



# St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

## North Harrow

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26<sup>th</sup> April 2020 ~ 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Week beginning Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April

**Sunday Mass livestreamed on  
'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel**

**all other masses livestreamed on  
'St John Fisher North Harrow' Facebook page  
(except Wednesday)**

- 25<sup>th</sup> Sat** ST MARK, Evangelist  
9.30am Mary Smith RIP
- 26<sup>th</sup> Sun** 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  
10.30am People of the Parish & Scaria Joseph RIP
- 27<sup>th</sup> Mon** Easter feria  
9.30am Margaret Triay RIP
- 28<sup>th</sup> Tue** Easter feria  
9.30am Mary Standon RIP anniv
- 29<sup>th</sup> Wed** ST CATHERINE OF SIENNA, virgin & doctor  
Kay Thomson
- 30<sup>th</sup> Thu** St Pius V  
9.30am Frank O'Neill RIP
- 1<sup>st</sup> Fri** St Joseph the Worker  
9.30am Donal Ryan RIP
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat** St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor  
9.30am Martin Wareing - thanksgiving

During the Covid-19 restrictions:

**Baptisms** – in emergency

**Funerals** – at cemetery or crematorium chapel with Memorial Mass after lifting of restrictions

**Sacrament of the Sick** – in usual manner by request; in Northwick Park Hospital contact Fr Agustin Paunon, RC chaplain, via ward staff

clickable links:

**You Tube – St John Fisher North Harrow**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxvgJPwPWdVuAJ0IIPGmhEA>

**Facebook - @StJohnFisherNorthHarrow**

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnFisherNorthHarrow/>

### PRIEST SCHOOL



source: [www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000hmvf](http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000hmvf)

After Easter priests often have a short break away. Often Rome is a popular option at this time of year as the weather is nice but not too hot to be visiting a large city and it's a good time to catch up with those working and studying there as well!

This year it is quite different! Therefore I'd encourage you to do like me and take a virtual break to Rome and in particular to visit the Scots' College where men from Scotland train for the priesthood. BBC Scotland have produced an hour long documentary of the life of those training to be priests in Rome. It is a fascinating programme that gives an insight into the life, background and character of those men who offer themselves to the Church 'north of the border.'

You can find the programme on the BBC I-Player by searching for 'Priest School' or looking under the category 'Scotland'

Enjoy!

*Happy Easter!*

In the **Year of The Word** why not read and reflect on next Sunday's Readings with 'The Wednesday Word'?  
Acts 2:14,36--47, 1 Peter 2:20-25, John 10:1-10

[www.wednesdayword.com](http://www.wednesdayword.com)

## 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.

If you or a sick relative could benefit from a visit from the parish **St Vincent de Paul Society**, please contact the parish office. If you would like a visit from the priest and/or to regularly receive **Holy Communion**, please contact the parish office.

**Recently deceased:** Maria Pranto, Tita Fisch, Michael Murphy, Mary Hutchinson, Fr Tony Conlon

**Pray also for:** Ina Valerie, Joe Dias, Noel Ryan, Violet Harris, John O'Brien, Jimmy O'Connor, Lilien Whitfield, Tom Hayes, Eileen Lee, Kathleen Lucas, Kathleen Allen, Eric Savundranayagam, Ellen Downes, Pauline French, Mary Standon, Maureen Nolan, Mollie Baldock, Mary Price, Tony Watts, Lawrence Philpott, Herbert Hoffmann and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

## PARISH NOTICES

Please Remember **Lucy Mulvaney** and **John O'Sullivan** who have died. Lucy's funeral service will take place at Pinner New Cemetery at 10.30am on **Tuesday 28th April** and John's funeral service will take place at North Watford Cemetery at 1.30pm on **Wednesday 29th April**. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to their family and friends. Only close family can attend these funerals. Memorial Masses will be celebrated when public health advice allows. May they rest in peace.

All activities in the Church and parish centre are cancelled or suspended. The only Sacrament currently available is the **Sacrament of the Sick** that can be administered as usual upon request to Fr Graham, albeit with suitable precautions.

