



St. Teresa's Morden

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Holy Week (A) 2020

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 5th April PASSION / PALM SUNDAY

Vigil 6.30pm Intentions of Bonny

Obikwelu and family

9.00am SooSaipillai, Vitman, Jeniste

Anthoni Pillai Mariarahini R.I.P

11.00am People of the Parish

Monday 6th April

10.00am Carmelo and Despina

D'Emanuele R.I.P.

Tuesday 7th April

10.00am Margaret McDonnell R.I.P.

Wednesday 8th April

10.00am With thanks to Our Lady

Thursday 9th April – MAUNDY THURSDAY

10.00am Margaret Moran R.I.P.

6p.m. MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Friday 10th April – GOOD FRIDAY

3p.m. - LITURGY OF THE PASSION

Saturday 11th April – EASTER SATURDAY

6.30p.m – EASTER VIGIL

Sunday 12th April – EASTER SUNDAY

9 a.m. – John, Anne and Ray Russell R.I.P

11a.m. – Thanksgiving Mendes and Gomes families

Additional Holy Week Services

Lenten Spiritual Reflection; Adoration, Meditation and Devotions. 5p.m. to 6.30p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

HOLY THURSDAY – ADORATION 10a.m.-12.00

7.30p.m. – 9p.m. WATCHING WITH JESUS

GOOD FRIDAY -10a.m. MORNING PRAYER and MEDITATION

7p.m. MEDITATION and PRAYER – NOVENA TO DIVINE MERCY

EASTER SATURDAY – 10a.m. MORNING PRAYER – NOVENA TO DIVINE MERCY

EASTER SUNDAY – 5p.m. HOLY HOUR, ADORATION and BENEDICTION. NOVENA TO DIVINE MERCY

Pope Francis

Prayer for protection from Coronavirus

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



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'PEACE BE WITH YOU'

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am thinking about you and praying for you daily, as I know you are reaching out to one another. These are difficult days for us all. I hope you are coping, especially if you live alone, are housebound or are self-isolating. It is very easy to feel lonely, perhaps even forgotten. Well, you are not forgotten! Not at all. In fact, God is drawing us closer to one another. Many, many are stepping forward to offer help and support at a local level and all over the country thousands are coming forward to help the NHS. It is good to know that members of our parish family have signed up to help – **THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

To our parishioners working in our hospitals – know you are fully supported in our prayers and daily Masses. In our parish family many others are on the front line serving our nation in a time of great need – again, **THANKYOU!**

Our Parish Lenten Retreat has been well received with many joining us on the Internet. We need to enter the World of Prayer and our daily Mass, Adoration and Devotions with Spiritual Reflections is helping us to do just that. Each day I am also able to keep you in touch with the latest parish news.

Pope Francis is also on the frontline doing his best to support us by his leadership; his beautiful prayers are helping millions around the world. Now, he has offered us all another gift. In these extraordinary days, under his spiritual leadership, the Church is granting a [PLENARY INDULGENCE](#) to those who are sick due to COVID-19, to those who care for them and to those who pray for them. To receive this support, the following practices can be undertaken for the reception of the indulgence:

If you are sick with the Corona Virus, or quarantined in hospital, in a nursing home or at home, as many are, if you have been encouraged to self-isolate or stay at home, please do so. You can join Mass through the electronic media, ([like in our parish](#)), or you can pray the ROSARY, or do an act of piety like the WAY OF THE CROSS, - or especially if you are in a weakened state, simply recite the CREED, pray an Our Father or a prayer to Our Blessed Mother. Do this in complete detachment from sin and offer your trial – your suffering- To God as an act of charity towards others.

This [Plenary Indulgence](#) is also offered under the same conditions to our Doctors, Nurses, all Healthcare Workers and family members who are at risk to contagion to themselves and draw near to the sick to care for them. It is offered as well, and still under the same conditions to you and any of the faithful who pray fervently for an end to the pandemic, for relief for those who suffer and for the eternal repose of those who have died.

Join in [on-line](#) with prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, spend time in Eucharistic Adoration, read the Bible for at least half an hour, recite the Rosary, make the Way of the Cross, or pray the Chapter of Divine Mercy. God is rich in mercy; infinitely rich. This time is a powerful incentive to enter the world of prayer. So many blessings await us. For those at the point of death because of this virus and unable to receive the final sacraments, Holy Mother Church is pledging fervent prayer for them, even if their faith and prayer life has been weak during their lifetime.

