



16<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week II

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY (1 Corinthians 12:4, 11)

**“There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord [...] All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses”** St. Paul also tells us “The particular way in which the Spirit is given to us is for a good purpose”. Mary, filled with the Spirit served the Lord with humility and joy. We too are called to serve one another, sharing our gifts and talents with humility and joy. At the wedding feast of Cana, Mary said “do what he tells you”. What is the Lord telling us ... through one another, through listening, through scripture? Jesus manifested himself to all nations in the manger, at his baptism and at the changing of water into wine. During the week of prayer for Christian Unity, how can I, you we, manifest to others and share the love of God ever present in us? **Listen in silence, ask how does the word speak to me?** I invite each person or each family to have a bible or to read from “Catholic Bible on-line”. Let’s place a crucifix in our houses. Place a picture, statue, icon of your favourite saint for all to see to inspire others.

## HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

*For true human fraternity* We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

## PARISH MATTERS AND NEWS FROM THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL** – Mrs Bernadette Smith will be retiring later this year and our wonderful school is recruiting for its next headteacher. We give thanks for Mrs Smith’s tremendous contribution to the lives of the children of the parish. Those interested in applying for the role of Headteacher can find details at [www.eteach.com](http://www.eteach.com), with reference Eteach/TP070115.

**PAX CHRISTI** – Peace Sunday 16 January 2022 “The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice”.

**DIARY DATE - CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK 18-25 January 2022 – Sacred Heart Church are hosting on 23 January at 4.00pm.** Please support this event of prayer and worship by joining Churches Together in Teddington and Hampton Wick. **Volunteers please for organising and serving tea and coffee, cake and biscuits afterwards.** See notice board for other planned events. Several parishioners have commented that as a parish we should do more to work together with other local churches – this is the opportunity to witness to this desire.

**Church attendance** We are conscious that many families are unable to attend Mass because of Covid 19. Please be assured you are not forgotten but that you are missed and we remember you in prayer.

### Sons of Divine Providence

MULBERRY COURT, 25 KT1 4HB now open - downsizing retirement apartments for sale.

**New to the parish?** Welcome! We are so pleased that you’ve joined us. Please email the parish office to register.

**Mass Intentions** – envelopes at the back of the church.

**Parish communications** - knock on the door, telephone or send an email. If no answer, leave a message and we’ll get back to you.

**Parish Safeguarding Representative** Estella Weston, who can be reached at: [teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk).

**Parish finances** - our grateful thanks to all parishioners who continue to support the parish financially. **December:** S.O. & envelopes £2169.00; Loose plate & Contactless £629.42; Missio £150.19; Red boxes £42.87. Last Sunday’s Loose plate collection: Cash **£143.08**

If you are a tax payer, please fill in a Gift Aid form, The parish can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give and it will not cost you any extra. **Please use the DONA facility in church to donate by bank card.** Standing Order Forms with Gift Aid info available.

**Contacting Traci, our bookkeeper** email [teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk) or ring me between 1:30pm and 4:30pm on Thursdays in the parish office on 020 8977 2986 with any questions regarding donations, gift aid or parish finances.

**LECTIO DIVINA** (1 Corinthians 12:4, 11)

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Pope Francis invites us to pray with Scripture: read a passage, choose a word or phrase; read it again, meditate (active thinking), and contemplate (sit in silence holding the thought). Re-read the text - ask God what he wants me to do ... act of charity, change your ways, forgive, help others in their journey, accept help in yours ... Sit, listen, pray, act. The Day by Day booklet is helpful!

**SACRAMENTS - ENROLLING NOW**

**Baptism, First Confession, Holy Communion, Confirmation** we are gathering catechists to prepare candidates for the sacraments **Marriage in the parish** Please email the parish office - remember you must give at least six months' notice for marriage here in the UK, and more for overseas.

**POPE FRANCIS WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

Yes, Pope Francis would like to hear from you and every one of us throughout the world via the Synod Journeying Together. More information about the Synod is available on [www.rcdow.org.uk/synod](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/synod) including an explanation by Cardinal Nichols and online listening events.

**SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS** leaflets at the back of the church. Thanks to Mass goers and to Sacred Heart school parents for completing and returning the questionnaires. We are collating information and will send a summary to Westminster for inclusion in the wider process that will conclude with the 2023 Synod in Rome

We still wish to hear from young people attending Mass. Please continue to circulate questionnaires to young people who do attend Mass and return their responses. “Young people are the sunshine or the storms of the future”. May they be sunshine for Sacred Heart

**QUESTIONNAIRE FOLLOW UP** Your responses have been invaluable for listening to good and not so good experiences. We cannot turn the clock back where there is damage or woundedness but to can build a rosier future. The building will be with Jesus as the cornerstone and in his name we invite respondents and others to come forward as volunteers to drive a new pastoral vision. The suggestions are good and valid. The pastor will lead but not alone – AS ONE BODY – we will journey together. Please listen to your hearts and come forward to help reach out to all age groups, with commitment, safely, and promoting social and charitable works.

**MARY’S MEALS – A SIMPLE SOLUTION TO WORLD HUNGER**

If you donate to Mary’s Meals before 21 January 2022, your donation will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, to a maximum of £1.6m, allowing this wonderful charity to reach even more hungry children with school meals. Please see [marysmeals.org.uk](http://marysmeals.org.uk) for details of its work and how to donate.

**HOLY LAND** Please support Christians with prayer and/or donations. See posters in narthex.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGES** Northern Star Travel is now taking bookings for 2022 and 2023 pilgrimages to the Holy Land. £1095 per person sharing, £1350 in single room. Visit [northernstartravel.com](http://northernstartravel.com) or phone 0161 773 2115 for details.

**Omicron variant:** following points are to be followed in our churches:

- People displaying any symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person.
- That hand sanitiser is available to those attending Church.
- Strong recommendation for people to wear a face covering (both nose and mouth) during the act of worship.
- Ensure good ventilation and air throughput in the building; so important to wrap up well!
- For self and others, if possible, please get vaccinated and have the booster jab as available.
- Those engaged in a form of pastoral ministry to the housebound, sick and vulnerable: regular lateral flow tests to ensure they are safe to do so. These are free from NHS.

**NEXT WEEK’S READINGS**  
**(23<sup>rd</sup> Jan, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C)**  
 Neh 8:2-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30;  
 Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

**PARISH INFORMATION**  
**Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator** (for Fr. Reg Dunkling)  
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**Mass times:** Sunday: 9.30am and 11.15am; Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.30am at Sacred Heart or 6.25pm at Sons of Divine Providence; Saturday: Mass 12 noon at Sons of Divine Providence (25 Lower Teddington Road, Hampton Wick, KT1 4HB)

Next week’s Mass Intentions				
<b>Sunday</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and Fr. Desmond Baker RIP Parishioners and Fr. Desmond Baker RIP
<b>Monday</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St Anthony	9.30am	Fr Reg Dunkling
<b>Tuesday</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	weekday in ordinary time	9.30am	Tommy Tumilty RIP
<b>Wednesday</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St Wulstan	9.30am	Anne Biss (Get Well)
<b>Thursday</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St Fabian and St Sebastian	No Mass	Please pray the rosary as family
<b>Friday</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	St Agnes	9.30am	Kay Gabriele and family
<b>Saturday</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	St Vincent	9.30-11am	Church open: Adoration and Confession
<b>Sunday</b>	23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	