# St. Teresa's Morden

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### 3rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) 2020.

Mass Times and Intentions
Sunday 26th 3rd Sunday of the Year

Vigil 6.30pm – Iolanda Borrelli R.I.P. 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am Martin Davey R.I.P.

## Monday 27th

10.00am Valerie Somerset's Intention

#### Tuesday 28th St Thomas Aquinas

10.00am Ann Van Essen's Intention

### Wednesday 29th

10.00am Intentions of the Obikwelu family and children

#### Thursday 30th

10.00am John Coffey R.I.P.

#### Friday 31st St John Bosco

10.00am Carmela D' Emanuele R.I.P. Despina D' Emanuele R.I.P.

#### Saturday 1st February

Confessions 10.30 - 11am & 6.00 - 6.15pm

# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – The Presentation of the Lord

Vigil 6.30pm Joseph McBride R.I.P. 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am Virginia Okpala R.I.P.

## Sunday 26th:

Holy Hour and Adoration from 5.00 – 6pm led by the Philippino Community.

Refreshments in the parish centre after the 11.00am Mass

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January: Parents and Toddlers meet in the parish centre at 9.00am.

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

<u>Tuesday 28th</u>: Tuesday Club meet in the parish centre at 10.30am.

Confirmation programme: 7.30p.m. – 9p.m.

<u>Wednesday 29th:</u> 9.30am Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour.

Parish Pastoral Council meet at 7p.m.

<u>Thursday 30th:</u> Folk Group practice at 7.30pm in the Church.

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

Friday 31st: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9.30am.

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> February: 9.30am First Holy Communion preparation. Children meet in the church and parents in the parish centre.

St Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden.
Tel No 020 8648 1846
Headteacher; Mr Justin Dachtler.
Merton Catholic Deanery
www.mertoncatholics.org.uk

Last weekend's Offertory £1,239.47 – Standing Orders £714.00 – Total £1953.47. Thank you.

Our Lady Of Walsingham – In March 2020 Cardinal Vincent Nichols will re-dedicate the country to Our Lady of Walsingham at Westminster Cathedral. In preparation for this, the National Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham has been visiting all the Catholic Cathedrals of England over the last two years. Many parishes are preparing for this great event which will be celebrated throughout the Country on March 29<sup>th</sup> 2020. We at St Teresa's are preparing for this event by circulating the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham to as many homes as requested.

There is a list in the Narthex for you to sign if you would like to invite Our Lady to your home for one week. (In1897 Pope Leo XIII prophesied that when England comes back to Walsingham, Our Lady will come back to England).

**Baptism** – We welcome Orla Mary Cole into God's family this week. We pray for her, her family and God-Parents.

**Confirmation 2020** – The first session of this year's programme, for those who have enrolled, is on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Examination Invigilators Required – The Governors at St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls, in Carshalton, are looking to expand and add to their pool of Examination Invigilators to work on an ad-hoc basis, as required by the school. Examination Invigilators invigilate public examinations at the school, with the majority of hours worked undertaken mid-May-June 2020. Further details and application forms are available by emailing recruitment@stphils.org.uk or by contacting the HR Officer on 020 8642 2025. Alternatively, they can be downloaded from the school website: http://www.stphils.org.uk/join-us/vacancies

**My Day by Day Booklets** – January and February's editions are available in the bookstand in the Narthex priced 70p.

Recently Canon Tom McHugh spoke at all Masses about a booklet called "Finding God in a Leaf." This is a month of reflections inspired by 'Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si". You can purchase a copy by emailing www.messenger.ie

New Parishioners to St Teresa's – Do please come and introduce yourself and complete a census form for the parish records. These are available at the Contact Corner in the narthex.

**Medjugorge Pilgrimage** – From  $3^{rd}$  –  $10^{th}$  May 2020. Flying from Gatwick to Split. For further details, please contact Con on 07956 134633 or Mary on 07854 539691.

**St Helier Hospital** – Please remember if you or a member of your family is taken to hospital to ask the ward staff to inform the Roman Catholic Chaplain, Fr Philip Pak. If Fr Philip knows you are in the hospital he will ensure you receive a visit and Holy Communion if required.

We pray for the Sick and Housebound – Baby Alexander Lynch, Joseph Lunn, Jim Edmunds, Erika Geddes, Barry Falcon, Denise Waaldjk, Lorraine Miller and Valerie Somerset.

Adoration frees us from modern idols – By praying in adoration, Pope Francis explains "We allow Jesus to heal and change us... to transform us by His love, to kindle light amid our darkness, to grant us strength in weakness, and courage amid trials." Worshipping God, he said, frees us from slavery to the idols of today, which must not be worshipped, such as "the god of money, the god of consumerism, the god of pleasure, the god of success, the god of self." The pope said "worship means bending low before the Most High, and discovering in His presence that life's greatness consists not in having, but in loving."