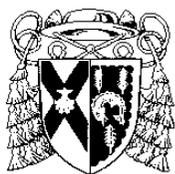


# FISHER HOUSE



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER – 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

### CALENDAR

Please sign-up online for Sunday Masses (inc. Saturday Vigil).

Saturday 3	6pm	Mass	Vigil for Sunday
SUNDAY 4	27 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR		
	9am	Mass	Sung Latin
	11am	Mass	Sung English
	6pm	Mass	
Monday 5	8.20am	Mass	
	1.05pm	Mass	
Tuesday 6	8.20am	Mass	<i>St Bruno</i>
	1.05pm	Mass	
Wednesday 7	8.20am	Mass	<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>
	1.05pm	Mass	
Thursday 8	8.20am	Mass	
	12.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
	1.05pm	Mass	
Friday 9	8.20am	Mass	<i>St John Henry Newman</i>
	1.05pm	Mass	
	6.00pm	Vespers	
Saturday 10	1.05pm	Mass	<i>Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>
	6pm	Mass	Vigil for Sunday

### PLANNING FOR A FRUITFUL YEAR

Over the past few weeks, I've been thinking a lot about how we can have a fruitful year at Fisher House. In particular, I've been thinking about how we can connect with new students. Given the current situation, this is going to be a little bit more challenging than usual, but I have a plan: I've asked my very able pastoral assistant Paul to create some enticing posters which will soon be put up around the University. The posters have a QR code which will enable new students to register their details with us. Once they've registered with us, they will receive an introductory email informing them who their College Rep is, as well as other information such as the name of our Facebook Group, The Fisher Society, and a link to the Sunday Mass sign up page. Those who register will also be added to the weekly Fisher House email list. So hopefully, this will enable anyone who might be interested in Fisher House to know what's going on.

Whether this plan goes as smoothly as I hope is yet to be seen. Still, I am somewhat mindful of today's Gospel story about the tenants working in the vineyard. The tenants clearly wanted to be fruitful, and there were structures in place enabling them to be so. But they had overlooked one crucial principle in their endeavours: they were tenants working on their landowner's vineyard. This is something that didn't fit in with their plans. They just wanted to be fruitful for themselves rather than for their landlord.

Being able to enjoy the fruits of our labours can of course be very fulfilling, and God does not deny us this fulfilment. But the only fruit that will truly satisfy us for all eternity is the fruit that belongs to Jesus Christ. The plans we make might not turn out exactly as we expect, but what we can expect is to bear the fruit of Jesus Christ if we entrust all our plans to Him.

Fr Robert Verrill OP

## READERS AND ALTAR SERVERS

Fisher House needs readers and altar servers for Sunday masses. If you are interested, contact Paul Norris (pn303), CCing Bálint Szathury (bs611) for altar serving.

## LIBRARY REOPENING

The library will be reopening for students of the University as a study space this week with the beginning of term. Check the Facebook group for updates, or contact Paul Norris (pn303).

## SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The SVP is a volunteer-run organisation at Fisher House and from this Thursday we will be restarting our daily soup runs. This is where we offer hot drinks and food to the homeless in Cambridge. We would love to have more volunteers, so if you want to learn more or sign up please visit <http://tinyurl.com/svp-souprun-guide>.

Nikhil Antony

## FISHER FRIENDS ZOOM MEETING

The Fisher Friends will meet on Sunday at 12 noon. Follow the link <https://duke.zoom.us/j/98483207162> or use the meeting ID: 984 8320 7162.

## SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER YEAR A — 27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

### THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### FIRST READING

Let me sing to my friend  
the song of his love for his vineyard.  
My friend had a vineyard  
on a fertile hillside.  
He dug the soil, cleared it of stones  
and planted choice vines in it.  
In the middle he built a tower,  
he dug a press there too.  
He expected it to yield grapes,  
but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and men of Judah,  
I ask you to judge  
between my vineyard and me.  
What could I have done for my vineyard  
that I have not done?  
I expected it to yield grapes.

*Isaiah 5:1–7*

Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you  
what I am going to do to my vineyard:  
I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on,  
and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.  
I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;  
overgrown by the briar and the thorn.  
I will command the clouds  
to rain no rain on it.  
Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of Hosts  
is the House of Israel,  
and the men of Judah  
that chosen plant.  
He expected justice, but found bloodshed,  
integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

℟: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
to plant it you drove out the nations.  
It stretched out its branches to the sea,  
to the great river it stretched out its shoots. ℟
2. Then why have you broken down its walls?  
It is plucked by all who pass by.  
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,  
devoured by the beasts of the field. ℟
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,  
look down from heaven and see.  
Visit this vine and protect it,  
the vine your right hand has planted. ℟

*Psalm 79:9–20*

4. And we shall never forsake you again:  
give us life that we may call upon your name.  
God of hosts, bring us back;  
let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. ℟

### SECOND READING

*St Paul to the Philippians 4:6–9*

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

### ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,  
because I have made known to you  
everything I have learnt from my Father.  
Alleluia!

### GOSPEL

*Matthew 21:33–43*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, ‘Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. “They will respect my son” he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, “This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance.” So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard

and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?’ They answered, ‘He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.’ Jesus said to them, ‘Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders  
that became the keystone.

This was the Lord’s doing  
and it is wonderful to see?

‘I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

## **THE 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, 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.