

Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C
Sunday 6th July 2025

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Act Now, Change Forever

This is the theme of the mass lobby of Parliament this week. CAFOD as part of the Climate Coalition are organising this day of action and a small group will be travelling to London to represent our parish at the lobby. We will be asking MPs to back bold, practical action by committing to:

1. Deliver vital funding to communities hit hardest by climate change here and around the world
2. Cut bills, back UK jobs, and secure a greener fairer future for all
3. Restore nature to create a safer, healthier future

CAFOD are especially calling for debt relief alongside action on the climate crisis and its devastating impact on the world's poorest countries, made worse by an escalating debt crisis.

This Jubilee year, Pope Francis called for urgent action on these crises, a call reinforced by Pope Leo. As we take this important message to our elected representatives, we are honouring his legacy.

Another heartfelt appeal that I would make in light of the coming Jubilee is directed to the more affluent nations. I ask that they acknowledge the gravity of so many of their past decisions and determine to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them. More than a question of generosity, this is a matter of justice.

POPE FRANCIS, JUNE 2024

As we continue with our jubilee year as pilgrims of hope let us add our voices to call for a renewed world. Hope is a powerful motivation in our vision and action for a fair and just world for all.



Parish Coach Trip to Llandudno

The summer coach trip to Llandudno is Thursday 21st August.

Leaving St John Fisher at 9.15am and St Columba at 9.30am

We will have a comfort break at the Tweedmill in St. Asaph before arriving in Llandudno around lunchtime.

We will leave Llandudno at 5.15pm prompt!

The cost is £20 per person and the coach is filling up fast. If you want to secure a place please add your name to the lists at the back of church and pay a £10 deposit.



Charity Donations

Recently we have been experiencing difficulties with the collection of donations to the charity shops. They have been unable to collect due to a lack of volunteer drivers. While this is being sorted can we pause in the donations of clothes etc until we can be sure they can be collected. Donations to the food bank are not affected by this and can continue.



Family of Parishes – Pulpit Sharing

As you know the priests of our parishes have been moving around the family of parishes over various weekends to celebrate the weekend Masses in the different churches of our family of parishes. This will continue through the rest of the year to help us continue to develop our identity as a group of parishes working in collaboration for the future. We will be having a pulpit sharing next weekend.



Masses & Services This Week

Weekend 5th/6th July

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (People of the Parish)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (Les Orrit)

Tuesday 8th July

9.15am Mass at St C (Special Intention TF)

Wednesday 9th July

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St JF

Thursday 10th July

9.15am Mass at St C (A Sick Person)



Next Weekend 12th/13th July

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (Thanksgiving to St Martha)

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (People of the Parish)

Confession - available before and after Mass or by appointment

Collections:

Weeks 11th May - 8th June TOTAL £1,627.81

Eucharistic Ministers and Care Homes

We have two care homes in our parish and we regularly receive requests for a priest or a minister to attend the homes to give residents Holy Communion. It would be good if we could set up a regular rota for when visits could be made. If any of our Eucharistic Ministers would be willing to help out with a rota on an even a monthly or fortnightly basis would you please let Fr Michael know.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

The next date for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass is

Sunday 13th July



Archdiocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

This year will be a special pilgrimage as we will be marking the official recognition of the 71st miracle of Lourdes - Jack Traynor. Special prayer cards are available at the back of the churches to mark this, please feel free to take one away.



Five coaches of young people take part in the pilgrimage and the young people give of their time and energy to support the assisted pilgrims in various ways, and they take part in the official pilgrimage prayers of Lourdes alongside their own programme of social and spiritual events.

As always, the young people will be willing to take petitions to Lourdes and light candles there for your intentions. Please place your petitions in an envelope and pass them to Fr Michael before the pilgrimage (leaving 23rd July). Donations for candles to be lit need to be placed in a separate envelope.

Can I ask you to also consider giving to support our young pilgrims. The cost of going to Lourdes is kept as low as possible, travelling by coach and cheaper hotels but even so each young person needs around £1000 to go to Lourdes. We are able to support some who struggle financially, but it is a significant cost. Even a soft drink or an ice cream in Lourdes costs over £3! So we do try and like to buy a drink or an ice cream for the young people to enjoy in one of their break times. If you would like to contribute please pass a separate donation to Fr Michael. Thank you to those who have contributed so far.



Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Joan Haigh, Norma Pritchard, M. Rivi, Loretta McDonnell, Thomas Hopkins, Amy Murphy, Joseph Cameron, Rowan Sanderson, Karen Duffy, James Murphy, Elizabeth Jones, Anne Horsley, John Dempsey, June Courtney.

Parish Safeguarding Representative

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is

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Please make contact if you have any concerns relating to the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults in our parish.