



Sacred Heart, Teddington

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Parish Newsletter



26TH FEBRUARY 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

PSALTER WEEK I

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

'Have mercy on me God in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt, and cleanse me from my sin' 'A pure heart create for me O God, put a steadfast spirit in me.' (Psalm 50(51)). Psalm 51 is a penitential psalm. Lord make me more Christ-like during this Lenten season – may I be merciful, kind, compassionate, cleansed of sin and guilt, pure of heart. Give me a steadfast Spirit. Remind me to pray for the Pope, the Church and the needy of today. May I be holy.

POPE'S INTENTION FOR MARCH: FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

PARISH MATTERS AND NEWS FROM THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

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.

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

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 9.30/11.15am; **Parish Committee members; youth animator** – all with training available. **Volunteers sought to be at parish house, as necessary, during building works.**

SATURDAY EVENING MASS 6pm Sacred Heart Church An alternative for families whose children have Sunday activities. If you are willing to help set up and lock up, to read, serve, be, first aiders, fire wardens etc., please contact Fr. Stephen teddington@rcdow.org.uk

PARISH FINANCES - our grateful thanks to all parishioners who continue to support the parish financially. **January:** Standing Orders: £2,284.00 **Last Sunday's loose plate collection** £85.95. Thank You; **Contactless** £4.00 **To set up a Standing Order:** Forms available on hall trolley. Pay at HSBC Bank plc. Account no. 21094548 Sort Code 40-05-20 credit of WRCDT Teddington (& Hampton Wick); write your initials and surname so we may identify payments. **Instructions on hall notices to load QR app onto your mobile phone.** Sign up to Gift Aid your weekly collections and donations at no cost to you. Gift aided will raise an extra 25% to boost the parish finances.

NEXT SECOND COLLECTION – Lenten Alms Appeal On-going during Lent; **Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2023: 22nd Feb - 12th Mar** supporting Marriage and family life, Youth and Evangelisation, The Education Service and Caritas Westminster.

CAFOD Family Fast Day 3 March 2023. *End of March: Don Orione World Missions; July – Sisters Divine Love Mission Appeal*

LENT 2023 FAITH-SHARING: 'Enlarging the Space of our Tent', written by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ and Colette Joyce from the Westminster Justice and Peace Commission. Five 60-90 minute sessions, each on a theme covered by **Justice and Peace**, including **poverty and homelessness, racial justice, care of creation, migrants and refugees, and peace.** Each session explores the theme in the light of a piece of Scripture from the coming Sunday (beginning Second Sunday of Lent, finishing with Palm Sunday), prayer, a reflection on experience from a local example here in our diocese, and questions to aid group sharing. **HERE AT SACRED HEART Starts Tuesday 28 February 7pm; 1 March 10.15a.m.** Booklets have arrived. See Fr. Stephen / John Lunt.

CAFOD Syria-Turkey Earthquake Appeal *CAFOD have already sent £100,000.00.* CAFOD is responding with food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors. We join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by earthquakes and winter weather. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>. Video Lent Appeal video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ULTqHsawCZU&t=34s> **Also collecting for Sao Paolo, Brazil hit by floods**

DATES FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION 2023 – 4 March; Saturday evening sessions will be followed by 6pm Mass at which children and families are encouraged to attend. First Confessions 11 March in the morning.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE FOR PARENTS AND GODPARENTS Here at Sacred Heart Church Hall. Monday 27 Feb 7-9pm To enrol: email: Susanne teddingtoncat2@rcdow.org.uk We will email you a baptism form for completion (or ask for one after any Mass).

DAY BY DAY LENT READINGS Adults £1.00 per copy, Parents please take free copy of Juniors and Infants to share faith with children.

CHURCH BUILDING WORKS UPDATE – **discerning way forward for which route of repairs and ideas for grants, fund raising.**

POPE FRANCIS 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF PONTIFICATE CELEBRATION INITIATIVE: SDP make a 4th vow of Special Faithfulness to the Holy Father. **From our Superior General:** An initiative, born in the context of the Digital Synod, offers the possibility to join the proposal "A Hail Mary for Francis." Those who wish to share this initiative will find on the website **www.decimus-annus.org** which will be active until March 13, an invitation to pray one or more Hail Mary's for Pope Francis. Each adhesion may be represented by a virtual candle placed on a map. In the end, a map with many lit virtual candles will be sent to the Holy Father, to visually show Francis the support offered to him through prayer by the faithful around the world as he approaches the milestone of his 10th pontificate.

