



Sacred Heart, Teddington

Parish Newsletter

23RD OCTOBER 2022

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK II

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

'Pharisee's prayer: "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here" [...] The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring to raise his eyes to heaven [...] **"God be merciful to me a sinner."** (Luke 18:9-14) My prayer to God: am I the pharisee or the tax collector? The Pharisee is full of pride and dismissive of others. Like the tax collector, can I bow my head with humility and shame, unable to look God in the face, and beat my breast whilst saying "be merciful to me a sinner." We keep talking about the need for a humble, transparent confession, but have to tried facing God in the confessional and receiving his mercy and compassion from the priest who at that moment is Jesus himself? Why not start to prepare by praying and reflecting on your life, present and past. Experience understanding, compassion and forgiveness. When absolved, experience inner freedom and joy. Breathe freely, go for a walk or a run; Pray! Dance! Rejoice! Life has changed, not ended. Spiritual death changes to life in preparation for Eternal Life...

POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER A Church Open To Everyone We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel. May the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

PARISH MATTERS AND NEWS FROM THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL our parish school on St Mark's Road in Teddington will be doing tours of Nursery and Reception at 9.40am, on the following Fridays: 4,11, 25 Nov, 2 Dec. Please call 020 8977 6591 or email info@sacredheart.richmond.sch.uk to book.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY World Mission Sunday 23 October. Missio: Sharing hope in Ethiopia; Also give on-line www.missio.org.uk

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE Estella Weston, email: teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk **More PSRs welcome!**

NEW TO THE PARISH? We are so happy to welcome you! Email teddington@rcdow.org.uk or ask for a form to register your details.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at Sacred Heart Church - First Aiders; Fire safety wardens to be available in case of emergency during Masses; a **Parish Safeguarding Representative (PSR)** for 11.15 Mass or to alternate 9.30am / 11.15am; **Parish Committee members; youth animator** – all with training available. **Volunteers sought to attend the parish house when necessary, during building works.**

SATURDAY EVENING MASS at Sacred Heart Church 6pm for children preparing for Holy Communion and their families. Interest is growing from families whose children have Sunday activities and help is being offered from parents willing to help set up and lock up. We need readers, servers, first aiders, fire wardens? Willing to volunteer? Please contact Fr. Stephen teddington@rcdow.org.uk

HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2022 Weekly classes 5pm followed by Mass 6pm on 22 Oct; 5 Nov; 12 Nov; 19 Nov. First Holy Communion Mass - confirmed Saturday 26 November at 2.00 p.m. Venue St. Francis de Sales, Hampton Hill. Please note: restricted parking.

2023 BATCH HOLY COMMUNION email Margaret teddingtoncat1@rcdow.org.uk; **CONFIRMATION** Susanne teddingtoncat2@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH FINANCES - our grateful thanks to all parishioners who continue to support the parish financially. **September:** Standing Orders: £2,124 **Last Sunday loose plate collection** £123.02; **Contactless** £0.00 **To donate for Sunday collection, use QR code shown below or use the photo setting of your mobile phone. To set up a Standing Order:** Forms available. Pay at HSBC Bank plc. Account no. 21094548 Sort Code 40-05-20 credit of WRCDT Teddington (& Hampton Wick); please write your initials and surname so we may identify payments.

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM TRACI BLUNDELL Gift Aid statements have gone out. If you should have received one but didn't, please contact Traci. Thank you for gift aiding your donations. Our claim for the 2021-2022 tax year came to £5882.25, with the small donations scheme adding £1197.60. Gift aiding your donations. It costs you nothing and increases your donation by 25%. If you are a taxpayer and would like more information, please contact Traci or collect and complete a gift aid and standing order form in the hall. We would also like to thank everyone for your generous offerings to the parish. We cannot continue our work without you.

SIOBHAN MCCAUGHEY RIP FIRST ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL MASS Sacred Heart Church Teddington, Friday 4th November at 11.00 a.m. followed by light refreshment. An opportunity for parishioners to share happy memories, thanks and a tear with Siobhan's family and friends.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – new lay representative sought from Sacred Heart Church Teddington. Interested in the life and activity of the other local Christian Churches and promoting ecumenism? Quarterly meetings. See Fr. Stephen or John Lunt for info.

THE BRIDGE MAGAZINE Autumn issue hard copy or www.sonsofdivineprovidence.org click **Support us** then **Publications**. Enjoy!

SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL 1962 – 2022 CELEBRATES 60 YEARS - Vatican website. Read Church docs Lumen Gentium & Gaudium et Spes.

OCTOBER IS DEDICATED TO OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY – a great opportunity to ask Our Lady's intercession us and our needy world. Make the effort to pray the rosary every day during October, by yourself, with your family or other groups, wherever and whenever.

