

Ss COLUMBA & JOHN FISHER HUYTON & KNOWSLEY VILLAGE

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C
Sunday 17th August 2025

Fr Michael Fitzsimons Tel. 0151 936 7688

Parish Office Tel. 0151 489 1802

Email: cjf@rcaol.org.uk

Website: www.columba-johnfisher.org.uk

Peace for Ukraine

As I write this newsletter preparations are being made for the summit meeting between the presidents of America and of Russia. The hope is a possible time of ceasefire and a lasting peace for the people of Ukraine. Let us keep that in our prayers this weekend.

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.
Amen.

The reality is of course we could add Gaza, Israel, Sudan, Haiti, Yemen and so many other places



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. There is a few seats left on the coach so if you wish to come speak to Fr Michael.



Lourdes Petitions and Candles

All the petitions and candle requests were completed in Lourdes by our youth pilgrims. On our last evening the young people visited the Grotto and lit candles and prayed for all who had requested prayers and intentions. We lit a special candle for our own parish community too.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

During August we take a break with our children's liturgy and we will restart in September.

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

September 14th

October 12th

November 9th



Masses & Services This Week

Weekend 16th/17th August

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

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (Dale Wardle)

Tuesday 19th August

9.15am Mass at St C (Peter Mountaine)

Wednesday 20th August

9.15am Eucharistic Service at St JF

Thursday 21st August

NO SERVICES



Next Weekend 23rd/24th August

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

Sunday 11.00am Mass at St C (James and Kathleen Murray)

Confession - available before and after Mass or by appointment

Collections:

Weeks 7th July - 10th Aug TOTAL £1,756.24

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.



Mass Cards and Mass Intentions

Mass cards are available for sale at the back of both churches. Mass cards are often sent to individuals or to family at significant times such as a death in the family, someone falling sick or a special occasion such as an anniversary or celebration. They are a way of letting people know you are praying for them at a particular time or occasion and have requested a particular Mass to be said for the intention.

Mass cards usually have a section for a priest to sign in them as this means a Mass will be offered for that intention. It is usual that an additional donation is made for the Mass intention.

Mass intentions can of course be also requested without sending a Mass Card. The reason for a Mass intention can be varied as above with Mass cards but also to pray in thanksgiving or to ask for special prayers for a person or a situation.

Our Mass intentions are published in our newsletter each week. Please note that when requesting a Mass intention for a particular date it is best to make this request early as sometimes we have a waiting list for Mass intentions and also they are usually allocated up to two weeks in advance.

To request mass intentions please write the name or intention clearly on an envelop and indicate a preferred date, time and which church you would like. Place your donation for the intention in the envelop. We will always do our best to meet your requests but sometimes times and dates may have to be changed due to various circumstances.



Mass Intentions



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, Gillian Kerwin.

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.