

### St. Teresa's Morden

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Please see the Mass Attendance Protocols below

Confessions after all Masses

#### Mass Times and Intentions-Year C:



5.30pm Vigil – Sarah & Josh Beard's Intentions

Minerva Callet's Intentions

7.00am Adoration

9am David Goldband RIP

Bonny Obikwelu

11am People of the Parish

#### Monday 24th October - Votive of Padre Pio

7am Adoration 9.15am Rosary

10am Stanley & Seena Wedding Anniversary

11.20am Funeral June O'Byrne RIP, NE Surrey Crematorium

#### Tuesday 25th October – Votive Our Lady of Palestine

7am Adoration 9.15am Rosary

10am Knights and Dames of the Holy Sepulchre

12.30pm Funeral Mass - Mary Jurkiewicz

#### Wednesday 26th October - Votive of St Joseph

7am Adoration

9.00am Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour

10am Bill & Kath Kelly RIP

#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October – Votive of the Holy Souls

7am Adoration 9.15am Rosary

10am Danny Thompson RIP

# WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

#### Friday 28th October

7am Adoration

9am Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary

10am Joseph , Antony & Paul Sinnathmby RIP

#### Saturday 29th October – The Blessed Virgin Mary

7am Adoration

5.30pm Clara Goodluck's Intentions

#### Sunday 30th October - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.00am Adoration

9am Annie Fernandes' Intentions

11am People of the Parish



#### Our Masses are available online at

https://www.stcm.org.uk/

#### All Services are streamed on YouTube

OFFICE OPENING HOURS: MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY 8.30am TO 1pm (Closed - Wednesday)

#### PARISH SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Dear friends we send each of you assurance of spiritual support. I have visited many of you recently and anointed you and blessed your home.

From our Altar and the prayers of our Masses

May the Compassion of Christ enfold you

The peace of Christ engulf you

The grace of Christ sustain you

The Spirit of Christ renew you

The power of Christ make you whole.

May the Mother of our Parish family watch over you and bless those who care for you.

Amen.

#### Please hear our prayer for:



Anne-Marie Mendonça, Moira Macklin, Maureen Smith, Maureen Flaherty,
John McDonagh, James Diver, Francesco Gargano, Theresa McGoldrick, Patricia Jayasena,
Jean Lue, Ruba Santipillai, Baby Alexander Lynch, Erika Geddes, Denise Waaldjk, Valerie Somerset,
Leonard James Connolly, Thea Haddad, Margaret Lahy, Brian Wratten, Ann Van Essen and Jane
Turner, Kevin Mooney, John Mooney, Angela Patcheye, Leonard Paice, Ken and Margaret
Peacock, Michael and Madge Durkan, Jocyln De Silva, Mary Jeanette Connaire, Mary Reilly, Alan
O'Leary, Bill and June O'Keefe, Gerry Gillan, Bella Harding, Eileen Stevens, Dave Herris, Gabriel
Lyons, Sylvester Forya, Antonina Urbni, Tony London, Kevin McKeon, Vincent Moyle, John Antao,
Stella Carrasco, Gerald Pereira, Jason Sigalas, Reme Mills, Emilia Koharic, Vince & Edna Horwood,
Baby Morse Dannatt, Pope Francis and Pope Benedict, Pope Emeritus.

If you wish to be prayed for on our Parish Sick List, please let us have your name.

Every First Friday we offer and remember you in Holy Mass. We also keep you in our daily prayer, our times of Adoration, Novena's and the Holy Rosary.

Dear Parishioners, please continue to remember the Sick Clergy of the diocese and send out your blessing in prayer to all the Nations of the World, as they do their best to combat the pandemic and natural disasters that many nations are battling with at this time. THANK YOU!

#### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND RISE IN GLORY

Remember, Lord, those who have died and have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially those for whom we now pray;



Avril Jean Costella RIP Francis Assisi Mendonça RIP

Shirley Johnson RIP Joseph Antony Quintus Rabindran RIP

Dermot Peter Long RIP Lourdes Mary Fatima Jayandradevi Rabindran RIP

Remo Dipre RIP Irene Ward RIP
Alan Frederick Burridge RIP Remo Corsini RIP

Sarah Marie Frost RIP Jonny Purvis RIP
Veronica Gorrod RIP Ann Donaldson RIP

Finbarr Francis Hurley RIP Baby Angelika Hobbs RIP

Lolito Laydia RIP Annie Francis RIP
Michael O'Kelly RIP Giovanni Mansini RIP
Newton Coutinho RIP Joseph Lunn RIP

Anna Darby RIP Norah Mary Williams RIP
Mary Creighan RIP Francisco José Carrasco RIP

