitting Group will meet on **Friday, 14th & 28th June 2019** at 2pm in the Fisher Room. All welcome.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham On **Saturday 21st September** we will be joining the Cardinal on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham, the National Shrine to Our Lady. The cost of the day including return coach travel from St John Fisher is £20. **More details and booking forms are now available from the Church porch.**

'Across the Years 1939 - 2019: St John Fisher Parish Remembers' event on 12th October 2019 Do you have any early photos of St. John Fisher Parish building or events? John and Barbara Towell would appreciate a loan of these for possible inclusion in a presentation. If you can help, please phone John & Barbara (020 8866 6665) or leave your photos in the Parish Office.

Priest Training Fund You can still return your donation leaflets. If you do not have one there are still plenty available at the back of the Church. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

International Day at St John Fisher School – 22nd June 2019

All stalls need Volunteers to help on the day If you are free for an hour or two or all of the day, please contact Claudia at the presbytery or Alison 020 8427 2910 alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com.

International Kitchen The sign-up sheets for donations of food and volunteers are at the back of the Church. Please drop off dishes directly to the school kitchen on the day from 11am – disposable containers where possible. If you can spare an hour to help serve in the kitchen, please sign up on the separate sheet in the porch.

Books This year we would ask if you could donate only books in good condition and saleable. *Please do not send in school revision and exam syllabus books or videos.*

Cakes of all descriptions – sponge cakes, fruitcakes, tray bakes, small cakes, muffins, cupcakes, biscuits, fruit loaves, whatever you want to make/donate are all urgently needed for the **Cake** stall and **Tea/Coffee** stall. Cakes can be left at the School or Church on Friday or at the school on Saturday morning. Please contact Alison Jackson if you need to make arrangements for collection.

Bottles for the Tombola, Jolly Jars, “posh” bags, and clean teddies, are all needed and can be left in the porch. See below.

Calling all gardeners The Plant Stall continues to be a success and we are once again appealing for your donations. It would be great if you are planting seeds you could sow a few extra, or maybe you could take some cuttings from garden plants/herbs to put in pots and **remember to label**, or plant up a hanging basket/patio pot.

Reminder NO bric-a-brac this year so please do not leave any at the Church.

Please bring your donations to the Church porch on **Friday, 21st June before 10.30am** when they will be transported to the school. There is nowhere to store donations left in the porch prior that Friday.

Parish Anniversary Celebration – 23rd June 2019

Please keep this date for your diaries. Corpus Christi procession and parish barbeque after 12noon mass (changed from 11.30am) led by Bishop John Sherrington. Your help will be needed on the day!

St John Fisher Social Club - FAMILY POOL COMPETITION

Are you interested in entering an evening Pool Competition at St John Fisher Social Club? The committee would like to gauge the level of interest, from Parishioners, or friends and family of Parishioners, for a Pool Competition to be held in the Church Hall and Social Club. Please visit <https://stjohnfisheronline.org.uk/st-john-fisher-social-events> for more details and register your interest and any preferences. *St John Fisher Social Club Committee*

DIOCESAN AND DEANERY NOTICES

'Rediscovering the Holy Spirit through Scripture' presented by Brian Purfield who delivered our well-received Churches Together Lenten talks. A series of 4 talks, to delve deeper into the Scriptures and rediscover the identity of the Holy Spirit, 4th – 25th June, 7.30pm at Our Lady & St Thomas of Canterbury, Harrow-on-the-Hill, £4. Please register by emailing hollycook@rcdow.org.uk. See poster on porch noticeboard.