

St John Fisher and the Shrine of Our Lady

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Sunday 9.30am 12.00 noon 2.00pm	5th October Mass Adoration Thanksgiving Benediction Family Picnic	27th Sunday
Monday	6th October	
Tuesday 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	7th October Mass Adoration Café	Our Lady of the Rosary
Wednesday 9.00am 9.30am 12.30pm	8th October Mass Adoration Hands of Hope	Weekday
Thursday 6.30pm 7.30pm	9th October Adoration Mass	St John Henry Newman
Friday 11.00am 12.00 noon	10th October Adoration Mass	Weekday
Saturday 12.00 noon	11th October Mass	Vigil 27th Sunday St John XXIII
Sunday 9.30am 11.30am 12.00 noon 1.30pm	12 October Mass Baptism Jocelyn-Raine McNally Adoration Graham Whitmore PKD Charity (Cottage)	28th Sunday

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Shrine of Our Lady of Schoenstatt
5th September 2025 twenty seventh Sunday



The Freedom that Comes from True Humility Isn't Jesus being a bit harsh with the servant in this parable? The servant works hard and humbly submits to his boss, day after day. And then Jesus says he should look for nothing in return, no rest, no reward or recognition, no special treatment: he's just doing his duty, after all. It seems rather cold. We kind of feel sorry for the servant. And yet, we shouldn't. Christ's point is that his love for us doesn't depend on our "performance". God's love for each of us is already so total, personal, unconditional, and untiring that nothing we do can increase or decrease it. We don't have to achieve great things in order to win God's love for us. We should strive to use our talents to serve God and neighbour, because that's what we were created for. And it's fine to take pleasure in a job well done when we experience a little bit of success. But the meaning of our lives doesn't come from our achievements. The meaning of life comes from the fact that God created us out of love, redeemed us out of love, and guides us towards heaven purely out of unconditional, overflowing love. And so the servant in God's Kingdom works energetically, joyfully, and peacefully as a response to that gratuitous love of God, in gratitude for God's gifts, not worrying about what he's going to get in return. God's love doesn't depend on our achievements; our achievements flow from knowing how much God loves us and from wanting to thank him. This is true humility. It takes the pressure off of our relationship with God and allows us to experience true freedom, the freedom that comes from being God's children. This is what the Lord wants us to learn. Instead of letting our achievements go to our heads, Jesus wants to teach us how to make them flow from our hearts.



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 McKay, John Denehy, Michael Curliss, Margaret Maumy, Philomena Purcell, Clare Jones, Sheila Moran, Alan Walsh, Shelly Abraham, Sheila Buckingham, Delilah O'Neil, Jenny Thompson, Peter Bendy, Margaret Ward, Anthony Hadcroft, 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** For the two men killed at Heaton Park Synagogue, Avril de Mink, Tony Shalloo, Bernard Jordan, Mary Fox, Helen & Leo Cunningham, Joe Cunningham, Graham Shaw, Paul Grogan, Betty Shevlan, Peter Hughes, Cherish Gonzaga. **On the Anniversary** of Anthony Lyon, Kathleen & Alf Lomax, Veronica & Harry Woodward, Jude Michael Shevlan, Michael Kenny, Thomas Herbert, Winifred Jordan, Harris Caswell, Sheila Madden, Dominic Concannon, Martin McDermott, Wyn Jordan, Dennis & Bridget Redmond, Mani Varkey, Michael Neary, Brendon Connaughton, Bob Plover, Paul Neary. **Special Intentions** Anna Hughes, Margaret Chick, Philip Derbyshire, Shevlin family, Marie Fenton, Harris family, Anna Abraham, Arun & Swany, “for our wonderful mum celebrating her 90th, Fr Frank Waterworth 80th, Joanne Monahan, Nigin Santosh, Adam Makil Birthday. **Birthday Remembrance** Winnie Wild, Jim O’Connell, James Neary, John Neary. In thanksgiving for a safe birth of Noah Gabriel Shevlin. Fr Andrew Pastore on 29th Anniversary of his Ordination

GOOD NEWS *Winning Battles by Prayer*

Prayer is the only place that we really discover how much God cares about us. Only in prayer can God's grace penetrate our emotional and psychological defences, so we can be freed from our anxious pursuit of recognition.



MARRIAGE MATTERS *Guard our love* Today St. Paul reminds us “you have been entrusted to look after something precious, guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us”. For us this means we are the guardians of each other! We live that out by always striving to be tender lovers, gentle and kindly friends, and courageous, loyal supporters of each other.



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

Although Storm Amy tried to make the weekend a washout for us it was the “down pouring” of grace and blessing on the silver Jubilee of the Blessing of the Shrine. That you to every one who helped prepare and lead this wonderful celebration. Let us pray that we remain Pilgrims of Hope and Builders of peace.



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.



October invites us to rediscover the Rosary: a prayer of peace, hope, and love

October is the month of the Rosary, a time when the Church invites us to pray more often with Mary as she leads us to her Son, Jesus. The Rosary helps us reflect on the great moments of Jesus' life and reminds us that Mary is always close, praying with us and for us. Whether prayed alone, with family, or in the parish, the Rosary brings peace, hope, and strength. This October, let us take time to rediscover this simple and powerful prayer.

