
St. Teresa's Morden

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17TH APRIL 2016

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 17th 4th Sunday of Easter

Vigil 6.30pm Rita Clarke R.I.P.

9.00am People of the Parish

11.00am Professor Dr Polycarp Ikeh R.I.P.

Monday 18th

10.00am Mike Bouchier R.I.P.

Tuesday 19th

10.00am Bridget Bakpa R.I.P.

Wednesday 20th

10.00am Tony D'Souza - Thanksgiving

Thursday 21st St Anselm

Please note time change

10.30am Funeral – David Abberley R.I.P

Friday 22nd

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am

10.00am Karl Joseph Mussi R.I.P.

Saturday 23rd

Confessions 10.30 – 11am & 6.00 – 6.15pm

Sunday 24th 5th Sunday of Easter

Vigil 6.30pm People of the parish

9.00am Bernard Thompson R.I.P.

11.00am Ivy Board R.I.P.

Thank you for the weekend collection £1115.68. Standing Orders £689.00. Total £1804.68.

Parish Activities

Sunday 17th: 2nd Collection for Ecclesiastical Education

Refreshments in the parish centre after 11.00am Mass.

Monday 18th: Mother and Toddlers at 9.00am in the parish centre.

RCIA Journey in Faith at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 19th: Tuesday Club meet at 10.30am in the parish centre.

Prayer and Adoration at 7.30pm.

Wednesday 20th: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.30am.

7.30pm Prayer Group in parish office.

Thursday 21st: 5pm Junior Youth Club. Folk practice at 7.00pm in church.

Legion of Mary at 7.30pm in the office.

Friday 22nd: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am in the church. Senior Youth Club at 7.00pm

Saturday 23rd: First Holy Communion children meet at 9.30am.

11.15am Syro-Malabar Malsyslam Mass

2nd collection -maintenance of St George's Cathedral

St. Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden. Tel. 020 8648 1846

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Amoris Laetitia – **The Joy of Love** – The Vatican has published Pope Francis' eagerly-awaited Apostolic Exhortation on the family, drawing together almost three years of consultations with Catholics in countries around the world. The lengthy document, entitled 'Amoris Laetitia', or The Joy of Love, affirms the Church's teaching that stable families are building blocks of a healthy society and a place where children learn to love, respect and interact with others.

At the same time the text warns against idealising the many challenges facing family life, urging Catholics to care for, rather than condemning, all those whose lives do not reflect the teaching of the Church. In particular the document focuses on the need for "personal and pastoral discernment" for individuals, recognising that "neither the Synod, nor this Exhortation could be expected to provide a new set of general rules, canonical in nature and applicable to all cases".

There will be copies of the Exhortation available in the Narthex in the coming weeks. Please get a copy. Later we shall have an evening seminar to explore some of the content.

A Parish Workshop – On the theme of Welcome & Integration will be held on Saturday 23rd April at the Kairos Centre, Roehampton. 9am – 1pm. It is time to explore the meaning of welcome and integration within the parish context. Who is included? Who is excluded? The recent exhortation from Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*, will inform part of the discussion. We ask for £30 contribution for the morning which includes lunch. See Fr John.

Goan Community – The Goan Chaplaincy will be celebrating the Monthly Konkani Mass at 3.00pm on **Sunday 17th April 2016 at SS Peter and Pauls Church, Mitcham CR4 4LD**. The Pilar Fathers and the Goan Chaplaincy will be very happy if you, your family and friends would join us for the Mass and thereafter for refreshments.

Parenting with Faith – A talk for parents and sponsors of Confirmation candidate. "Welcomed, Loved and Forgiven" with David Wells. Wednesday 4th May 2016 (7pm – 9pm) at St Teresa's Church.

Deceased – Please remember in your prayers **David Abberley** who died recently. His Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 21st April at **10.30am** at St Teresa's. May he rest in peace.

An Evening with Mary McAleese – ACTA Southwark are sponsoring an evening with Mary McAleese on Thursday 23rd June (7.00 to 9.00pm) at Westminster Cathedral Hall. Mary will be in conversation with Clifford Longley to explore the role of the laity in the church today. Mary was President of Ireland from 1997 to 2001. Contact actasouthwark@yahoo.com so that we can monitor numbers. A donation of £10 on the day will be welcome. The hall is behind the Cathedral. The front entrance is in Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P 1QH. Organised by ACTA (A Call To Action) Southwark

Annual Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage – If you are celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversary and would like to attend this special Mass at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 18th June at 3.00pm, please inform the parish office, so that you can receive an invitation from Archbishop Peter Smith.

Getting Married – The Catholic Church requires six months' notice. Please make an appointment to see Fr John in plenty of time if this applies to you, as there is much paper work to be completed.

Prayer for the Sick – Please remember in your prayers all those confined to home or hospital. Eileen Ward, Ann Van Essen, Valerie Keogh, John Payne, Winnie Mann, Anthony Kayode, Mariquinha De Sa, Jim Creighan, Meta O'Donnell, Winifred Rogers and Lira Fernandes.