

OUR LADY'S AND ST JOHN FISHER RC CHURCHES – Newsletter

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 23rd JUNE 2024 CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST. JOHN FISHER

Readings: Job 38:1,8-11 Psalm 106 2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-17 MARK 4:35-41

Psalm Response: O give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures for ever

<p>Saturday, 22nd June 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>4:00 pm Our Lady's</p>	<p>+ Teresa McFayddenn + Mary Duffy (RIP) Anniversary + Mary Brady (2nd Anniversary)</p>
<p>Sunday 23rd June 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism</p>	<p>9:00 am St John Fisher 11:00 am Our Lady's 1:00 pm Our Lady's</p>	<p>George & Lauren getting Married Linda Bennett, +Jack Griffin Collins & Newnes families</p>
<p>Wednesday 26th June Alpha Course</p>	<p>10:00 St. John Fisher 6:45 pm Our Lady's Hall</p>	<p>Phil Colman & Michele Wright (Get Well) Alpha Course</p>
<p>Friday 28th June – St James School</p>	<p>9.00 am Our Lady's 12:00 pm St John Fisher</p>	<p>+ Adrian Treacy All the sick and housebound</p>
<p>Saturday, 29th June BAPTISM Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul</p>	<p>11:00 am St. John Fisher 4:00 pm Our Lady's</p>	<p>Kameron Szypulski +Joseph Concannon, +James Francis Brennan</p>
<p>Sunday 30th June Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul Baptism</p>	<p>9:00 am St John Fisher 11:00 am Our Lady's 1:00 pm Our Lady's</p>	<p>+Stephen John Barrs (RIP) Anniversary First Holy Communion Children 2024. Cecilia Soprano children</p>

We wish everyone at St. John Fisher Parish a very happy Feast Day. Let's all please pray to our Patron Saint for a renewal of faith in our Parish Families.

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur around this time: 25 Carmel Tiernan, Helen Byrne, 27 Mave O'Toole, Fr George Grynowski, 28 Laurence Trodden, Beryl Young, 29 Kevin Mulvaney, Freda Mack, Mary Dolan, Damian Madden, John & Liz Carney, Margaret Vale, Honorah Guilfoyle, Ann Ellerker, **July** 1 William Kelly, Joseph Burke, Paul Coppejans, Florence Heffernan, Michael Richardson

Please Pray for those who are Sick: Margaret Owen, Carol Spooner, Dave McGrath, Mary Smallwood, Margaret Cooper, Trisha Forest, Fr Tony Rohan, Ann Docherty, Nancy Witcomb, Maz Boyce, Lily McKenna, Mary and Victor, Margaret Izon, Carl Brookes, Sheila Cox, Peter Flanagan, Pat Farrell, Jan & Mark Hurley, Peter Rafferty, Jackie Hurley, Helen Ingram, Mary Molloy, Andrea Byrne, Linda Simms, Rita Fitzpatrick, Christina Cooper, Fr Gerry Lennon, Ann Glenn, Pat Curly, Linda Bennett, Jo MacAleenan and Margaret Smythe, Ben Jackson, Jackie Whitehead. Philip Coleman, Michelle Wright

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<p>Gift Aid £129.00</p>	<p>Gift Aid £</p>
<p>Loose Money £312.47 Contactless £0.00</p>	<p>Loose Money £ Contactless:</p>
<p>Life: £48.81. Second collection this week - Building Maintenance Next week's second collection Peter's Pence Quiz Night £357.93</p>	<p>Life: £ Second Collection this week – Building maintenance Second collection next week- Peter's Pence</p>

Thank you for All Your Giving. Not only do we show the total every week, but we present a report with accounts each year. A lot of people have joined the parish. This is reflected in increased giving on Sundays with cash put in the baskets (shown as 'Loose'). Thank you for all your donations. Would you please switch from Loose to standing orders? There is no minimum amount – you don't have to give more. But it helps reduce the work of counting and banking. It is more secure, and you can change it whenever you wish. If you pay tax, we can also get that 23% back from the government on the amount you give. Over the year, that amounts to more than £8,000 when lots of people sign up (it's very easy and costs you nothing).

Baptism Dates: The next meeting is on Saturday 20th July 2024 at 5:30 pm in St John Fisher Church – West Heath.

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage: September 12th-19th Cost £807. Full details of the Pilgrimage are on our noticeboards.

Young Servers wanted for all Masses in our 2 Churches: any child who has made their First Holy Communion can become an Altar Server. If you are interested, please email: roa.alfie@yahoo.com

The Acorns Singers: 20th Anniversary Summer Concert. Friday 12th July at 7.30pm. Held at Ruddock Performing Arts Centre, King Edwards School. B152UA. Tickets £10 Adult, £5.00 Child. Available online at the Ruddock Hall box office web page www.ruddockpac.co.uk. Remember to book your free parking pass when you check out. All proceeds to Acorns Children's Hospice.

