St. Teresa's Morden

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28th AUGUST 2016

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 28th 22nd Sunday of the Year

6.30pm People of the Parish 9.00am Devendran Joseph R.I.P. 11.00am Chris Bohan R.I.P.

Monday 29th The Passion of St John The Baptist

Bank Holiday Monday

10.00am Holy Souls

Tuesday 30th St's Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward

10.00am Paddy & Mary Daly's Intention

Wednesday 31st

Please note NO 10.00am Mass today

1.00pm Funeral – Laurence Joseph Fallon R.I.P.

Thursday 1st August

10.00am Marcel Van Essen R.I.P.

Friday 2nd

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am 10 00am Martha Clune R I P

Saturday 3rd

Confessions 10.30 -11am & 6.00-6.15pm

Sunday 4th 23rd Sunday of the Year

6.30pm Maurice Mills R.I.P. 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am Larry Ryan R.I.P.

Parish Activities

Tuesday 30th:

Tuesday Club meet in the parish centre at 10.30am.

Prayer and Adoration at 7.30pm in the church.

Wednesday 31st:

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.30am in the church.

Thursday 1st:

Folk Group practice at 7.00pm in the church.

Legion of Mary meet at 7.30pm in the parish office.

Friday 2nd:

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am in the church.

St. Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden. Tel. 020 8648 1846
Headteacher: Mr. Justin Dachtler
Merton Catholic Deanery
www.mertoncatholics.org.uk
Community Development Manager – Rob Mobile 07429 454480

Thank you for the weekend collection £1072.59. Standing Orders £689.00. Total £1761.59.

Deceased – Please remember in your prayers - **Laurence Fallon**- His Requiem Mass will be on Wednesday 31st August at 1.00pm May he rest in peace.

50 Wedding Bells – Many congratulations to Mary & Tim Finnegan who celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary around this time. We wish them every blessing and many years of health and happiness.

St Philomena's High School – Open Mornings for Year 6 (For prospective Year 7 entrants September 2017). Monday 26 – Friday 30th September 2016, 9.00am – 10.45am.

Knights of St Columba Council 328 Worcester Park and Wimbledon – Have organised a sponsored walk in aid of St Raphael's Hospice, which takes place at Nonsuch Park, Cheam on 17th September at 2pm. If you can support this cause please contact Steve & Jean Lobo: leocorra@googlemail.com. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

St Teresa's Church – Celebrates its 80th birthday in 2017. Are there ideas for a way to celebrate the event? Take a pilgrimage to the Holy Land or Rome? Who wants to organise a party? How can we celebrate the huge diversity in our community? How can we grow in our understanding as a Christian Community? Will we succeed in continuing our Hall Extension project and build an interesting kitchen for the Parish Centre? Ideas please to the PPC at the Contact Corner or to Fr. John.

Moments of Transition – September is a new beginning for many people. Children will have new classes, new schools and new teachers. Young people will be starting secondary school, university or maybe a new job. Some people are leaving home for the first time. Some people are doing their driving test. For everyone it's a new challenge. Sometimes there are setbacks and disappointments because grades were not so good. Sometimes there are high expectations which generate high levels of stress and pressure. In all these transitions we need to make time to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. We will not hear if we do not listen. So in all the moments of indecisive panic and wonder, we should pray for the courage to stop and reflect. Jesus is present, walking beside us on the journey. Discernment is an extraordinary gift but sometimes it needs coaching, guidance and encouragement. We are not on our own. Family and friends are immediate point of reference and sometimes we overlook the value of their collective wisdom.

Adults- Who seek Baptism, 1st Communion, Confirmation or Reception into the Catholic Church – please note that there is a special group to help you prepare for these sacraments. The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) meet on Monday 5th September 7.30pm in the parish centre.

Thank You – We plan to have a special parish thank you supper for all our volunteers on Saturday 8th October in St Teresa's School Hall. We will need some indication of numbers attending so please sign the list in the Narthex. This applies to all readers, church cleaners, musicians, special ministers, catechists, counters, collectors, flower arrangers, choir, singers, welcomers, repository people, PPC, finance, CHEQ etc. It's a big network so it would be good to get the whole group together for a party. This is being organised by the PPC and if anyone else wants to help please see Fr John or a member of the PPC.

Prayer for the Sick – Please remember in your prayers all those confined to home or hospital. Paul Kirrane, Mina Gomes, Baheerathy Reshekaron, Sean Smith, Mary Stafford, Adrian Davey, Catherine Williams, John Payne, Ann Van Essen, Valerie Keogh, Winnie Mann, Mariquinha De Sa, Jim Creighan, Meta O'Donnell, Winifred Rogers and Lira Fernandes.