

St John Fisher Catholic Church

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Mass Intentions

Sunday 18th - Sixteenth Sunday (B)

9:00am Mass - Wille McDowall RIP
11:00am Mass - Michael Jackson RIP
6:00pm Mass - People of the parish

Monday 19th - Feria

10:00am - For our parish

Tuesday 20th - Feria

10:00am Mass - Emil Vincent

Wednesday 21st - Feria

10:00am Mass - Gill Hanson RIP

Thursday 22nd - Saint Mary Magdalene, Feast.

10:00am Mass - Kerry Wheeldon RIP

Friday 23rd - Saint Bridget, Feast. Patron of Europe.

10:00am Mass - Cath McCann int.

Saturday 24th - The Blessed Virgin Mary

10:00am Mass - Int. Fredericks & Crotty Families.

Sunday 25th - Seventeenth Sunday (B)

9:00am Mass - People of the parish
11:00am Mass - Dorothy & Norbert Falkenstein RIP
6:00pm Mass - John Endicott RIP

Collections 11/07/21: Gift Aid £ 88.00 Loose £ 127.80 + Direct Debits £ 290.00 = £ 505.80.

Second collection: Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea) £ 83.30. Thank you.

Welcome to our Episcopal Vicar, Canon John O'Toole who will be celebrating the two morning Masses for us. I hope you will extend your warm welcome to him. It is wonderful to have Canon John with us, as we celebrate the Good Shepherd in the readings we are fortunate to have our own Good Shepherd of Kent to lead us in worship.

Please pray for Father David Hunter and Father Matthew Donnelly who were ordained priests yesterday for our diocese.

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (S.P.U.C.)

Rochester and Strood have now formed an official S.P.U.C. Branch. Launched on 26th June 2021, and officers were appointed to promote the Gospel of Life in many different areas of the Pro-life Apostolate. The next meeting will be on Sunday 31st July at English Martyrs Church, Strood starting at 11am. A senior representative from S.P.U.C. H.Q., will be attending to guide and advise our formative meeting. A very warm invitation is extended to anyone who might like to help our work, protecting babies and their mothers. Protecting the family is an important part of our work; so little ones and dads will be especially welcome. For more information contact, Johncarms@hotmail.co.uk or 07488284744

First Holy Communion/Confirmation 2022 help needed: Dear Parents/Grandparents I really need your help with the ses-



sions for children. So far only one person has volunteered. Could we have a team of 4 for both First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation. Resources and training will be given. If you interested please let Fr Neil know.

Baptisms: We thank Deacon Felim for co-ordinating the baptism preparation and both Deacon Felim and Fr Neil are available to perform the baptism of your child. Please contact Deacon Felim to book your baptism preparation course on 01634 830145. Email: felim_mccarthy@yahoo.com

Mary's Meals: has a new job opportunity in the London/SE England region. The role of 'Supporter Engagement Officer' is an exciting and varied one which will suit someone with good organisational and people skills. The closing date is 19th July. Full Job description and application can be found at: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/useful-links/work-for-us/supporter-engagement-officer-london>

Building and Maintenance: It was decided before commencing any work to have a professional survey done of the roof. This will be completed hopefully next month. The electrical remedial work should start tomorrow so that our parish is up to date with the work recommended through the safety inspection report.

Sunday Gospel Family Resources: There are some wonderful resources for families. After my appeal last week for devotion among families to raise committed Christians, we can make use of resources such as these to deepen our love for Jesus as a family. Please have a look at their website which is <https://www.colourandshapeonline.com/>

Please also take one of the "I pray with my children" leaflet, with helpful ideas for praying with your children.

Help with Sunday liturgies: I am grateful for people who have recently volunteered to help as readers. We also need to form a choir to lead us, and also altar servers, though only a limited number of servers can serve at any one time. If you like to volunteer please speak to Fr Neil or at the 11:00am Mass to Michal and Ala.

I also take this opportunity to thank all those who have helped in the Sunday liturgies, but due to reasons that are understandable cannot play a full part or attend for the time being. Thank you for your service for the church, please keep your church very much in your prayers.