Family BBQ: Firstly Paul & Marie would like to thank everyone for supporting the Quiz Night last Saturday which raised £350 from tickets and sale of raffle tickets. Over 60 people attended, and all said that they had an enjoyable evening. Thank you to Rob & Mike, the Quiz Masters, Phoebe & Gary the score keepers and Jill & Greg for the Raffle. Our next event being led by Phil & Rita is the Parish BBQ which will take place on Saturday 13th July starting at 12pm and finishing at 3pm. It has been a great success the last few years and a time to bring our Parish Family together and hopefully with some sunshine. Tickets are £5 per person and £20 for a family and will be on sale for the next three weekends so please get yours without delay, to help with catering numbers. Do you have a gas BBQ which could be used on the day, are you able to help in some way or donate a Raffle prize. If you can please contact Phil on 07842355301

SVP: Dear Friends, OUR NEXT FOOD PARCEL FOR THIS ACADEMIC YEAR IS ON **THURSDAY 11th July**. WE ARE CURRENTLY VERY LOW ON OUR FOOD STOCKS, SO WE ASK YOU TO BE AS GENEROUS AS POSSIBLE WITH YOUR DONATIONS OF NON - PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS. WE WOULD LIKE OUR FINAL FOOD PARCELS FOR THIS TERM TO BE AS GENEROUS AS POSSIBLE AND IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU COULD ADD A FEW EXTRA TREATS TO YOUR DONATION FOR THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS! Please drop off your donations to your usual drop off point or bring them to Our Lady's Parish Hall on THURSDAY 11th JULY between 10:15 am and 11:00 am. Please donate any new/used carrier bags for the food parcels. It is by working together that we can make AS ALWAYS, WE THANK YOU MOST SINCERELY FOR YOUR UNFAILING SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THIS ACADEMIC YEAR. We will be giving some families food vouchers to support them through the holiday period. Please continue to make food donations during the summer so that our stocks will be replenished ready for the Autumn. We wish you and all your families a safe and relaxing summer holiday. If you have any queries, please contact Pauline on 07810 557197.

Have you heard about a weekend for all the family? **Celebrate Joy** is to be held on the weekend of **21/22 September**. It is a national event being held at **St Thomas Aquinas School**. Its focus is on family with specific activities for children and young people. The weekend will include worship, prayer and reflection, children and youth groups, Mass each day, and various talks to support us with our faith journey. For further details and to book go to: - www.celebratetrust.org/joy As there will be many volunteers to facilitate this event, we have been asked to support the accommodation needed for the weekend. Have you a spare room to offer a bed to someone? If you could or would like some more details, please contact Angela Vince on 07958 726783.

Mission Boxes: It is that time again for the little red boxes/donations to be brought to church for counting and sending off to the Missions. Our Lady of Perpetual Succour raised £647.15 in 2023 and has been greatly appreciated by the Missions. Some people tell me that there is not much in the little red box, but I can assure everyone that whatever is in your box, however big or small will make a real difference to the Missions. Many thanks. Cathy Woodhead

New Vicar General: Following Canon Richard Walker's appointment by the Holy Father as Auxiliary Bishop I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed Canon Jonathan Veasey as Vicar General with effect from 1 September 2024. Canon Jonathan will continue as Parish Priest of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls, Acocks Green. I thank Canon Richard for his service as Vicar General over the last four years and I am immensely grateful to Canon Jonathan for generously accepting his new responsibilities. Bernard Longley.

Episcopal Ordination: of **Monsignor Timothy Menezes** as Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, and Canon Richard Walker, as Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, which will take place on **Tuesday 16th July in Saint Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham at 12 noon.**

March for Life UK happens in London on Saturday 7th September. There are many attempts at the moment to further liberalise abortion in the UK and to silence those offering any alternative viewpoint whether that's 'pills by post' abortions, 'decriminalisation', buffer zones or censorship on pro-life students at universities. The dangers of these situations are being highlighted by the theme for this year's March for Life which is 'Abortion isn't Healthcare'. Join thousands at this family-friendly event. Find out more at marchforlife.co.uk

Are you able to help? We want to say a huge thank you to everyone who donates to our Parishes. Whether you have donated to your parish, or a specific fund, made a single donation, or regular contribution, we thank you. Thanks to your generosity we are able to continue to support our parishes and charitable functions. Whilst donations come in, we appreciate many of our parishioners may be struggling financially and we pray they are getting the support they need. Please be assured there is no expectation to give. How you can donate: Instructions as to how to set this up are here: [Set up a regular donation](#)

Leave a Legacy: By remembering your parish in your Will, you can support the vital work of priests and people in the building up of God's Church, in looking after our churches and in reaching out to those in need in our local communities. All of this is made possible as we give back to God in response to His care of us: [Leave a Legacy](#)

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025: If you would like to be part of OLPS & SJF's Parish Pilgrimage with the Diocese, please see Maureen Edginton after Sunday Mass for an Initial booking questionnaire. Any queries please text Carmel: 07963491821

Following Monsignor Timothy Menezes' appointment by the Holy Father as Auxiliary Bishop I am pleased to inform you that I have appointed **Canon Brian McGinley as Dean of St Chad's Cathedral** with effect from 1 September 2024. Canon Brian's email address for all business relating to his role as Dean will be dean.stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk. I thank Monsignor Timothy for his service as Dean over the last five years and I am immensely grateful to Canon Brian for generously accepting his new responsibilities. Yours devotedly in Christ... Bernard Longley ... [Archbishop of Birmingham](#)

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT AND HELP. GOD BLESS. HAVE A BLESSED WEEKEND.