## St. Teresa's Morden

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## **SUNDAY 12TH AUGUST 2018**

at

Sunday 12th 19th Sunday of the Year

Vigil 6.30pm Rose Bekono's Intention 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am Ann Dabowski R.I.P.

Monday 13th

10.00am Mary, Charles and Peter Doherty R.I.P.

Tuesday 14th St Maximilian Mary Kolbe

10,00am Agnelo Gomes & Family Special Intentions

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Holyday of Obligation

10.00am Welfare of Eileen Duggan 7.00pm John Sinnathamby R.I.P. & Carmila Mary Alosiya R.I.P.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>

10.00am Charles Burke R.I.P.

Friday 17th Benediction & Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at 9.15am

in

10.00am Marcel Van Essen R.I.P.

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Saturday 18th

Confessions 10.30 – 11am & 6.00 – 6.15pm

Sunday 19th 20th Sunday of the Year

**Vigil** 6.30pm Mrs Monica Eze R.I.P. 9.00am People of the Parish

Tuesday 14th:

Tuesday Club meet for lunch

**12noon** in the parish centre.

Prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 7.30pm in the church

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>:

9.30am Novena to Our Lady Perpetual Succour.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>:

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

Friday 17<sup>th</sup>:

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

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Catholic Papers & Booklets

A section of papers and booklets are available in the Narthex.

Exam Results – Please keep

your prayers the young people receiving exam results over

next couple of weeks.

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## Last Weekends Offertory £1035.83. Standing Orders £710.00. Total £1745.83. Thank you.

19th SUNDAY REFLECTION — We always think of this Bread of Life discourse as centred on the Eucharist, but the first part of it is centred on the bread of life as the revelation of God. In a similar way, the Liturgy of the Word which proclaims the revelation of God through Scripture is the first part of the Mass. In this discourse Jesus is following the pattern of Jewish sermons with a detailed commentary upon the text from Exodus: 'Bread from heaven he gave them to eat'. Then half-way through the sermon comes a quotation from the prophets, a sort of half-time booster quote. This quotation from Isaiah appears in today's gospel reading: 'They will all be taught by God'. The Lord will sow in our hearts individually the knowledge of himself, so that each of us has a personal bond with God which is cultivated by prayer. If we listen to the Father and learn from him, we come to Jesus, who has seen the Father. So in this reading the emphasis is on listening, seeing, believing the revelation of the Father. Faith is no abstract set of truths but a personal knowing, just as we know those we love on earth. Only at the end of today's reading do we move on to the topic of eating the Bread of Life. Question for everyone: How and where do you listen to what God has to say to you? Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

**Thank You** – To all our musicians, singers, choirs and their families who are now (mostly) away on holiday. We wish everyone a happy and relaxing time. Gratitude to all our music people for sharing so much time, talent and creative energy with us here at St Teresa's. Know that your ministry is deeply appreciated.

**Thank You** – To our noble team of counters who give significant time to counting the collection each week, and our heroic team of collectors at all the Sunday Masses. We do need a few more people to help with this so if you can help please see Fr John.

**Thank You** – To our IT team who ensure we have the readings projected each week. This is time consuming but most helpful especially for those who cannot read the small print in the newsletter so easily. The IT team is always open to new ideas and new people to join their group so that we can share this very important ministry of communication.

**A Day Of Adoration** – Could we please have volunteers to attend a day of quiet prayer on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September, the day the Congress begins. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day following the 10am Mass until 9pm to coincide with the Congress taking place in Liverpool. There is a list in the Narthex if you can please volunteer for 1 or 2 hours. Many thanks.

**Sister Mary Teresa** – Please keep in your prayers Sister Mary Teresa who has died recently. Sister taught at St Teresa's School for many years. May she rest in peace.

**International Evening** – On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October, First prize is a £1000, second prize and third prize £250 shopping vouchers. This is a fundraising event for the development of the Parish Centre. We also hope to welcome the new Mayor of Merton, Cllr Mary Curtin to the celebration. All communities are invited to arrange a food stall and champion their own distinctive culture.

**Holiday Time** – The summer is here – and many people will be going on holiday. Would readers and lay ministers especially please ensure that you arrange a substitute for your ministry while you are away. The liturgy continues every day and every week – even if you are away! If you are unable to arrange a substitute please do inform the parish office so at least we know where the gaps are likely to emerge. Thank you.

**Please** Pray for the Sick – Cynthia Christian, Stephen Quilty, Bruce Cawood, Anita Cabanlit, Sheila Downey, John O'Neil, Lena McBride, Anthony Mills, Sheila Dunn, Tony Kelly, Ann Van Essen, Teresa Bearne and Jim Creighan.