GOD is LOVE, GOD is MERCIFUL – We can put ALL OUR TRUST IN HIM. We can all open the door to His mercy. We can bring our loved ones, our friends, the lost, the fallen, through that door; it leads to Heaven, it leads to Paradise, it leads to Eternal Life.

BE NOT AFRAID. PRAY, HOPE and DO NOT WORRY.

OUR SICK and HOUSEBOUND – We have twelve parishioners who are sick and housebound – we bless each of them and keep them in our prayer. We are also aware that some of our

parishioners must self-isolate as they have contracted COVID-19, Corona Virus. You are in our prayers and we wish you a speedy recovery. We also have parishioners young and old who must self-isolate for three months. Be assured you are wrapped in our prayers and if you need a chat or a blessing over the 'phone I am more than willing to support you. Can we remind everyone that we are on WhatsApp, if you wish to join.

We ask Our Lady and St. Teresa to intercede for all the Sick and Housebound, for all who find themselves in hospital, for those coping with the Corona Virus, and other health issues. May our prayers and those of the parish family, see them on the road to recovery. We keep in our prayers Jean Lue, Ms Ruba Santiapillai, Baby Alexander Lynch, Joseph Lunn, Erika Geddes, Barry Falcon, Denise Waaldjk, Lena McBride and Valerie Somerset. We keep those who care for them and all key workers in prayer, with our gratitude.

GRACIOUS and LOVING FATHER hear our prayers for all our doctors, nurses and all on the frontline fighting this Corona Virus. Strengthen them in body and soul, watch over them as they minister to all who are fighting this virus, that takes the lives of young and old. We ask you to bless our hospital chaplains and also ask your blessing and protection for all who in our Nursing and Senior Citizens Homes – AMEN.

FUNERALS: PLEASE NOTE – On the day of parishioner's funerals over these weeks to come, we shall CELEBRATE A REQUIEM MASS for them on the day of their funeral. Most days that Holy Mass will be at 10a.m. But when the funeral is timed for 11a.m. – The Holy Mass will be at 9.30a.m. Announcements will be made regularly to keep you informed and these Holy Masses will be shown on the parish website, so that the family can join in and the Parish Family can join in prayer and spiritual support.

Almighty God has called into Eternal Life the soul of ELLIE DRUDY. She is reunited with her beloved husband Walter. We offer her two Grandsons and all family members assurance of our prayers at this time. Ellie did receive spiritual support from the parish on a regular basis. Shortly before her death, she was anointed and blessed by Canon Michael. Her funeral will take place at London Road Cemetery on 15th April at 11a.m. *May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

The Parish commends the Soul of MARGARET McMARTHY to God's loving embrace. We offer her family our blessing and spiritual support. We also remember her neighbours in Central Road. We thank God for her witness to the Catholic faith and for her love of the Rosary. Margaret will be laid to rest on Monday 20th April at 2.40p.m. *May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

ANTONIO PERETTI - Son of Italy, was called to Eternal Life in his 91st year. He is survived by his loving wife Maria and his three daughters Roberta, Anna and Rita. We offer our prayers and spiritual support to all the family, friends and neighbours. Antonio will be laid to rest on 22nd April at Merton Cemetery. *May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

We continue to pray for the happy repose of the soul of PADDY JOYCE. We offer our blessing to his beloved wife and his loving children and we bless the family that he was born into. Paddy will be laid to rest on Tuesday 23rd April at 11a.m. *May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

MARIE BERRY – Daughter of Malta Aged 84. One of four, Marie's brother lives in Italy. Her daughter Doris became her fulltime carer supported by her husband Sean. Marie's funeral will take place at Lambeth Cemetery on 1st May at 11 a.m. *May Marie Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

We also keep in our prayers each day and at all our Masses, times of Adoration and Devotions, the souls of TERESA BEARNE, PHIL O'SULLIVAN, DANIELLE SMITH and commend to God's love and mercy all who have been called to eternal life, especially those who have died of the Corona Virus.

Last weekend's Offertory – £364.06 received with thanks through Paypal and direct bank transfer. Standing Orders £729.00. Total – £1.093.06 All Easter offerings next weekend will be your gift to Canon Michael.

We will be happy to receive any offerings directly by on-line banking or by standing order, which can be arranged through your bank, on-line or by using the [DONATE](#) link on the parish website. With thanks for your continued support.



Wishing you all a most Blessed Holy Week