



St John Fisher Roman Catholic Church

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8th November 2020 – 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 10.30am Masses livestreamed on 'St John Fisher North Harrow' YouTube channel

other Masses streamed on St John Fisher North Harrow Facebook site

7th Sat	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday 10.00am People of the Parish
8th Sun	32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10.30am Margaret O'Malley (1 st Anniversary), Holy Souls, Lucy Callaco RIP & Katherine Hayes
9th Mon	THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA 10.00am Peter Wong RIP
10th Tue	St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor 10.00am Nihal Ranasinghe (Birthday)
11th Wed	St Martin of Tours, Bishop no public Mass
12th Thu	St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr 7.00pm Mary Coady RIP Anniv
13th Fri	feria 10.00am Holy Souls
14th Sat	Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday 10.00am benefactors of the parish
15th Sun	33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10.30am Paul Cleland Anniv, People of Parish/Holy Souls, Tony Leito RIP & Lucy Mulvaney RIP

Confessions – by appointment

Funerals & Baptisms – by appointment

Sacrament of the Sick – by request;
in Northwick Park Hospital contact RC chaplain

CHANGES TO MASS & PRAYER SCHEDULE

As we enter a second lockdown this newsletter is being sent out earlier to let you know that **the church is no longer open for public Mass**; Sunday Mass will continue to be livestreamed on the St John Fisher North Harrow You Tube site and weekday Mass will once again be said without a congregation and livestreamed on the St John Fisher North Harrow Facebook site. The church will be open for private prayer. During this coming week there will be **private prayer, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.30am – 12noon on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday.**

We welcome Fr Axcel to the parish but you will have to be patient to meet him in person! Also this weekend was to have been the collection to support the diocesan Sick and Retired Priests Fund. You can still leave your offering in one of the donation envelopes in the church or post in through the presbytery letter box. It is also possible to donate online at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for whatever you can give in these uncertain and difficult times.

This Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. Once again we are reminded of the price that others have paid in the past for our freedoms. We thank God for their sacrifice and continue to pray for an end to war and conflicts across the world.



*Every blessing,
Fr Graham*

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**Opening times for private prayer
Monday, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday
with Eucharistic Adoration
10.30am – 12noon**

In the **Year of The Word** reflect on next Sunday's Readings with the help of www.wednesdayword.org
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31, Psalm 127,
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30

REGULAR NOTICES

If you or a sick relative could benefit from a visit from the parish **St Vincent de Paul Society**, please contact the parish office or SVP direct on **07935 776298**.

If you would like a visit from the priest and/or to regularly receive **Holy Communion**, please contact the parish office.

Recently deceased: Seamus Ruddy, Grace Gaskell

Recently added to the sick list: Maureen Verrier; Joan Curson

Pray also for, Arthur Moore, Norah May Hurley, Joan, Elaine, Rachel Gilsean, Joe Quinn, Grace Tay, Daniel Sweeney, William Golden, Pauline Thornton, Mary Johnstone, Alan Forbes, Alasdair Wilson, Margaret & Anthony Sweeney, Mary Gleeson, Katherine Hayes, Michael Mullins and all whose anniversaries of death occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Stewards and cleaners – If you can help with stewarding and/or cleaning either during private prayer times or when lockdown ends and public Mass begins please contact Fr Graham or Kay.

Arrangements under the current guidance

When you come to church for private prayer please:

- **wear a face covering**
- **provide your contact details to support 'Test & Trace' or use the QR code with the NHS Test & Trace App**
- use the hand sanitiser on entry and exit
- observe the 'one-way system' on entry and exit

Sunday Mass continues to be livestreamed on the parish You Tube channel.

Weekday Masses will again be livestreamed via Facebook live on the St John Fisher North Harrow Facebook page

Harrow Foodbank – Our parish SVP group will be coordinating a regular collection of foodstuffs to support Harrow Foodbank rather than our previous annual collection. The list of what's needed and what's not will follow.

Operation Elf – supporting children of prisoners at Christmas - Last year Pact, the church's care and support organisation for prisoners and their families, distributed toys to prisoners' children through 'Operation Elf' which we supported. This year Pact have had to adapt by finding a gift that can be easily posted. They are therefore appealing for book tokens for children of prisoners. These can be bought online from www.nationalbooktokens.com or from local bookshops. If bought online you can have it delivered straight to Pact at Operation ELF, 29 Peckham Road, London, SE5 8UA. Book tokens need to arrive with Pact by **23rd November**. Thank you for supporting this 'Love in Action' initiative.

Mary's Meals – Mirvette Russo, a parishioner and a Mary's Meals volunteer, has recorded an update on the work of Mary's Meals. It can be accessed on the parish You Tube channel. Watch to learn how Mary's Meals has adapted to the challenges faced by hungry schoolchildren across the globe.

Certificates of Catholic Practice (CCP) - Fr Graham has postponed the signing of CCPs for Primary School. New dates for signing of these forms will be published in the Newsletter after the easing of the current lockdown.

November: Month of the Holy Souls – Envelopes and sheets are available in the porch to list your deceased loved ones; these are placed in our Book of Remembrance on the sanctuary. Please return the envelope, and any offering you may wish to include, to the presbytery or place in the offertory baskets. Friday and Sunday Masses this month are offered for the Holy Souls as well as from now on the 'first Friday' Mass throughout the year.

Blessing of Graves at Pinner New Cemetery, due to have taken place this Sunday, has been cancelled.

Priest references – For some schools, as well as for employment and studies, parishioners often put their parish priest down as a reference. Fr Graham is happy to consider a reference for you but **please let him know in advance that you are putting him down as a referee**. As well as being a courtesy this means that he has a chance to confirm who you are. If he does not recognise you from your name alone, then he will not be able to provide a reference.

Supplies for remaining Covid-secure – We get through a lot of supplies to ensure that the church meets guidance from the Government and the bishops. A number of parishioners have donated items for which we are very grateful. If you would like to be amongst them we are in greatest need of Flash Mop Floor Wipes, Flash Floor Liquid (1 Litre refill); Antiviral Disinfectant refill (5 litre), Paper Wipe Rolls and PVC Gloves – Large.

Financial support for of the parish - Thank you to those of you who continue to support the parish financially especially through regular giving. If you would like to support the parish this way then the simplest way is with a bank transfer. For further details visit our website and click on the 'donate' tab or pick up a form at the back of the church. To collect your weekly offertory envelopes please contact the parish office.

DEANERY & DIOCESAN NOTICES

Inter Faith Week Kol Chai – The Hatch End Reform Jewish Community. Green Interfaith Shabat (virtual) 10.30am on Saturday 14th November. Guest Speaker: Rev Vanessa Conant. Please contact the parish office if you require zoom details.

The Art of Dying Well. The Art of Dying Well website www.artofdyingwell.org offers a helping hand to those grappling with issues around death and dying. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the journey through death to eternal life.

Red Wednesday at Home Wednesday 21st – Thursday 29th November 2020. If the plight of suffering Christians is important to you, then help to make this the biggest ACN online and at home event ever. See the range of #RedWednesday events at www.acnuk.org.

Retrouvaille - a well-regarded resource, providing the couple with a safe environment within which to explore their difficulties, grow in their faith and restore their relationship. Their next weekend is on **12th-15th November 2020** via Zoom: call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 - or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

