

St John Fisher Catholic Church

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TWENTY-SECOND AND TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30TH AUGUST & 6TH SEPTEMBER 2026

To speak with Fr Marco: please email, call, or drop-in on Tuesdays 3.30-5.30pm :)

Baptisms: Please pick up a form after any Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: usually on Fridays at 5.30pm & Saturdays at 9am.

Rosary: every Tuesday–Thursday at 8.40am.

Confessions: Fri 6pm, Sat 9am & 6pm, Sun 9am and at any time on request.

For PARISH HALL HIRING: contact Mrs Cathy O'Toole – 07506 358587 (Mon–Fri, 10am–5pm)

The Parish operates in accordance with statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and procedures at all times. As well as our Parish Safeguarding Representative, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 2306240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

	DATE	Time	Event
SAT	29	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Mathew Jones; Margaret Harkins RIP; Pat Smith RIP
SUNDAY	30 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 11.30am	Holy Mass – Myles Breen; Holy Souls in Purgatory; Oliver & Brid Conmy Holy Mass – Deacon Gerry O'Reilly RIP; Mr & Mrs Kidney Anniv. <i>Please pray for Simon who will be baptised after Mass today.</i>
MON	31 ST AIDAN & SAINTS OF LINDISFARNE	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Janice Robles B'Day
TUE	1 FOR THE CARE OF CREATION	9am 11am	Holy Mass – Patrick Dunne RIP Requiem Mass of the late Marjorie Elizabeth Lynotte
WEDS	2 (FERIA)	9am	Holy Mass – Cathy & Family
THURS	3 FEAST OF ST GREGORY THE GREAT	9am	Holy Mass – Pat Smith RIP
FRI	4 ST CUTHBERT, BISHOP	5.30pm 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration with Confessions from 6pm</i> Holy Mass – Fr Octaviano D'Cunha; Delfin De Roma RIP
SAT	5 ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA	9am 10am 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions & Benediction</i> Holy Mass – Pro Populo Holy Mass – Antonette Pinto RIP & Jane Simoes; Deacon Gerry O'Reilly RIP
SUNDAY	6 TWENTY -THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 11.30am	Holy Mass – Patrick Sullivan RIP Holy Mass – Teresa Tollett RIP (2nd Anniv.)
MON	7 (FERIA)	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Deacon Gerry O'Reilly RIP; Joseph and Elena Reyes (anniv.)
TUE	8 BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	9.15am 5pm 6.30pm	<i>Holy Mass at St Gregory School (CV2 5AT, all welcome)</i> <i>Reception of the late Mary Farley</i> Holy Mass – Pro Populo
WEDS	9 ST OSBURG, ABBESS	9am 10.30am	Holy Mass – Eileen Hughes Requiem Mass of the late Mary Farley
THURS	10 (FERIA)	9.15am	Holy Mass with SJF School
FRI	11 (FERIA)	5.30pm 6pm 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> <i>Padre Pio Prayer & Confessions</i> Holy Mass – Holy Souls in Purgatory; Faustina Jeetu & Jordan Benny
SAT	12 MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY	9am 6.30pm	<i>No Mass or Confessions</i> Holy Mass – Richard Taylor RIP; Mathew Jones; Brendan O'Brien
SUNDAY	13 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 11.30am	Holy Mass – Mary O'Reilly RIP Holy Mass – Sijo thanksgiving

Retiring Collections 13th Sept: Catholic Education Service

Parish Collection 16/08/26: GAD £250 Loose £301.95 Total £551.95
23/08/26: GAD £214 Loose £532.65 Total £960.65

OUR HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER: For the care of water. Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, so that everyone may have equal access to this vital resource.

Welcome to St John Fisher Catholic parish!

If you are new to St John Fisher or visiting us this weekend, a very warm welcome to you! Please make yourself known to our welcomers and stay for refreshments in the parish centre after the 9.30am or 11.30am Sunday Mass if you are able!

Regular Notices

Drop-in Sessions: Tuesdays 3.30-5.30pm in the presbytery, to speak with Fr Marco about any issue.

Cuppa & a Chat: on Mondays in the parish centre, 12noon – 2pm. Lifts available and all are welcome!

Rollers and Strollers: Meet every Friday at 10am in the parish car park for a walk. For more details, see the poster in the narthex.

Crafty Fishers: will resume shortly!

Know someone interested in becoming a Catholic? Please speak to Fr Marco for more information.

WhatsApp Community: Please scan the QR code in the narthex to join our WhatsApp Community to be informed of latest parish events and news, and to get involved in any of our groups!

Gospel Fire 🔥: The Word of God is a guide for our daily lives. Join our WhatsApp group to receive one chapter of the New Testament a day, finishing by end of 2026.

Someone in need? Call the SVP! We are very blessed to have an active SVP Group here who help all parishioners in need of a personal visit or support of any kind. The parish SVP group can be contacted at anytime by phone on 07774 842943 or email sifcovsvp@gmail.com. Membership enquiries also welcome!

Recent News

Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall: on Sun 6 Sept 2026; unfortunately we have had to cancel the coach due to a lack of numbers but please feel free to travel by car as free parking is available. Tours of the house start from 1.30pm and it takes about 1h 10min driving. Mass is at 3pm celebrated by the Apostolic Nuncio, His Excellency Archbishop Miguel Maury Buendía. Best to take your own chair and picnic for this outdoor event, a wonderful pilgrimage for all the family!