BEYOND OUR PARISH

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE 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.

THE BRIDGE MAGAZINE Winter issue now on-line www.sonsofdivineprovidence.org click **Support us** then **Publications**. Enjoy!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA 26th February, St Frances de Sales Church, Rev Shaun Church; 5th March Teddington Baptist Church Rev John Gleghorn; 12th March National Physical Laboratory Christian Fellowship Helen McEvoy

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON WARM HUBS Everyone is welcome at all venues, no need to be a churchgoer. Our spaces are free, warm, welcoming and safe. WarmWelcomeTeddington@gmail.com See posters

DON'T FORGET WARM HUB AT THE SACRED HEART CHURCH, TEDDINGTON EVERY TUESDAY 10.00 – 12NOON CHAT/TEA/COFFEE

RETRouvaille – A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES! Phone 07887 296983; website www.retrouvaille.org.uk Confidential

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER is a Catholic Movement to help enrich marriage, nurture healthy family relationships and bring God to the heart of your marriage and family. Next residential is 3-5 March 2023 in Swindon, or 13-14 May 2023 Online <https://wwme.org.uk>

THE GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK P.O. Box 46679, London NW9 8ZT; Tel: 020 7723-1740; www.goodcounselnetwork.com; Mediating Motherhood – counselling for women for moral support and/or advice regarding continued pregnancy.

SPUC 2023 YOUTH CONFERENCE 24-26 February, Yarnfield Park, Stone, Staffordshire ST15 0NL Young people can book a place at www.spuc.org.uk/2023youthconference Pray for an end to abortion and for respect and dignity of life.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SVP Westminster Diocese Festival 25th March 2023 See poster displayed in hall

FOODBANK St Michael's Church, Fulwell, Wilcox Road, Teddington TW11 0SP tel: 07516935655 www.richmond.foodbank.org.uk If you need help the foodbank is there for you. If you can donate items make contact, and thanks for helping the needy of Teddington.

HOW TO USE QR CODE ON YOUR PHONE TO DONATE whether to parish or charities of your choice. See poster displayed in hall.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR EVERYONE 3 MARCH at St. Francis de Sales Church, Teddington. 2pm www.wwdp.org.uk

TEDDINGTON AND HAMPTON WICK VOLUNTARY CARE GROUP 50 YEARS GIVING FREE HELP in any possible way assisting with, lifts to attend medical appointments, social events, arranging outings, door to Tesco "shopping buses". Now pandemic restrictions lifted, if you know of anyone who might benefit from these services, or you need help yourself, or would like to be a volunteer please contact the office Monday- Friday mornings 9.30 - 11.30 on 0208 943 3112 or e-mail Tedd_hwvcg@binternet.com

CARITAS WESTMINSTER are asking Sacred Heart Church Teddington for a parish representative. We are all called to live and promote the values and principles of Catholic Social Teaching that embrace: The Dignity of the Human Person, The Common Good, Solidarity and Subsidiarity. Out of these flow the principles of the Preferential Option for the Poor, Participation, Economic Justice and Care for our Common Home, Care for God's creation among others. The question to ask ourselves is 'how can we as a parish and school live these values and promote them, above all locally?' This is 'home mission in action' that leads to 'world mission in action.' Please see Fr. Stephen or contact Sr. Silvana on-line **Caritas Westminster Parish Representative** for further details.

Weekday Masses

Saturday	25 th Feb	Weekday of Lent	9.30 – 11am 6pm	Adoration and Confession Jacki Humpfries RIP anniv
Sunday	26 th Feb	1 st Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners White family
Monday	27 th Feb	St Gregory of Narek, Abbot Doctor of the Church	9.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	28 th Feb	Weekday of Lent	9.30am	Bryan Kay RIP (anniv)
Wednesday	1 st Mar	St David, Bishop, Patron of Wales	9.30am	Maria Woodford RIP (80 th bd)
Thursday	2 nd Mar	Weekday of Lent	No Mass	Please pray the rosary at home
Friday	3 rd Mar	Weekday of Lent	9.30am	Catherine McGloin RIP (1st anniv)
Saturday	4 th Mar	St Casimir	9.30 – 11am 6.00pm	Adoration and Confession Gemma Miller RIP (anniv)
Sunday	5 th Mar	2 nd Sunday of Lent	9.30am 11.15am	James Carver RIP Parishioners

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

(5th Mar, 2nd Sunday of Lent, Year A)

Gen 12:1-4, 3:1-7; 2 Tim 1:8-10; Matt 17:1-9

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