Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C Sunday 16th November 2025

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Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend we join parishes across the Archdiocese, and churches throughout the UK, for Safeguarding Sunday — a national day of prayer and action led by the Christian safeguarding charity Thirtyone:eight.

The theme this year is "Action Speaks Louder". We are invited not only to talk about safeguarding, but to take meaningful steps to help create a parish where everyone feels safe, valued and supported. We acknowledge that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

We give thanks for our parish safeguarding representatives and all who quietly work to protect children, young people and adults at risk.

Please keep them and those they help in your prayers.

To learn more about the national campaign, visit Safeguarding Sunday

The aims of safeguarding Sunday are to

- Communicate the importance of safeguarding within congregations and the wider community.
- Highlight the actions and measures the church is taking to keep people safe.
- Make people aware of who they can raise concerns with or speak to and get help.
- Recognise and acknowledge the efforts of those involved in safeguarding.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact our Parish Safeguarding Representative or the Archdiocese Safeguarding Team: safeguarding@rcaol.org.uk | 0151 522 1043.



Film Night

Please not the proposed Film Night on Friday 28th November has now been postponed until Friday 23rd January next year.

Celebration for the Ending of the Jubilee Year of Hope

We have been marking the Jubilee Year of Hope all this year. The Jubilee year formally ends this Christmas but to mark the end in our parish, we thought to hold celebratory evening of prayer and friendship. After a short time of prayer, Fr Michael will share



some photos and information on his pilgrimages to Rome to see the Holy Doors (only open each Jubilee Year) and then we will share some food together. We will meet on Tuesday 16th December, 7pm at St Columba.

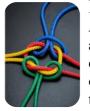


St Columba's Bonus Ball

There are a few vacant numbers in the weekly bonus ball lottery. If you would like to get more information please see Jim before the Sunday Mass. The cost is £2 per week to be paid in advance.

Newsletter via Email

If you would like to receive this newsletter each week via email please send an email to us here at cjf@rcaol.org.uk and ask to be added to the email database and then we can keep in contact. This saves on paper and printing costs and may be more convenient for you. It also means that you can follow any internet links more easily from the email version of the newsletter.



Family of Parishes – Pulpit Sharing

As you know the priests of our parishes have be 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 15th/16th November

Saturday 5.30pm Mass at St JF (Deceased of the Smith Family)

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

Monday 17th November

1.30pm Requiem Mass for Terence Byrne

Tuesday 18th November

9.15am Mass at St C (John Joseph Dean)

Wednesday 19th November

9.15am Mass at St JF (Helen Arslanian)

Thursday 20th November

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St C

Next Weekend 22nd/23rd November

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

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (Gordon Robie)

Confession - available before and after Mass or by appointment

Collections:

Weeks 8th Oct - 2nd Nov TOTAL £1,447.564

Second Collection for Youth Sunday Next Weekend

There will be a second collection next weekend for Animate our Archdiocesan youth agency. Envelops are available at the back of both churches should you wish to use them.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The next dates for Children's Liturgy at the 11am Mass will be

December 7th



We are also to hold a family faith and craft event during Advent on Sunday 14th December. More details to follow.



Advent and Christmas Services

The dates and times of Advent and Christmas Services are as follows

Advent Service of Light and Darkness

Wednesday 3rd December 7pm at St John Fisher

Childrens Crafts and Christingle Service

Sunday 14th Dec 3pm at St Columba.

Celebration for the Ending of the Jubilee Year of Hope

Tuesday 16th December 7pm at St Columba

Mince pies and mulled wine will be served after Mass on Saturday 20th December at St John Fisher.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve (Wednesday 24th)

Children's and Family Mass 5.30pm at St Columba 'Midnight' Mass 8pm at St John Fisher

Christmas Day (Thursday 25th)

Christmas Morning Mass 10am at St Columba



We will return to our usual Mass schedule the weekend of 27th/28th



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, John Dempsey, June Courtney, Gillian Kerwin, Margaret Donelly.

Parish Safeguarding Representative

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is

Jan Box 0151 548 5268

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