BUILDING WORKS measurements taken: costs are being collated for options a) to either net the ceiling – a long term project, b) to replace the whole of the ceiling with plasterboard and insulation but retaining the finish with light weight moldings – like for like finish. We will keep you updated about drains and the wall. When scaffolding is erected, there will be an investigation to see into the area between the roof and the ceiling to try to assess the condition of materials. The roof is more than 100 years old, so what will they find??? A damp course report also awaited and a price to insulate the presbytery. Finance committee will prepare a report when we know costs and the insurance contribution.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

CAFOD – World Food Crisis Appeal Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. The situation worsens every day. Use the envelope for our parish collection, the QR code or go to www.cafod.org.uk

CARITAS - FIRM FOUNDATIONS IN A COST OF LIVING CRISIS a free one day conference for representatives from our schools and parishes. Get to know some organisations who are there to help us all. Saturday 12 November 10.30 – 5.00pm. All Saints Catholic College, St. Charles Square, W10 6EL. Details and register <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/event-list.php>

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED Lebanon www.acnuk.org/lebanon A humanitarian disaster ... in slow motion

CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY Christmas Card Brochure 2022 telephone Wrexham 01948 831 046; www.cathchild.org.uk

FAITH IN PHONICS SERIES – Bringing Christian faith to Children's Literacy supporting children in religious education developing their substantive knowledge, ways of knowing and personal knowledge Redemptorist publications www.rpbooks.co.uk

INTERACT – LIFEWORDS worldwide sharing of the faith in words and stories. LIFEWORDS www.lifeworlds.global

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE –News 17 October from Sons of Divine Providence monastery – Kyiv under attack with drones and missiles. The war continues. 07.00 Drones and remote-controlled bombs – difficult to pray with the hum of drones and the blasts of explosions – 2 felt clearly close to us. Afternoon – more cities elsewhere being bombed. Counting of damage and victims begins. We live day by day, hour by hour. Our activity with the boys oratory goes on – a “refuge” to spend time together, to play, drive away for a moment the terrible thought of war [...] Life goes on ... this week we distributed food with Greek Catholic Caritas, parish of St. Nicholas and an OMI brother. Reconstruction project has begun – the war goes on. We are “throwing ourselves into the fire of new times”. “Great” charity is our strategic weapon (Don Orione). In L'viv, visits to soldiers in hospital bringing them toiletries, winter socks, chocolate. Invites to local boys to come to the monastery once a month for a concrete experience of prayer and charitable works. SDP helping Leopoli, Kyiv and L'viv. Details below of how to donate – thank you.

Sons of Divine Providence and Don Orione Sisters are actively present in Ukraine. Our Superior General has asked for increased prayers following the increased intense fighting, death and destruction. **To donate:** Bank transfer reference: **“Ukraine Emergency”** Payee: **Don Orione Onlus Foundation** To: **BANK: Sanpaolo Spa, Milano; IBAN: IT57 S030 6909 6061 0000 0001 484; BIC / SWIFT CODE: BCITITMMXXX** Thank you. Your donations go to buy food, medicine and clothing.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA 16th Oct Christ Church (Rev Dominic Stockford), 23rd Oct St Michael's Church

RICHMOND COUNCIL - HELP WITH COST OF LIVING with bills, money – grants and benefits, employment support, food, family and childcare, housing and home improvements, health and care. Whichever topic www.richmond.gov.uk/news

THE MULBERRY CENTRE is a cancer information and support centre with a non-clinical environment, set in the grounds of West Middlesex Hospital. It provides support to all affected by a diagnosis of cancer, regardless of postcode or hospital of diagnosis. **All services at the Centre are free**, and anyone registered with the Centre can access these services regardless of where they live or are being treated. For details, see: <https://themulberrycentre.co.uk/>

RED MISSION BOXES – still available to help the abroad missions – take one – put in some coins and return. Ask Fr. Stephen for a box ...

JUSTICE AND PEACE E-BULLETIN October 2022 Diocese of Westminster – see diary of events justiceandpeace@rcdow.org.uk

GUMLEY HOUSE SCHOOL (fcj) SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENT Wednesday 2nd November for current Year 11 students from 4pm – 6.30pm. www.gumleyhouse.com @gumleyhouse; info@gumleyhouse.com

MASSES 1ST NOVEMBER – ALL SAINTS DAY – 09.30 a.m. and 7.30pm in Church hall

MASSES 2ND NOVEMBER – ALL SOULS DAY - 09.30 a.m. and 7.30pm in Church hall; & 1.50pm in Sacred Heart School, St. Mark's Road.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY PRAYER SERVICE 13 November 11.00 a.m. at Teddington War Memorial next to Teddington Hospital.

HOLY SOULS LISTS AND ENVELOPES in hall – Remember all who have died in warfare and violence and your loved ones who have died.

CATHOLIC PAPERS ON-LINE including The Universe, The Catholic Herald, The Catholic Post, The Tablet. Discover through search engine.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

(30th Oct, 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C)

Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10

PARISH INFORMATION

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Mass times: 9.30am and 11.15am in parish rooms until roof repairs are complete. Other local Sunday Masses: 9.30am (in English) and 11.00 (in Polish) at Sons of Divine Providence, Hampton Wick; 23, KT1 4EU

Weekday Masses

Day	Date	Mass	Time	Special Intention
Sunday	23 rd Oct	30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners Special intention
Monday	24 th Oct	St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop	9.30am	Heather Day RIP
Tuesday	25 th Oct	The Six Welsh Martyrs and their Companions	9.30am	Terry Edwards RIP
Wednesday	26 th Oct	Ss Chad and Cedd, Bishops	9.30am	Teresa Searson (sick)
Thursday	27 th Oct	Weekday of Ordinary Time	No Mass	Cathy Hobday birthday
Friday	28 th Oct	Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles	9.30am	Patricia & Neil Chawla
Saturday	29 th Oct	Weekday of Ordinary Time	6pm	Patricia & Neil Chawla
Sunday	30 th Oct	31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners Patricia & Neil Chawla