

St John Fisher and the Shrine of Our Lady

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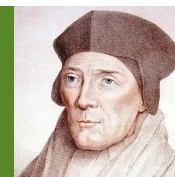
Sunday 9.30am. 12.00 noon	7th September Mass Adoration	23rd Sunday
Monday 9.00am	8th September Mass	Our Lady's Birthday
Tuesday 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	9th September Mass Adoration Café	St Peter Claver
Wednesday 9.00am 9.30am 12.30pm	10th September Mass Adoration Hands of Hope	St Ambrose Barlow
Thursday 10.00am 6.30pm 7.30pm	11th September Coffee Morning Adoration Mass	Weekday
Friday 11.00am 12.00 noon	12th September Adoration Mass	Most Holy Name of Mary
Saturday 11.00am 12.00 noon 2.00pm 2.00pm	13th September Adoration Mass Marriage Preparation ACAB meeting in the Cottage	Vigil 24th Sunday
Sunday 9.30am 12.00 noon	14th September Mass Adoration	24th Sunday

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Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt
7th September 2025 twenty third Sunday



Take Up Your Personal Cross Sometimes the truth hurts. But we need to hear the truth anyway. Sometimes the truth brings to light the many problems around us. But we need to hear the truth anyway. Today, despite the fact that Jesus' words may be hard to hear, in the end, they are true. They are good. And they will help us to lead better and more holy lives. Here are some tough words from Jesus: "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:27). We love it when Jesus says nice-sounding things, pleasing to our ears, such as: "I am the Good Shepherd" (John 10:14). "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink" (John 7:37). We like to think of Jesus as making our lives happy, peaceful, and secure. We like to know things will be easy and delightful. But Jesus didn't promise us those things on this side of heaven. In fact, he promised us a share in his Passion! Today, let's acknowledge that the cross of Jesus brings salvation, and all of our personal crosses are a gift to us. They are our share in the Lord's Passion that has been allotted to us. Here are three reasons why the cross is a gift: First, Jesus' Resurrection reveals to us that after the Passion comes the Resurrection. First the cross, then the glory. The way to heaven leads through Calvary. Second, in every person's life, there will be suffering. No matter what. The question is what we do about it. Illness and death are coming for everyone. We can get angry about this, or we can accept this. It's our choice: resentment or acceptance. The cross of Jesus helps us to face illness and death with peace. Because of his cross, we have eternal hope. Third, embracing one's cross means to bear the weight of life. It is to bear life's sufferings, turning them into good. By carrying our crosses, we become people who give back to the world more than they take. Shouldering our cross makes life deeply meaningful. Imagine what the world could be if everyone took up their cross and tried to make their lives and those around them better! This is the Christian calling, and everyone here in the pews is invited to this Christian way of life.



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 Sheila Moran, Alan Walsh, Shelly Abraham, Delilah O'Neil, Jenny Thompson, Peter Bendy, Margaret Ward, Anthony Hadcroft, 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 Connors, 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, 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** Avril de Mink, Joe Cunningham, Paul Grogan, Betty Shevlin, Peter Hughes, Desmond Hall Eileen Mary Robinson. **On the Anniversary** of Harris CaswellSheila Madden, Dominic Concannon, Martin McDermott, Wyn Jordan, Dennis & Bridget Redmond, Mani Varkey, Beatrice Madden, Eileen Shaughnessy, Mary Nicholas, Marjorie Marshall, Margaret Ansbro, Graham Massey, Pat Pastore, Martin Clarke, Thomas Cooper, Joan Wood, P Dorothy Greenwood, Bob Plover, Paul Neary. **Special Intentions Helen & Kevin Byrne 40th Wedding Anniversary**, Margaret Chick, Philip Derbyshire, Shevlin family, Harris family, Anna Abraham, Arun & Swany For John Kerrane (80th), Muriel Osborne, Edwina Moran on their Birthday. **Birthday Remembrance** Ray Mazza, James Neary, Michael Neary, Mary Connaughton.

GOOD NEWS *Make Everything in Life Matter* A secret to life, learned by following Jesus, is to willingly take up the personal cross of your life. This means taking up the precepts of the Church, being faithful to your life vocation, being faithful to family and God, and being a contributing part of society.



MARRIAGE MATTERS *Consent to love God above all; seek to not force anything* Today, Jesus sets out the cost of discipleship: "none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions". Throughout His life and in dying for us, Jesus demonstrated a self-emptying way of loving. As His disciples, our call is to follow Him by putting each other first; thereby dying to selfishness and setting ourselves free. **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. If you have not registered yet and you would like to come please contact Tricia Barlow:

In order to register email: Tricia on <octoberjubilee25@gmail.com> or leave a message with Sandra on 07746122881 or post for the attention of Tricia to Schoenstatt Centre & Shrine St John Fisher, Kearsley, Bolton, BL4 8QQ with how many places you require.



FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2025

Welcome & Vigil at Kearsley, commencing at 6:30pm – 7:30pm Candlelit procession – 8:30pm Cheese & Wine.

SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2025

Mass of celebration at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Blackley, M9 8BG 1pm (this will be live streamed at Saint John Fishers Kearsley)

3:00pm a celebration at Kearsley. 4:30pm Rededication service at the Shrine. 5:30pm Presentations. 6:30pm Refreshments. 7:30pm Evening Party.

SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2025

Thanksgiving Benediction & Rosary of Light followed by Afternoon Tea at Kearsley commencing at 2pm

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.

We started the **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 contact Steve Robinson, Patty Ganley.

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.

