

Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C
Sunday 13th July 2025

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Act Now, Change Forever

I wrote last week that a small group from the parish were planning to attend the mass lobby of Parliament with CAFOD and the Climate Coalition. Fr Michael, Colette Murphy and Fr Anthony joined thousands of others in calling for action on climate change, for people and nature.

Thousands gathered in Westminster on Wednesday for the Act Now, Change Forever mass lobby, calling on MPs to take urgent action on the climate crisis, unjust debt and nature loss. The event was organised by The Climate Coalition, a network of over 120 UK organisations representing more than 22 million people and highlighted the public demand for bold leadership amid a worsening climate crisis. According to research 89% of people want climate action.

We were able to meet with our local MP Annelise Midgley who promised to support our concerns and also graciously invited us onto the Terrace at the House of Parliament and gave us a tour including the Chapel.

It was great that we also met up with students from Bellerive Catholic College who had also travelled down for the lobby. It is so good to see young Catholics living out their faith in action.



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. This weekend we welcome Fr Richard to our parish.



Masses & Services This Week

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)

Tuesday 15th July

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St C

Wednesday 9th July

9.15am Mass at St JF (Mary Garnel)

Thursday 10th July

9.15am Mass at St C (Successful Operation)



Next Weekend 19th/20th July

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

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (A Person going through chemo)

Confession - available before and after Mass or by appointment

Collections:

Weeks 9th June - 6th July TOTAL £1,738.55

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 a even a monthly or fortnightly basis would you please let Fr Michael know.



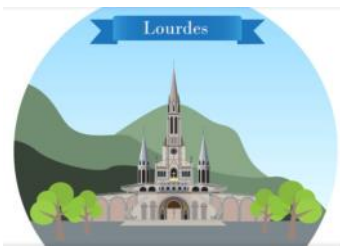
Children's Liturgy of the Word

The next date for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass today and after a break in August we will restart our children's liturgy in August.



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 are willing to take your petitions to Lourdes and light candles there for your intentions. **ALL petitions and donations need to be given by the latest at Masses next weekend or post through the presbytery door at St John Fisher before I leave on Wed 23rd July).**

Lourdes Petitions/Prayer Requests

Please place these in an envelope marked Petition/Prayer Request

Donations for Candles to be Lit

These need to be placed in a separate envelope with the donation and names/intentions for the candle.

Donation for the support of our youth pilgrims

Again in a clearly marked envelope. 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!



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.