#### 14<sup>th</sup> MAY 2023 6th SUNDAY YEAR A PSALTER WEEK II

Welcome to all our new parishioners. If you are intending to make St. John Fisher Parish your spiritual home, please complete a Data Information Form which can be found in the foyer of the church, so we can add you to our data information list and to our weekly bulletin mailing list. To all our visitors today ~ welcome and enjoy your visit. God bless. Fr. Thomas

# PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN

We would like to thank all our parishioners who help to keep the church working with your generous donations. For those of you who wish to donate electronically (EFT) please see the banking details in the bulletin.

### SAINTS OF THE DAY

14 Saint Matthias

15 Saint Dymphna

15 <u>Saint Isidore (the</u> Farmer)

17 Saint Paschal Baylon

18 Saint John I

19 Saint Alcuin

20 Saint Bernardino of

Siena

O Mary, Mother of God, as you are above all creatures in heaven and on earth, more glorious than the Cherubim, more noble than any here below, Christ has given you to His people, firm barrier and protectress, to shield and save sinners who fly to you. Amen



### ST. JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours Tuesday to Friday 09h00 to 14h00

MORNING PRAYERS

Tues, Wed, Thursday & Friday – 08h00 Rosary. Holy Mass begins at 08h30 **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:** Before or after morning Mass, by appointment or Saturday @ 16h00.

## MONDAYS -FATHER'S DAY OFF ~ NO MORNING MASS

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 17h00 Sunday: 07h30 / 09h30 / 17h00

Polish Mass @ 14h30 on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. *HOLY HOUR AND ADORATION WITH HOLY MASS* @ *17H00* 1<sup>st</sup> *FRIDAY OF THE MONTH* <u>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</u>: Notice must be given at least six months before receiving the Sacrament of Marriage. A civil marriage done at Home Affairs or with a Registered Marriage Office is mandatory prior to receiving the Sacrament of Marriage. A MAP Course must be attended, and confirmation given thereof. Contact the parish office for details.

DATES OF MAP COURSES 2023

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1	27-28 May 2023	(deadline for forms 20 May 2023)			
2	26-27 August 2023.	(deadline for forms 19 August 2023)			
3	28-29 October 2023	(deadline for forms 21 October 2023)			

BAPTISMS: Fr. Thomas would like to meet you prior to the training session for baptism. Kindly contact Sabie on 012 361 1561 Tues/Fridays 09h00-14h00 or on 084 583 1206. Then contact Maria Botha via WhatsApp on 083 397 1064 or <a href="mailto:mariabotha2@gmail.com">mariabotha2@gmail.com</a> with the names of the parents and child/children who are to be baptised. Notice for the preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism must be done at least *ONE* month before the Sacrament is received.

**FLOWERS:** Gill Enslin – 082 499 3973:

REPOSITORY OPENING TIMES: After Sat. 17H00 & Sun. 09H30 Masses. RCIA & ADULT ENOURY CLASSES:

Maria Botha – 083 397 1064 - mariabotha2@gmail.com

Marie McCrea van der Merwe – 079 692 0365 - mariea.mccrea@gmail.com

CATECHISM CLASSES: Compulsory for all children Gr 1 - Gr 11.

Nicki Koorbanally - 082 835 9432 - nkoorbanally@gmail.com

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ALTAR SERVERS: Jan d'Oliveira - 0824980614; Alvaro Peres - 0824476231

READERS: Linda Wolff on 0836728024 or lindacwolff@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS: Please write your Mass Intentions with the preferred Mass time on an envelope and give to Father personally or place in the collection plate. The cost is R50-00 per intention.

KNIGHTS OF DA GAMA: To join the Knights of Da Gama please contact: Charlie Higgins – 078 784 3020 Council 4

POLISH COMMUNITY: Elzbieta Osuch - 082 770 0629

**BOOKSALE EVERY FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH** 

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:** If you've changed any details, there are data information forms in the foyer of the church OR send an email to the parish.



