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21st July 2019 ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr C)

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 20th July 2019

20th Sat	Bl Virgin Mary on Saturday 9.30am Anna Carey - 90 th Birthday (Vigil of Sunday) 6.00pm Geraldine, Phyllis & Christy Conlon RIP
21st Sun	16 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8.30am Diluksha Dealwis (1 st RIP Anniv) 10.00am People of the Parish 11.30am Katherine & John Hayes RIP
22nd Mon	ST MARY MAGDALENE 9.30am Mike Wicker RIP
23rd Tue	ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, Patron of Europe 9.30am James Monaghan RIP
24th Wed	St Sharbel Makhluaf, Priest - <i>No Mass</i>
25th Thu	ST JAMES, Apostle 7.00pm Sally Sloane RIP Anniv
26th Fri	Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9.30am Catharine & Edward Barker RIP
27th Sat	Bl Virgin Mary on Saturday 9.30am Michael Galvin RIP 1.30pm Nuptial Mass for Marriage of Paul Nestor and Katie Murphy

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:

Genesis 18:20-32, Colossians 2:12-14, Luke 11:1-13

HOLIDAY SEASON



I feel truly blessed being able to write this having come back from a great holiday. It doesn't take long to get back into the rhythm of things yet that too is a good thing; I remember how difficult it was to adjust to being back in the parish when I returned home from my first Summer holiday as a priest! Coming back to St John Fisher was made easier by the good memories of the weekend of the International Day and then the Corpus Christi Celebration and Anniversary Barbecue, It was marvellous to see so many people coming together to support our parish and its school! Thanks for all your hard work and being part of those days.

I am conscious that many of you will be leaving Harrow for a while over these next few weeks for your summer break. I hope you have a truly refreshing and rejuvenating time. As I told the children at the school's end of year Mass, remember that the Summer holidays are not a holiday from Jesus! I expect that many of you may not be able to take a holiday. You may have commitments at work or be unable to afford to go away. Perhaps you are caring for a loved one and are unable or uncomfortable about going away? Perhaps you are unwell yourself or simply have nobody to go away with? Whatever the reason I hope that you at least get the opportunity to avail of the different rhythm of life that the warm weather and school holidays bring.

Please keep in your prayer this weekend Rev. Johnpromise Umeozuru on his ordination to Priesthood in Portsmouth.

Every blessing for the week ahead.

Fr Graham

**“Come to me, all you who labour
and are overburdened, and I will
give you rest”**

Matthew 11:28

80th Anniversary of First Mass
at St John Fisher Church
Sunday, 28th July 2019

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 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.

Pray also for Diluksha Dealwis, Sally Sloane, Paddy O'Brien, Blanche Contaminard, Beatrice Pereira, Thomas Morris, Bridget Byrne, Ida Bastiampillai, Mary Cleary, John Bennet, Caroline Reddyhoff, Jim Leeson, Christopher Mortimer, Mauro Chelotti, John Malone, Alice Thoumine, Jean Cross, James Ashe whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Baptisms We welcome Bobby Hingerton, Gracelyn Pereira and Deanna Rodrigues who are being baptised in our church this weekend.

Change of Mass Time – On **Thursday, 25th July** the Parish Mass will take place at **7.00pm** rather than 12.30pm as Fr Graham and many of the priests of our Diocese will be attending the installation of Bishop John Wilson as Archbishop of Southwark.

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Rotas for 20th July to 16th September 2019 are now available on the parish website. Please contact the parish office if you require a paper copy.

Confirmation 2020 Applications for the Sacrament of Confirmation are now available for those currently in school year 8 or above. If you would like to be considered for Confirmation you will need to download the Initial Application Form from our website and return the completed form to Kay by this Sunday, 21st July 2019.

Friday Coffee Morning On the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Fridays of the month, there is a chance for parishioners to meet after Mass over a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit in the Fisher Room. All are welcome. New volunteers are always appreciated to help with the refreshments or even to demonstrate their baking skills!

Parish 80th Anniversary Celebration Thank you to all who helped and took part in the Mass, Corpus Christi Procession and Anniversary Celebrations on Sunday 23rd June. It was a fitting climax to our year and Bishop John Sherrington enjoyed his time amongst us so much that he has asked to come back!

International Day The final figures are now in and a total of £7,862 was raised for our parish primary school and church at the International Day. We are grateful to all of you who donated food, plants and goods and those who helped in any way before and on the day, as well as those who came to support the fair! We are also indebted to the Friends of St John Fisher School for all their hard work in organising the day.

Sick List If you have asked for someone's name to be added to the list of sick people seeking our prayers, 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. We will begin praying for the sick by name at our Saturday morning masses.

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

Pilgrimage to Walsingham On Saturday 21st September we will be joining the Cardinal and many other parishes from across Westminster Diocese on the Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham, the National Shrine to Our Lady. The cost of the day including return luxury coach travel from St John Fisher is £20. **More details & booking forms are available from the Church porch.** Please come and join us on this day of prayer, friendship and pilgrimage in the beautiful Norfolk countryside. The theme of the pilgrimage this year is "Blessed are the poor, for the Kingdom of God is theirs." The deadline for returning the form and payment is **7th September, 2019.**

'Announced' Mass Intentions Having a mass publicly offered for someone who has recently died or on an anniversary of death or for someone who is ill or for any other intention is a long-standing practice in the Church. It can be a great source of hope and consolation. As a parish we greatly appreciate your mass intentions and the associated offerings which contribute towards the priest's day to day living costs, his 'stipend.' The offering suggested by the Diocese for a Mass is £10. If you cannot afford this please do remember that this is a suggested offering and that there is no charge for the Sacraments; we are happy to receive more or less than the suggested amount! We have a selection of Mass cards in the Church porch priced at 50p each (please put money in 'papers' box at the back of the Church) If you would like to have a Mass offered, please contact Claudia in the parish office.

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.

In case you or a loved one are admitted to hospital. Please indicate on entering hospital that your/their details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain. Also, state that you would like the RC Chaplain to visit. Contact details for the hospital chaplain, Fr Agustin Paunon, and the chaplaincy team at Northwick Park Hospital can be found at the back of the Church.

DIOCESAN AND DEANERY NOTICES

A Day with Mary – a day of instruction, devotion & intercession at St Mary of the Angels, Moorehouse Road, W2 on Saturday, 10th August 2019 10am-5.30pm. For more info please see poster on the Church noticeboard.

Diocesan Vacancies If you or your friends and family are looking for a new opportunity with the Diocese of Westminster, please visit our website <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>.

'The Summit' – a gathering for young people at Westminster Cathedral on 18th October. All young people of the diocese are invited to 'The Summit' at Westminster Cathedral on Friday 18th October 2019, 6.30pm to 8pm, for an evening of inspiring reflections, contemporary worship music and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Cardinal Nichols and Brenden Thompson from Catholic Voices will be leading the reflections and the evening promises to be a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our faith together. Please come along and encourage your friends, families, classes, youth groups, confirmation groups and any other young people you know to join us. More information at <https://dowym.com/events/the-summit-westminster-cathedral/>