## St. Teresa's Morden

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## 11TH DECEMBER 2016

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday

Vigil 6.30pm Rosamma Pillai R.I.P. 9.00am Daisy Joseph R.I.P. 11.00am People of the Parish

Monday 12th

10.00am Socrates, Elditha Perlas & Euphrosyne Roldan R.I.P.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> St Lucy

10.00am Good Health of Gomes Family

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> St John of the Cross

10.00am Fr Malachy Clune

**Thursday 15th** 

10.00am Kathleen Cook R.I.P.

Friday 16<sup>th</sup>

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am.

10.00am Antonieta Joanita Gouveia R.I.P.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

Confessions 10.30 – 11am & 6.00 – 6.15pm

Sunday 18th 4th Sunday of Advent

Vigil 6.30pm Paddy & Mary Daly's Intention

9.00am Edith Mannion R.I.P.

11.00am People of the Parish

## **PARISH ACTIVIES**

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>: Refreshments in the parish centre after the 11.00am Mass.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>: Parent and Toddlers meet in the parish centre at 9.00am.

RCIA Journey meet at 7.30pm in the parish centre..

<u>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>:</u> Tuesday Club meet at 10.30am in the parish centre.

Prayer and Adoration 7.30pm in the Church.

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.30am

Prayer Group meet at 7.30pm. in the parish office.

Thursday 15th Junior Youth Club Folk Group will be Carol Singing in St Helier Hospital. Please meet in the foyer at 6.45pm to start at 7.00pm.

Legion of Mary at 7.30pm in office.

<u>Friday 16th:</u> The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am in the church. Senior Youth Club at 7.00pm.

Saturday 17<sup>th:</sup> Prayer Day – 12noon to 3.00pm.

St. Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden. Tel. 020 8648 1846
Headteacher: Mr. Justin Dachtler
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Thank you for the weekend collection £1169.58. Standing Orders £755.00. Total £1924.58.

Christmas Timetable – Please pick up a timetable this weekend for all the Christmas and New Year celebrations. Note that both Christmas Day and New Year's Day falls on a Sunday. Please also pass on a copy of the timetable to family, neighbours and friends who may want the information but not be able to get access to it.

**Christmas Celebrations -** Readers, lay ministers, collectors, and servers – please go to the sacristy and sign up for ONE celebration. Please pay attention to the exact dates and times.

**Christmas Offerings** - These are your personal gifts to Fr John Mulligan. Thank you for your support and generosity. Envelopes available in the Narthex.

**Holly** – Does anyone have any holly growing in their garden that we could use for the crib and church decorations? Please bring it in and leave in the narthex. Thank you.

**Christmas Dinner** – Please let us know if there is someone that is on their own and would like to be invited to our Christmas dinner celebration on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 1pm. Are there any drivers available on the day who may be able to help with transport? There is a list for drivers in the Narthex.

**Be Aware** – Coming up to the Christmas festivities – if someone lives near you and are on their own over Christmas and New Year – perhaps you could offer help with shopping or invite them for a meal?

**Penitential Service for Advent & Christmas** – On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm. There will be visiting priests available for Confession.

**Wedding Bells** – Congratulations to Samuel Porter and Rachael Long who celebrated their wedding this weekend at St Teresa's. We wish them every joy and blessing in their married life.

**Website** – Many thanks to Denys Hyde who maintains our parish website and keeps all the recent news and happenings up to date. Do please draw other people's attention to it as it will have all the times etc for relevant events over the festive season.

**Church Sound System** – The present equipment is now over 10 years old and sometimes problematic so we have to renew the amplifiers and installation this week at a cost of £9,000 approx. We <u>may</u> have to celebrate Mass in the hall on Tuesday and Wednesday. If anyone feels inclined to sponsor this item – we will be glad to hear from you!

**St Teresa's School** – Are holding a Christmas Market in the school hall at 3.20 -5pm on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. All are welcome.

New Altar Servers – Dates on Saturday mornings are: 17<sup>th</sup>, December 2016 and 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 all at 11.00am.

**Pray for the Sick** –Baheerathy Reshekaron, Beryl Seaforth, Freddie Mensah, Stephan Quilty, Eva Christian, Idan Vijay, Catherine Williams, John Payne, Ann Van Essen, Valerie Keogh, Jim Creighan, Winifred Rogers and Lira Fernandes.