
St. Teresa's Morden

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3RD DECEMBER 2017

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 3rd First Sunday of Advent (B)

Vigil 6.30pm Ellen & Joseph

Cormack R.I.P.

9.00am People of the Parish

11.00am Lawrence Fallon R.I.P.

Monday 4th

10.00am Santu and Mariquinha De Sa

R.I.P.

Tuesday 5th

10.00am Ellen Cormack R.I.P.

Wednesday 6th

10.00am Farnoush Chehraz Intention

Thursday 7th St Ambrose

10.00am David Lynch R.I.P.

Friday 8th The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am

10.00am Molly McKeon & Winifred

Madigan R.I.P.

Saturday 9th

Confessions 10.30 -11am & 6.00 – 6.15pm

Sunday 10th 2nd Sunday of Advent

Vigil 6.30pm People of the Parish

9.00am Rosamma Pillai R.I.P.

25th Anniversary

11.00am Thanksgiving

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Sunday 3rd: Refreshments in the parish centre after the 11.00am Mass.

Monday 4th: Parents and Toddlers at 9.30am in the parish centre.

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

Tuesday 5th: Tuesday Club meet at 12noon for 12.30pm for their Christmas lunch.

Prayer and Adoration at 7.30pm in the church.

Wednesday 6th: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.30am.

Prayer Group meet in the parish office at 5.00pm.

Thursday 7th: Junior Youth Club 5.00pm.

Folk Group practice at 7.00pm.

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

Friday 8th: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am.

Thank you for the weekend collection £1088.48. Standing Orders £755.00. Total £1843.48.

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

Headteacher: Mr Justin Dachtler.

Merton Catholic Deanery

www.mertoncatholics.org.uk

Community Development Manager – Rob Mobile 07429 454480

2nd Collection – Catholic Youth Work £322.83. Thank you.

Pastoral Letter – This weekend we have a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop. There are copies available at the Contact Corner.

Advent – Today we begin the season of Advent – four weeks of preparation for the birth of Jesus. On the sanctuary we see the Advent Wreath – one of the greatest symbols of the season. The 4 purple candles symbolise our Advent journey. The 1st candle represents the prophets of the Old Testament who foretold the coming of Christ. The 2nd is for John the Baptist, the central figure of Advent. The 3rd is for us, the people of God, the recipients of the Good News. The 4th is for Mary, the Mother of the Redeemer. The central white candle represents Jesus himself the source and summit of our journey.

Catholic Schools – The government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents new Catholic schools from allowing Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-turn on their promises to Catholics. Visit <http://catholics.org.uk/> or search for Catholic Education to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

Last Week – Fr Ray Skinner talked to us about establishing some form of outreach and contact with our Sunni Muslim neighbours in Morden. If you can help to run a Meeting for Better Understanding, please email Fr Ray at skinhicks@tiscali.co.uk.

A Cool Weekend – we had no heating in the church on the 18/19 November and those responsible for the hiccup – SGN – have sent a note of apology: On behalf of SGN and Forefront, please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused to yourself and the congregation of St Teresa of The Child Jesus, while our essential gas works were being carried out. Forefront would like to offer £30 as a goodwill gesture to donate toward St Teresa's of The Child Jesus. Once again please accept our apologies for the inconvenience. Kind Regards: Connor Greenslade.

Penitential Service for Advent & Christmas – Monday 18th December, 7.30pm at St Teresa's, there will be visiting priests available for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Legion of Mary – Annual General Reunion, Legion of Mary on Sunday 3rd December at 2.30 for 3.00pm in the parish centre. All those Active and Auxiliaries are invited for the Event, Prayers and Celebration

Baptism – We welcome Charlie Patrick Cusack baptised this weekend into the Christian community, his parents and family.

St Teresa's Christmas Lunch for Elderly Parishioners – We have a Christmas lunch and celebration Thursday 14th December 12.30 – 1.00pm. If you know of anyone who should be invited, please contact the parish office.

New Altar Servers – Training continues for new Altar Servers on Saturday 2nd December, Saturday 9th December and Saturday 16th December all at 11.00am.

Pray for the Sick – Bethany Mary Potter, Beverley Coughlan, Marc Tannion, Jim Cunningham, Jacinto Victor Mendoza, Declan O'Flynn, Ann Van Essen, Valerie Keogh and Jim Creighan,