## St. Teresa's Morden

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## **17TH DECEMBER 2017**

Mass Times and Intentions Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday

Vigil 6.30pm Augusto Cardoso R.I.P. 9.00am Bill Hanrahan R.I.P. 11.00am People of the Parish

Monday 18th

10.00am Christopher Patrick Murphy R.I.P.

Tuesday 19th

10.00am Kathleen Cook R.I.P.

Wednesday 20th

10.00am Gaberiel Shelly R.I.P.

Thursday 21st

10.00am Lindsay Whaley R.I.P.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Benediction & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am

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10.00am James & Primrose Gunaratnam Anniversary

Sunday 24th 4th Sunday of Advent

Vigil 6.30pm People of the Parish 9.00am Nora, John & Michael Conroy R.I.P

11.00am Annie Canning R.I.P.

Vigil Mass of Christmas Eve 6.30pm Maurice Mills R.I.P.

11.15pm Carol Service

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> 12 Midnight Mass.** People of the Parish - Living and

Dead.

9.00am Joseph McBride R.I.P.

**11.00am** Hugh & Kathleen Doherty R.I.P.

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Monday 18th: Parents & Toddlers meet at 9.00am

<u>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>:</u> Tuesday Club meet at 10.30am in the parish centre.

Prayer and Adoration at 7.30pm in

church.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>: Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour at 9.30am.

Prayer Group 7.30pm in the parish office.

<u>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>:</u> Folk Group practice at 7.00pm.

<u>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>:</u> The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am.

Thank you for the weekend collection £989.17 Standing Orders £755.00. Total £1744.17.

St. Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden. Tel. 020 8648 1846
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**Christmas Timetable** – Please take a copy of the Christmas timetable so that you know the times of all the Christmas services. It's available in the Contact Corner.

**Monday 1**<sup>st</sup> **January 2018** - We have a community Mass and shared lunch at 12noon that day. If anyone would like to help please inform the parish office or sign your name and phone number on the list in the Narthex. Many thanks.

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

**RCIA** - Congratulations to Miao Li, Tamami Tsujimvra, Yaw Boasiako, Ama Baiden, Chris Bouchez and Roselda Drummond who celebrated the Rite of Welcome and Acceptance last Sunday. This is their first official step towards the Easter sacraments of initiation.

Christmas Awareness – Please be aware of people on their own over Christmas and New Year. Is there anyone who could take a Christmas lunch to someone who may not otherwise get one. Please see Fr John.

**Thanks** – To Matthew and Angela who provided an excellent Christmas lunch last Thursday for some of our senior citizens. Thanks too to all those who helped to make the day special.

**Gratitude** – To Tom Malone who assembled the Crib this year, Paul and Lucy Carter for the Christmas Tree and members of the Philipino community for decorating the church and parish centre.

**Readers, Servers, Lay Ministers, Ushers and Collectors** – Please note that there are a number of services over December 23, 24 and 25. Please do ensure that you help out in whatever way you can.

**Lay Ministers and Readers** – Christmas lists are available in the Sacristy, please leave your name and telephone number if you wish to participate. Thank you.

**Christmas Offerings** – Are your personal gifts to Fr John Mulligan. Please be as generous as your means allow. Envelopes available in the narthex. Thank you.

**St Teresa's Christmas Cards** – A souvenir copy of our 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in October, cards available from the repository £1 each. Proceeds to the Hall project.

**Crib Offering** – This year we supporting the Catholic Children's Society's Crisis Fund, which they launched in our Archdiocese. Every penny raised through the crib offering will be given out through these emergency grants to local children and families who are in dire need. Archbishop Peter Smith.

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