

St John Fisher and the Shrine of Our Lady

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Sunday 9.30am. 12.00 noon	17th August Mass Adoration	20th Sunday.
Monday 7.00pm	18th August Choir Practice for the Silver Jubilee	
Tuesday 9.00am 9.30am	19th August Mass Adoration	St John Eudes
Wednesday 9.00am 9.30am	20th August Mass Adoration	St Bernard
Thursday 6.30pm 7.30pm	21st August Adoration Mass	St Pius X
Friday 11.00am 12.00 noon	22nd August Adoration Mass	Queenship of Mary
Saturday 11.00am 12.00 noon 2.00pm	23rd August Adoration Mass Pilgrimage Zimbabwe Choir	Vigil 21st Sunday
Sunday 9.30am 11.30am 12.00 noon	24th August Mass Baptism Rivan Hart Adoration	21st Sunday

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Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt
17th August 2025 twentieth Sunday



A Christian's Mission Statement What does Jesus mean by saying that he came "to set the earth on fire"? He is speaking about the fire of Christian virtue, of the Christian way of life that makes power struggles, prejudice, and oppression obsolete. He is speaking of the fire of faith and hope that will bring countless human lives back onto the path of a meaningful and fulfilling life. He is speaking of the love for one's neighbour that will take root and gradually build up a civilisation of justice and love. Twenty centuries later, we know that this is what Christ meant. But when he said it, the Church didn't yet exist. It hadn't converted emperors and kings. It was just an embryo, just a tiny community of ordinary fisherman from the country. Jesus successfully communicated that mission statement. His Apostles got the message and made it their own.



They let Jesus set their hearts on fire first. And then they went on to do their job. They started spreading that fire. They spread it with words and deeds. They even sealed their work with the sacrifice of their lives. All but one of the Apostles died a martyr's death. And the next generation of Christians continued carrying the torch. And the next... But even so, the world is not yet all ablaze. Many pockets are still cold and dark. Many places that used to be blazing are now only smouldering. Many hearts still haven't been renewed by the fire of Christ's love and wisdom. And so Jesus repeats the lesson today, to us. He gives us his mission statement, and invites us to make it our own, to take up the baton, to put our lives on the line to spread the saving fire of Christian virtue and truth.

Mass Intentions. We pray for peace in Eastern Europe, the Holy Land, Iran 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, Shelly Abraham, Peter Bendy, Margaret Ward, Anthony Hadcroft, Betty Shevlan, Graham Shaw, Johnny Harris, Paul McGuire, Lynn Hutton, Janet Fielden, Anne Mazza, Marie Fenton, Patrick Cooper, Amber Jones, Muriel and Brian Osborne, Alice McEvoy, Monica Whitelaw, Maureen Booth, Maureen Grey, Sheila Barker, Lily Harris, Edmund

Birch, Helen Alker, Hildegard Cornelius, Barbara Conners, Marie Fenton, Debbie Shades, Sally Gibson, Jane Shades, Thomas Shades, Benny Shades, Dominic Mazza, Maureen Lyles, Diane Middleton, Angela Fenton, James Neary, Lily Alker, Alice Hindley, Pat Pearson, Peter Hughes, Sheila McKay, Anne Holland, Annamma Anrayam, Kate Martin, Konrad Ostmeier, Elaine McNally, Joan Eastwood, Paul Ormerod, Eileen Kehoe, Maureen Manion, Lynda Robinson, Leo Mazza, Doreen Mazza, Hilda Plover, Maureen Rogers, Sheila Bocker, Peter Fenton, John Ward, Jane Jordan, Rita Derbyshire, Eric Derbyshire, John Derbyshire, Peter Tracey, Linda Muir, Maria Edwards, Agnes McFadden, Eileen Johnson, Jane Boyle, Pat Jones, Lee Pomfret. **For those, who died recently** Desmond Hall, George Nicholls, Bernice Tonge, Cathy Daly Anna `Swierkowska, Norman Johnson, Val Pastore, Christine Johnson, Billy Twoney, Dave Mauders, Teresa Johnson, Josephine Davitt, Linda Beaman, Pat Hurst, Anthony Pastore, Norman Nutter, Joanne Njoku, Sr Catherine Walsh, Stephen Caulfield. **On the Anniversary** of Beatrice Madden, Eileen Shaughnessy, Mary Nicholas, Marjorie Marshall, Margaret Ansbro, Graham Massey, Pat Pastore, Martin Clarke, Thomas Cooper, Joan Wood, Fr Leon Morris, Christine Mary Ward, Audrey Essex, Eveline Smith, P Dorothy Greenwood, Michael Neary, Bob Plover, Paul Neary. **Special Intentions** Richard Slee, Thomas & Jessie, Margaret Chick, Philip Derbyshire, Shevlin family, Harris family, Anna Abraham, Arun & Swany (on retreat), For all students on their vacations. For Nevin Santosh and good results. For Fr Frankie Mulgrew, Tom Hutton on their Birthday. **Birthday Remembrance** Ellen Pastore, Elizabeth Summerville, . In thanksgiving to St Anthony and St Martin for prayers answered. To St Joseph for an RAF graduation success. Irene Snell in thanksgiving. Jim & Monica Begley on their Wedding Anniversary. Remembering the late Marie & Jim Lyon on their wedding anniversary

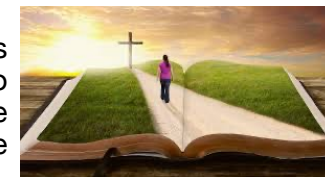
The Holy Year and Silver Jubilee of the Shrine In October 2025

On the first weekend in October we have the Silver Jubilee of the Blessing of the Shrine. The organising team invites you to help by volunteering for the different jobs on the weekend. Please add your name to the sign-up list at the back of Church if you would like to help in this celebration weekend.

Shrine Jubilee Choir We are forming a **Silver Jubilee Choir** for the celebration of 25 years of the blessing of the Shrine. If you would like to take part in the Choir for the October Weekend celebrations, especially the Silver Jubilee Mass and Rededication of the Shrine, please join Steve Robinson, Patty Ganley and the choir of St John Fisher and Mount Carmel St John Bosco for a joint practice at St John Fisher's on **Monday 18th August 2025 at 7.00pm**.



GOOD NEWS *Get to know God.* God has given us many blessings, one of them is time on earth to get to know him and our faith. Why not sacrifice a few minutes of time, that could give you some clarity and direction for your life this week?



MARRIAGE MATTERS *Our Sacrament: a sign of grace* When we married we entered into a Covenant of unconditional love, summed up in the vows we made to each other. By imitating Jesus' unconditional love for his bride, the Church, we became a Sacrament, a sacred sign of God's love for all to see. Living out our 'life-style choice' is made possible only by 'the graces of the Sacrament'.



Stella Maris (Sea Sunday)

Thank you for your generosity for Sea Sunday. You may return the envelopes in the Sunday Collection.

CARD READER for Offertory Collection This week we will introduce a **CARD READER** in the porch of the Church. With this you can make your offertory donation using your Credit or Debit Card.



Cliff Night in Aid of Francis House

Special thanks to Jim, his fundraising team and to the surprise artist who tuned up on the night. It was a great success and very good fun and raised a wonderful £1,939.13 for Francis House. Thanks for your generosity

Assumption of Our Lady

Almighty ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen."

