

St John Fisher's Church 3rd November 2024

Sunday 9.30am	3rd November Mass	Thirty First Sunday
12.00 noon	Retiring Collection Cafod for Crisis in the Middle East Adoration	
Monday	4th November	St Charles Borromeo
Tuesday 9.00am 9.30am 12.00am	5th November Mass Adoration Café	Weekday
Wednesday 9.00am 9.30am	6th November Mass Adoration	Weekday
Thursday 6.30pm 7.30pm	7th November Adoration Mass	Weekday
Friday 11.00am 12.00 noon	8th November Adoration Mass	Weekday
Saturday 11.00am 12.00noon. 1.00pm	9th November Adoration Mass Meditation on the Our Father	Vigil 32nd Sunday
Sunday 9.15 9.30am 10.15am 12.00 noon	10th November Remembrance Parade Kearsley Cenotaph Mass Remembrance Service at Kearsley Mount Methodist Adoration	Thirty Second Sunday

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November is the Month of the Holy Souls RIP

Final Edition

**St John Fisher Parish Community
Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt
3rd November 2024 thirty first Sunday**



Jesus Inserts a Shocking Link

Jesus makes a surprising link in the conversation we just heard in the Gospel Reading. He links forever the commandment to love God with the commandment to love one's neighbour as oneself. When asked for the greatest single commandment, he actually answers by naming two commandments, loving God and loving neighbour; they necessarily, intrinsically go together. In Jesus' time, this answer was surprising because it put love for neighbour on par with love for God. No one had ever done that before; everyone simply agreed that loving God came first. Loving one's neighbour was good, they thought, but it was secondary, the primary thing was loving God. Jesus challenges those assumptions: true love for God, he teaches, cannot exist apart from true love for neighbour. If someone claims to love God, that invisible love can be verified in the visible way they treat their neighbour. In our day, on the other hand, perhaps the more surprising aspect is the priority Jesus gives to loving God. Our post-modern world has, in many ways, given up on the idea of God. The sheer quantity of religions and denominations and their inability to agree on doctrines has created a cynical indifference to God. Government and popular culture have almost succeeded in keeping God in the closet, at best. What the seculars do agree about, however, is the importance of loving one's neighbour, toleration, diversity, random acts of kindness, paying it forward... These are things we can sink our teeth into, so they say. And yet, is it really possible to make the sustained effort necessary for truly Christian love of neighbour, without staying connected to the reason why our neighbour ought to be loved? In other words, if I don't love the God in whose image my neighbour is created, how long and how deeply can I really, truly love my neighbour?

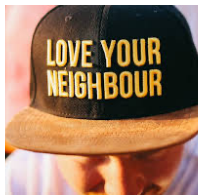


Mass Intentions. In the month of November we pray for the Holy Souls. We pray for the people affected by the floods in Valencia. We Pray for peace in Eastern Europe, the Holy Land and for the people suffering there and other theatres of war. We pray for world leaders to follow a way to peace and justice.

For all our sick and housebound: Please pray for Avril de Mink, Hildegard Cornelius, Barbara Conners, Debbie Shades James Neary, Lily Alker, Celia Eccleston, Edmund Birch, Alice Hindley, Pat Pearson, Peter Hughes, Joe Dalton, Sheila McKay, Anne Holland, Annamma, Kate Martin, Konrad Ostmeier, Elaine McNally, Joan Eastwood, Paul Ormerod, Irene Wood, Sally Gibson, Jane Shades, Pauline Millington, Eileen Kehoe, Ruth Dawson, Pauline Kent, Maureen Manion, Lynda Robinson, Paul Grogan, Leo Mazza, Doreen Mazza, Hilda Plover, Bob Plover, Maureen Rogers, Sheila Barker, Sheila Bocker, Peter Fenton, Marie Fenton, John Ward, Jane Jordan, Rita Derbyshire, Eric Derbyshire, John Derbyshire, Peter Tracey, Linda Muir, Sharon Simpson, Maria Edwards, Agnes McFadden, Eileen Johnson, Jane Boyle, Pat Jones, Lee Pomfret. **For those, who died recently** Ann Brady, Tommy Cunningham, Margaret Allan, Michael Cradden, baby Jude Michael Shevlin. **On the Anniversary** of Chris Madden, Sandra Cooper (40th Aniv. 29.10.2024), Ronnie Whitelaw, Jim & Vera O'Connell, James Birch, Ray Mazza, Paul Neary, James Nicholas Snr. **Special Intentions** Joanne Raynor, Janet Cassidy, Marie Fenton, Angela Fenton, Nikki Fenton and for Dominic Mazza, Marie Jones, Theresa Karey, Shevlin family, for Chloe Fenton, Rita Derbyshire, Hilda Plover, Marie Fenton, Anne & Konrad, Harris family, Anna Abraham, Arun & Swany. Mary & Bill Hayhurst 50th Wedding Anniversary. Kevin Madden Birthday remembrance

MARRIAGE MATTERS *Remember our wedding vows*

In the Old Testament, Moses said: "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength." In Mark's gospel Jesus completes this commandment: "You must love your neighbour as yourself". Your wife, your husband, is the nearest neighbour you have! This is what we promised each other on our wedding day.



Synod in Salford Diocese In our Parish

Next meeting	Meeting Three	17.11.2024
	Meeting Four	08.12.2024

GOOD NEWS *Deeper Love*

All of us here today love God, and we love our neighbour. But our love is still immature. It has room to grow; it can become stronger. And as it get stronger, so will the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit at work in our own souls.



November 2024 Month of the Holy Souls

In November we remember all the deceased members of our families and of our Parish. The Church remembers the Holy Souls. *Please fill in your November List and place it in an envelope and put it in the collection or on the Altar.* You may put a donation for the Masses for the Holy Souls if you wish. Holy Mass will be offered each day for all our departed loved ones.



Confirmation Classes

Those wishing to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to the first meeting to plan the classes on Saturday 16th November at 9.00am in the Cottage at St John Fisher's. Registration forms are available in Church.

Emergency Middle East Appeal from Cafod to help those caught up in the war in the Holy Land and Lebanon **Retiring Collection Sunday 3rd Nov**

Shoebox Gift You are invited to prepare a gift in a shoebox for a child. Please see the details on the Notice Board and ask Kathryn McGladdery and Kath Shevlan for details. **Return your Shoebox to St John Fisher by Sunday 10/11/2024** or hand it in to **The Entertainer Bolton Market until 18/11/2024.** (Closed on Sundays) Please keep to the deadlines