Journey in Faith Course: This is a course for all those who would like to deepen their understanding of our Catholic Faith, including those interested in becoming Catholic. It will take place on Thursday evenings, the first session is Thurs 1st Oct at 7.30pm in the parish hall. All welcome!

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, I hope you are all keeping well! This hope that we all remain well is not just a blind optimism, but a supernatural hope that comes from our Christian faith. **Suffering, pain, difficulties and challenges** are part and parcel of our lives, in fact they are even a necessary feature of life for our growth in faith. In the Gospel of the 22nd Sunday, St Peter objects to the suffering of Christ – ‘Far be it from you, Lord!’. But St Peter has to learn that **God has the power to transform even suffering into something fruitful**. Furthermore, the suffering of Christ on the Cross will be redemptive, winning us back from the clutches of Satan and sin to bring us to the glory of the Father’s Kingdom of peace. Living in this Kingdom and **fully convinced of the Father’s love for us and his helping hand**, we can, like Jesus, **find peace and joy even in the midst of suffering**. A key to finding this deep-rooted peace is to put the needs of others before our own: in next week’s Gospel (23rd Sunday), Jesus encourages us to seek reconciliation with others, which often means reaching out to any erring brothers and sisters with gentleness, humility and affection. Let us commend ourselves to our Mother Mary, whose birthday we soon celebrate, to help us walk the paths of hope and love. Every blessing, *Fr Marco*

8-DAY CANDLES (£5)

Shrine	This Week (30 th Aug)	Next Week (6 th Sept)
Sacred Heart	Patrick Sullivan RIP	Teresa Tollett RIP
Our Lady’s	Mary O’Reilly RIP	Patrick Sullivan RIP
St Joseph’s	Joseph Morton RIP	Mary O’Reilly RIP
St Anthony’s	Goretti Morgan	Fr Anthony

We remember and pray for all those who have died recently:

Marjorie Lynott (1/9 at 11am); **Mary Farley** (9/9 at 10.30am);
Neil Kane (15/9 at 11am)

and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

🕯️ *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Please pray for those who are sick – Elaine Watkins, Arthur & Bernadette Watkins, Derek Coyle, Kristy Ward, Cathy O’Toole, Daryl Talbot, Robert Freeman, Kathleen Freeman, John McCann, Aneta Luc-Kocur, Cathy Grant, Ian Connell, Margaret Buckley, James Lockyton, Winefride Dorrington, Jean Flannigan

Testimony Night: many thanks to Elle who is planning a Testimony night involving food, fellowship, and the opportunity to hear some of the personal faith journeys in our parish. The date is provisionally set for 7.30pm on Sat 21st Nov, please keep the date free!

Visit of the Relics of St Carlo Acutis: we are very blessed to have Anna Johnston visiting who will bring a first-class relic of St Carlo Acutis which we will venerate on the evening of Thurs 17th Sept after a 7pm Mass. Come with all your intentions to experience his powerful intercession, and please pray especially for the young people of our parish and their vocations. St Carlo Acutis, pray for us!

Eucharistic Adoration – 40 Hours Devotion: back by popular demand, we will once again have the opportunity to spend time before Jesus Christ truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Please sign up for a slot of Eucharistic Adoration on Thurs 17th, Fri 18th or Sat 19th September, 8am-11pm. Prayer materials will once again be made available. Sign-up lists are now at the back of church.

Outside the Parish

Short and Long Catholic Theology Courses: a range of different online courses are offered at www.lux-edu.com and www.claritas-st.com and come highly recommended, do consider these if you wish to deepen your understanding of our rich Catholic Faith.

March4Life 2026: Please join us in a peaceful, joyful March in London on Saturday 5th Sept – celebrating life and challenging abortion. Two months ago abortion in the home, up to birth, was decriminalised. Around 1,000 unborn babies are legally killed every day in our country. Please join one of the few ways we can peacefully challenge all this – and the suffering it causes to every family. Coach leaves from Corpus Christi CV3 2QP at 9am, after 8.30am Mass, and returns about 7.30pm. £20 adults, £10 children. Call 07912 643626 to book a seat.

‘Scams Unmasked’: is a new book written by Ashford Menezes (a parishioner at St Thomas More’s) which follows 7 ordinary people drawn into situations that feel believable, personal and difficult to question in the moment. Copies are available in the piety stall. Priced at £10 with a percentage of sales to the church. Visit the piety stalls to buy a copy.

Dame Goodyvers Daye Event: as part of the Heritage Open Days 2026, Lady Godiva and the Godiva Sisters will weave a colourful musical procession from Broadgate, by the Godiva Statue, on Friday 11th Sept just after 10am. They will walk through to Priory Gardens wearing their traditional costume. Everyone is invited to bring a picnic to share if staying till 12 noon. A wonderful way to enter into our local history and become more familiar with the story of this noble Catholic lady.

Recent & Upcoming Events

Fish ‘n’ Chips with Quiz Night: Sat 5 Sept at 7pm, tickets are now available for sale after the Sunday Masses!

Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall: unfortunately the coach is cancelled but feel free to go by car, see above for details!

Visit of the Relics of St Carlo Acutis: Thurs 17/9 after the 7pm Mass (please see above for more details).

40 Hours of Adoration: 17th-19th Sept, see above for more info.

Children’s Disco: Fri 25th Sept. Please see poster for more details.

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