26TH FEBRUARY 2023 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR A PSALTER WEEK I

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

- 25 Saint Ethelbert
- 26 Saint Alexander
- 27 Saint Gabriel

Francis Possenti

28 Saint Angela of

Foligno

- 1 Saint John Cassian
- 3. Saint Katharine

Drexel

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and Believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor. He knows your weakness. He want only your love, wants only the chance to love you".

Saint Mother Teresa

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 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month. *HOLY HOUR AND ADORATION WITH HOLY MASS* @ *17H00 1st FRIDAY OF THE MONTH SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE*: 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

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 mariabotha2@gmail.com 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 ENQUIRY CLASSES:

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

Marie McCrea van der Merwe – 079 692 0365 - marie@cil.net

<u>CATECHISM CLASSES: Compulsory for all children Gr 1 – Gr 11.</u>

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

(Francis Ward – 072 419 7580 – francis.salisbury.ward@gmail.com

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.

RESUBSCRIBE TO MAILCHIMP: http://eepurl.com/gWRrhH

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TUES 08H30	FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY / +PASCAL MONKAM RIP 2 ND ANN.		
WED 08H30	+PASCAL MONKAM RIP 2 ND ANN.	THUR 08H30	+PASCAL MONKAM RIP 2 ND ANN
FRI 08H30	+PASCAL MONKAM RIP 2 ND ANN	SAT 17H00	+PASCAL MONKAM RIP 2 ND ANN

PRAYER LIST FOR ALL OUR ILL PARISHIONERS:

FRANK ALTON	MONICA CUTUGNO	DELENE HOLT	STELLA KLEB	DEACON FRANCIS
MARIA DE NOBREGA	TONY HASSETT	JAN FOURIE	EDNA MAYER	PHIL HEPBURN
GREG CAHI	MONICA MYBURGH	PETE HEPBURN	MRS BUTELEZI	MR BUTELEZI
CORINNE HENRY'S N				



STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY @ 18H00

There will be a second collect for the Bishops Lenten appeal at all weekend Masses during the period of lent.

PRAY FAST GIVE Thank you for your generosity.

EASTERN DEANERY PRIESTS MEETING: This was held on 21 February 2023 here at the parish. Many thanks to the CWL ladies who did all the catering for the priests. Your work is so appreciated. Thank you ladies and God bless Father Thomas.

<u>CWL</u>: The CWL would like to sincerely thank everyone who supports them financially or gives donations of food parcels for the poor. May God bless you for your kindness.

FUNERAL: REQUIEM MASS FOR BARRY HARRISON was held on Saturday 18 February 2023. On 25 February a memorial service was held for LUC YEBGA.

Our sincere condolences to the Harrison and Yebga family on the loss of Barry and Luc. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let your perpetual light shine upon them. 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:

TRAINNG FROM 09H30 TO 11H00	BAPTISMS 11H00 TO 12H30			
29 APRIL / 8 JULY / 16 SEPTEMBER 2023	6 MAY / 15 JULY / 30 SEPTEMBER 2023			
PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT WITH FATHER PRIOR TO ATTENDING				
THE TRAINING				

RETREAT: 24, 25 AND 26 MARCH 2023 IN THE PARISH HALL WITH FR JOSEPH WILSON msc. THE TOPIC: **LENT & THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES AROUND THE WORLD.** Friday from 17h00~Sat. from 09h00 and at all the Masses on Sunday. Please come along and enjoy this wonderful discussion and prayer. "Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World. Stop by the exhibition and witness how Jesus has miraculously manifested Himself throughout the centuries, and how this proves He is totally present, body, blood, soul and divinity in the Holy Eucharist." You may want to bring along a packed lunch and refreshments.

BUDGET PRESENTATION - 12 MARCH 2023 @ 11H00.

Please avail yourself for this meeting to see what is being done in your parish. The PPC will be there to help you if you would like to get involved in any activities. The more parishioners involved makes an active and vibrant church. The church belongs to **YOU!** Help nurture and protect her. All the numbers are in the bulletin if you would like to phone these portfolio heads and join them. Thank you.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: 3 March 2023 @ 10am. Venue NG Universiteitsoord, Duxbury, Hillcrest, Pretoria. Please join them and bring along a friend.

PLEASE DO NOT PAY THE CAR GUARDS IN THE PARKING LOT

These car guards are not authorised by the parish and are intimidating our parishioners.

PARKING: Please ensure you are considerate to others parking in our parking lot and park in the designated lines so we can fit as many people in. We know it is a bit of a squeeze but please park carefully. Many thanks in advance.

