

# St. Teresa's Morden

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## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) 2020.

### Mass Times and Intentions

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year**

**Vigil** 6.30pm Barry Gaynor R.I.P.

9.00am David O'Connor R.I.P.

11.00am People of the Parish

### **Monday 24<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Carmelo & Despina D'Emanuele  
R.I.P.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>** 10.00am David O'Connor R.I.P.

### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday**

10.00am For your intentions – followed by  
Stations of the Cross.

3 - 4pm Ashes for those who cannot attend a  
Mass

7.30pm Mass for your intentions

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Kevin McKeon's Intention  
followed by Stations of the Cross

### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Gabriel Hettiarachchi R.I.P.  
followed by the Stations of the Cross.

6.30p.m. Stations of the Cross

7.30p.m. Mass for your intentions

### **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>**

Confessions 10.30 -11am & 6.00 – 6.15pm

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March First Sunday of Lent**

**Vigil** 6.30pm People of the Parish

9.00am Godofredo Servillan (Jr) R.I.P.

11.00am Anthony & Veronica  
Bartholomew R.I.P.

### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>:

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

Refreshments in the parish centre after the  
11.00am Mass

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>: Parent and Toddlers meet in the  
Parish centre at 9.00am

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

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>: Tuesday Club meet in the parish  
centre at 10.30am.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>: 9.30am Novena to Our Lady  
of Perpetual Succour.

### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>:

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

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>: The Chaplet of Divine Mercy at  
9.30am.

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>: 9.30 am First Holy Communion  
children meet in the Church and parents in the  
Parish Centre.

Confirmation candidates meet 4pm – 6pm in the  
Church, The group will lead 6.30pm Mass.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March: **2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for poor  
parishes.**

St Teresa's School, Montacute Road, Morden.

Tel No 020 8648 1846

Headteacher; Mr Justin Dachtler.

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**Last weekend's Offertory £857.11. – Standing Orders £687.00 – Total £1544.11. Thank you.**

**WE NEED LENT.** Much as we hate to admit it, our progress in the spiritual life never permits us to get beyond our mortality – which is another way of saying we remain sinners in need of grace and salvation. Even as we advance in habits of prayer, moral behaviour, service, and the practice of compassion, we are still hampered by the spirit of temptation. The face it wears may change, but the voice that calls us to disregard God's will for ours remains surprisingly recognisable. Centuries may come and go, but the devil Jesus encountered in the desert is the same rascal who haunts our world today.

In the wisdom of the Church we spend 40 days each year preparing to square off with the opponent of our souls once more. The enemy is us, as the saying goes. We are the ones that rebel against God's law in favour of the greedy self. Our Lord Jesus has already vanquished this enemy for all eternity. We need only keep it at bay for another season.

As a parish, let us be united in prayer on our journey to Holy Week. Blessings to your intentions for Lent. Join us at Mass, join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, join us in the Stations of the Cross, find time to heal your soul from sin, find time for the Rosary, and find time to reach out to the poor and needy. Each Friday in Lent we shall celebrate an extra Mass at 7.30p.m. 'FOR YOUR INTENTIONS'. Stations of the Cross will take place prior to this at 6.30pm led by different groups in the parish i.e. RCIA and the Confirmation Candidates. We look forward to you joining us!

**RCIA** - Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion at St Georges Cathedral on Saturday 29th February. We keep in our prayers St Teresa's candidates and catechumens:

Michelle Forde, Grace Temilade, Gina Visram, Izoinbe, Eguruze, William Mulholland, Florence Richardson, Shobanaa Sitsabesan and Paatheeph Sitsabesan.

**Congratulations** – To Laura Quinn and Stuart Willis who are to be married at St Teresa's on Saturday 29th February. We wish them every happiness in their life together.

**The Year of the Word** – St. Teresa's is holding an eight week Bible Course as part of our celebration of The Year of the Word. The second session will take place on Wednesday 4th March at 11.15a.m. and this will be repeated on Wednesday 11th March at 7.15p.m. A full list of dates and times is available in the porch. The Bible Course is a series of informal DVD's to encourage discussion and deepen our understanding of The Word. Please join us as we journey in faith.

**Faith in Youth Action Launch Event – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.** Faith in Youth Action is a new group for young people in Year10 and above. You will meet monthly and get involved in local projects in the community and parish; leading to a Faith in Action Award. If you are interested in finding out more, we will meet at 7p.m. in the parish centre on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

**Exposition Of The Blessed Sacrament** – Thanks to all who support the work of Adoration at St Teresa's. If you wish to join the rota please let us know.

**Deceased** – We keep in our prayers Alberto Cabillos who died recently. May he rest in peace.

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

**Toilet Block** – We are blessed at St Teresa's to have a dedicated team of cleaners who ensure the Church, hall and toilet block are cleaned weekly. Unfortunately, in recent times, the toilets have been found in an unacceptable condition. Please could you ensure that hand dryers are used and not toilet paper and that sanitary bins are used for sanitary products only. By doing this, we respect not only our environment and each other but reduce the waste of resources as far as possible. Many thanks.