**Appreciating the Mass** – Fr Graham held the first of two Lenten talks before Easter on this theme. The second one was cancelled. However he hopes to make use of the technology at our fingertips to offer these talks on-line! A 'refresher' on the Liturgy of the Word will take place via 'zoom' at **7.30pm on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May** with the second talk on the Liturgy of the Eucharist at **7.30pm on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**. **If you would like to take part please e-mail [grahamstokes@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:grahamstokes@rcdow.org.uk) by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May for an e-mail invitation.** If you were unable to make it in person before why not join us on-line this time?

**Furlough of Parish Staff** - We have furloughed our Administrator, Nuala Rodger, and our Bookkeeper, FlorAlba Robayo until the end of May. **Please do not phone or email them directly.** Any enquiries should be directed to Fr Graham or Kay O'Connor via e-mail or the main parish number; Kay is working from home.

**Time on your hands? Caritas Westminster** have a number of suggestions for how you can make valuable use of your time ranging from online safeguarding training to sewing scrubs for NHS staff. For more details see their website: <https://www.caritasvs.org.uk/resources.php>

Through Caritas we have also been able to obtain supermarket shopping vouchers to distribute to families in need through St John Fisher Primary School. **Thank you** to all those who support Caritas's work through 'Growing in Faith' or The Cardinal's Lenten Appeal that have made this possible.

**Financial support for of the parish** - Many of you will be facing uncertainties regarding income and employment as a result of the pandemic but **thank you to those of you who able to continue to support the parish financially** at this time through regular giving. If you do not contribute in this way and would like to then the simplest way to donate is with a bank transfer. You may wish to set up a regular standing order at the same time. Our account details are:

Account Name: WRCDT Harrow North  
Sort Code: 40-05-20  
Account Number: 31264834

Please add your Surname and First Name as a reference. If you are a taxpayer please Gift Aid your donation. You can also donate by debit or credit card. For further details and/or to donate please visit our parish website or rcdow micro site and click on the 'donate' tab. Thank you for your support.

**Mass intentions** - During this time we are combining Mass intentions or transferring them to another day. When masses are combined your stipend is sent, with thanks, to the Sick & Retired Priests Fund as we are only able to accept one mass offering per day. If you have a preference for combining or rescheduling please let Fr Graham know. **All Masses booked will be offered.**

**Catholic Papers** – There was no feedback on us ceasing to offer the Catholic Times and Catholic Universe. Therefore we were planning to cease offering the Tablet and Catholic Herald after Easter as take up is so low and often nil. The lockdown has advanced that. If you wish to subscribe to either of these publications you can do so at a reduced price through the following links and have it delivered to your door or computer:

<https://www.thetablet.co.uk/subscribe>  
<https://catholicherald.co.uk/subscribe/>

**Our Confirmation and First Holy Communion celebrations** have been postponed. Developments in the public health advice will determine when these Sacramental celebrations can take place. These may need to have a different flavour and/or take place in the Autumn this year.

**Spiritual Communion** - You are encouraged to gather, especially on a Sunday, as a household and join us in a Spiritual Communion; details on how to make a spiritual Communion are available with this newsletter. **Sunday Mass is live streamed on our 'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel whilst weekday mass is streamed through Facebook Live.**

There are many **websites** offering spiritual support at this time. A helpful summary is available on [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk) under 'Resources During Mass Suspension' in the News Centre. Key sources of information include:

The Bishops' Conference [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk)  
Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham [www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk)  
Lent in Isolation [www.lentinisolation.com](http://www.lentinisolation.com)  
Magnificat [www.magnificat.com/free](http://www.magnificat.com/free)  
streamed church services: [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv)  
[www.mass-online.org](http://www.mass-online.org)

It is important that you let us know how you and your neighbours are coping, or if people are in need of help. We will be contacting parishioners who might be in need, drawn mainly from what you have told us and the list of those who attended the senior citizens meal. **If you are in a position to respond to requests for help or require help yourself please let Fr Graham or Kay know.**