

SAINT JOHN FISHER COMMUNITY

Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia (Charity No. 278742)

Place of Worship: Church Centre, High Street, Cambourne, Cambridgeshire, CB23 6GW

Presbytery: Our Lady of Lourdes, 135 High Street, Sawston, Cambridgeshire, CB22 3HJ

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Parish Donations: please give using: contactless machine, cash at Offertory, this QR code, or BACS to our SJF Barclays account: 33031454, sort: 20-17-20.



In July, you generously gave:

Offertory = £758; Standing Orders = £4,096; DONA = £98; Thank you!

Last weekend's SJF Mass attendances: 31st Aug = 1st Sep =

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Week beginning: Sunday 8th September 2024 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Year B; Psalter Week 3)

DATE	OBSERVANCE/ INTENTION	MASS	EVENTS/NOTES
Sat 7 th Sep	Our Lady on Saturday	16:30 Rosary 17:00 Holy Mass	Steering Group Meeting 18:30
Sun 8 th Sep <u>23rd Sunday</u>	Education Day	17:00 Holy Mass	Second Collection: Catholic Education Service
Mon 9 th Sep	For the Pope	12:30 Holy Mass	
Tue 10 th Sep	Birthday thanksgiving for Aunt Ruth Looker	12:30 Holy Mass	
Wed 11 th Sep	Our Lady and St Peter, Aldeburgh	12:30 Holy Mass	
Thu 12 th Sep	For Creation	18:30 Holy Mass	
Fri 13 th Sep	For the Spread of the Gospel	18:30 Holy Mass	
Sat 14 th Sep	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)	17:00 Holy Mass	
Sun 15 th Sep <u>24th Sunday</u>	Evangelii Gaudium Day	17:00 Holy Mass	Second Collection: the Home Missions

Welcome to Visitors!

We hope you feel welcome and will join us for refreshments after Saturday Mass.

Mass Ministries

SATURDAY: we use SPOND for planning help with set-up, music, readers, liturgy.

Contact Aga: iwaszka@live.com

SUNDAY: we use a WhatsApp group to plan help: set-up, music, readers, liturgy, offertory.

Contact Shanti: smpais12@gmail.com.

First Holy Communion/Confirmation 2025

Registration NOW OPEN for SJF

First Holy Communion candidates (age 7+)

Confirmation candidates (age 13+)

FHC parent's meeting: 21st September

Confirmation meeting: 29th September

More information and full dates to follow shortly, but please email your interest to:

Michelle - fhc@cambournerc.com

Paul - confirmation@cambournerc.com

Season of Creation: Hope and Act

Creation is groaning (Romans 8:22)

Creation is part of God's revelation, we must learn from and with Creation to know how to hope and act for a better future. It is important for us to listen to the voices that cry out. Faith leaders invite us to the Season of Creation (we suggest listening to the Indian Bishop (from 5.20 to 7.10 mins): <https://youtu.be/vLI5cT-56Yk>

THIS SATURDAY: Steering Group

There will be a Steering Group Meeting after the Mass on Saturday 7th September, from 18:30 in the Church Foyer.

Please come and support our church and join those who make time to organise and grow our community.

Transform Ministries Retreats

'Freedom' Retreat

27th-29th September, Clare Priory

Men's Day Retreat

12th October (10:00-21:00), Clare Priory

More info: www.transformministries.uk

Not to be Served, but to Serve

Those supporting and training our altar servers are stepping down and we urgently need someone(s) to oversee and enable parents to supervise them each week.

Contact Fr John ASAP if you can help.

Parish Prayer

Heavenly Father, we come before You to praise You and to thank You for the great gift of our parish and the community we have here. Holy and just God, we thank you for touching the hearts and the life of each parishioner. Keep us from pure self-serving behaviour and stir us to serve people who are most in need of your mercy. Lord, grant that each family might live their specific vocation to holiness in the Church as a call to become missionary disciples, in the service of life and peace, in communion with our priests, religious, and all vocations in the Church. Amen.

First Reading *(A reading from the prophet Isaiah 35:4-7)*

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;

for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm *(Psalms 145(146):7-10)*

(R) My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R)**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **(R)**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **(R)**

Second Reading *(A reading from the letter of St James 2:1-5)*

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation *(John 6:68)*

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel *(Mark 7:31-37)*

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly.

And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.' The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(all bow)* and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.