SAT 17H00	+ANTONIO JUVENAL VIEIRA DE NOBREGA / SPECIAL INTENTION			
SUN 09H30	+NEYAM SOL MATRAS DZIEMBOWSKI RIP			
TUES 08H30	+ MARIA MERCES HELENA 1 <sup>ST</sup> ANN	WED 08H30	FOR +KARL ALFONSO RIP	
FRIDAY 08H30	FOR +STEVELYN KLYNHANS RIP			

#### PRAYER LIST FOR ALL OUR ILL PARISHIONERS:

l	FRANK ALTON	MONICA CUTUGNO	DELENE HOLT	STELLA KLEB	DEACON FRANCIS
	MARIA DE NOBREGA	TONY HASSETT	JAN FOURIE	EDNA MAYER	PHIL HEPBURN
l	VERONICA	MONICA	PETE HEPBURN	MRS ZDENKA	MR VLADIMIR
l	WHEATER	MYBURGH		PELEGRIN	PELEGRIN

Welcome home Father Thomas we hope you had a good rest and retreat, from all of us at St. John Fisher.

ASCENSION THURSDAY (celebrated on Sunday 21 May): There are two things to remember about this mystery. First, in a very real way, Jesus' ascension into heaven is the goal for each one of us. He goes before us, and we are to follow Him there. In the Ascension, the domain of God's glory is



opened to us, and Jesus, in His glorified humanity, He takes His rightful place at God's right hand. It is a privilege for all of us that one of our own, a man like us in all things but sin, has been so glorified. Not only that, he is calling us and interceding for us always so that we will one day join him. As the Catechism states: "Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the 'Father's house,' to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, his members, might have confidence that we too shall go where he, our Head and our Source, has preceded us" (No. 661). The second thing to remember about this mystery is that Jesus will come back. When that day comes, we should be ready. He has asked us to be his faithful disciples, living in a vital friendship with him. This is not magic, however. It takes the power of the Holy Spirit, whom each of us receives in baptism and confirmation. It also takes a lived relationship with God in prayer. Finally, Jesus expects us to be open, available and ready to cooperate with him in the mission he calls us to. Jesus' work on earth is now complete, but the task of bearing witness to Him and making disciples is never done, not until he returns at the end of time. That is the task the Apostles began to do, starting with prayer in the upper room as they awaited the promised Holy Spirit. Mary, the Mother of Jesus, was there with them. Clothed with the power of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the Apostles and disciples of Jesus began to preach and teach about him to Jews and to Gentiles. They began to do what the Lord Jesus asked them to do: bear witness and make disciples. That task is not just theirs; it belongs to all of us.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE APPEAL; If you are able to donate funds towards our Food Parcel Project, please deposit into our account as follows: Catholic Women's League, Standard Bank, The Grove 012445 Account No. – 012207780. Your reference/CWL Food Parcels. All your donations are always appreciated. God bless. The CWL ladies will be selling cookies and candy for Mother's Day. Please support them. Thank you!

WORLD UNION OF CATHOLIC WOMEN'S ORGANISATIONS (WUCWO) MASS. HOSTED BY: CWL PRETORIA ~ PRESIDED BY: BISHOP MASILO JOHN SELEMELA. DATE: 27 MAY 2023 ~ TIME: 09H00 ~ VENUE: CHURCH OF THE BEAUTITUDES PLOT 88 ATTERBURY ROAD EXTENSION, ZWAVELPOORT ST, ZWAVELPOORT, PRETORIA. ALL CATHOLIC WOMEN ARE INVITED.

Our sincere condolences to the MONNAKGOTLA family on the loss of ADAM EDGAR MONNAKGOTLA. His funeral will take place at Holy Cross this weekend. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon him. May the souls of all the faithful departed in the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

BAPTISMS 2023: Baptisms have been scheduled for the following dates:

TRAINING FROM 09H30 TO 11H00	BAPTISMS 11H00 TO 12H30	
8 JULY / 16 SEPTEMBER 2023	13 MAY / 15 JULY / 30 SEPTEMBER 2023	
PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE YOU APPOINTMENT WITH FATHER PRIOR TO ATTEND THE TRAINING.		
FIRST FIRDAY HOLY HOUR WILL RESUME ON 2 JUNE 2023		

The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother. Dear Lord, please watch over and support all mothers on earth and in

heaven and help them to know how much they are loved and appreciated on Mother's Day and every day.