Michael Joseph Nihill RIP
Gerald O'Toole RIP
Sarah Hedy Connolly RIP
Sotelo Cabrera RIP
Noel Ryan, RIP
Michael Scott RIP
Anna-Maria Fantocchi RIP

Eva Sereny RIP
Steven Duggan RIP
Lena McBride RIP
Mary Whelan RIP
Mary Connolly RIP
Kevin Mattimoe RIP
Michael Bourke RIP

Giovanni Corsini RIP Dorothy Gertrude Cleary RIP

Gerry Kirrane RIP Frances Healion RIP
Gay Phillips RIP Douglas Banks RIP
Tony Byrnes RIP Robert Peter RIP
Jane Neyman RIP Dennis Leadley RIP
Christopher O'Byrne RIP Daniel Samuels RIP
Jose Goncalves RIP Michael McAndrew RIP

Sheila Borg RIP Shanti Annette Thesailankaimannan RIP

Theresa Mason RIP
Elaine Goldson-Rhule RIP
Anne Dunne RIP
Teresa Gomes RIP
Patricia Perryman RIP
Antonio Costa RIP
John Richmond-D'Monte RIP
Anna Maria Roid RIP
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Lizzie Corcoran RIP
Albertas Ambotas RIP
Peter Newbold RIP
Jeffrey Myles RIP

Anna Maria Reid RIP June Rose O'Bryne RIP
Mary Jurkiewisz RIP Pat McManus RIP

#### Recent Southwark Diocese Clergy Deaths

Deacon William Boyd RIP

Deacon Jim Hayes RIP

Fr. Richard Diala RIP

Fr. Michael Boland RIP

Fr. Paul Sanders RIP

Fr. Robert Copsey SOLT RIP

Canon Richard Hearn RIP

Deacon Vincent Bowgett RIP

Fr. Paul Gibbons RIP

Monsignor Edward Hill RIP

Fr. Malachy Steenson CP, RIP Fr. John Hartley RIP

Fr. Antony Logan RIP Fr. Gordon Thompson RIP Fr. Denis Paul RIP Deacon Michael Baldry RIP

May these, whom we have known and loved and all who sleep in the peace of Christ, find in your presence, light, happiness and peace. Amen, Amen.

#### **BISHOP HOWARD GEORGE TRIPP RIP**



It is with sadness that we learn of the death of Bishop Howard Tripp. Known to thousands of parishioners throughout Southwark and friend to all of us at St Teresa's. We thank God for his years of Service to Southwark Diocese.

May Bishop Tripp Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

#### **MARY JURKIEWICZ RIP**

Our prayers and spiritual support reach out to Eileen Thompson and her family as they grieve for the loss their sister Mary. Mary died on 29<sup>th</sup> September and we pray for her soul and the comfort for all those who mourn her loss. Her funeral will be held on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm** at St Teresa's Church.

May Mary Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

#### JUNE ROSE O'BRYNE RIP

June passed away on the 18<sup>th</sup> September and we remember the family at this time, especially her daughter Angela Dalley. Her funeral will take place at **North East Surrey at 11.20am on Monday 24th October.** 

May June Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

#### **PAT MCMANUS RIP**

Please pray for the soul of Pat McManus who started his Eternal Journey surrounded by his wife and family. We pray that the Holy Spirit may comfort and strengthen his wife Bernadette, his family and friends at this time.

May Pat Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

#### **DANIEL BEAZLEY**

Last week we received the news of the death of Dan Beazley aged 90, a parishioner of Saint Teresa's. Our condolences and prayers go out to the family, especially James his son and Rebecca his granddaughter.

May Dan Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!

#### **DEC – UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL**

https://www.dec.org.uk/?gclid=Cj0KCQiA64GRBhCZARIsAHOLriLrac5em-topByZ8D5L4luy7Ar6ewj7qJUEO4ahlr5d XnRl3W3Sr4aAux2EALw wcB

### **CAFOD** (same one DEC fundraising)

https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis

#### **DEPAUL UKRAINE EMERGENCY APPEAL via The Tablet**

https://int.depaulcharity.org/

#### **LEGION OF MARY**

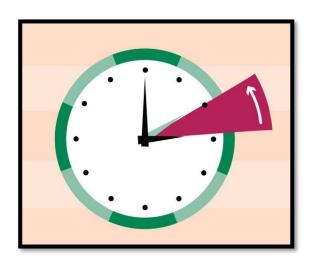
The Legion of Mary are meeting once again, on Thursday evening 7pm in the Parish Centre.



#### **CHOIR PRACTICE**



Choir practice and will take place on Thursday evenings in the Church 7pm-8p.



# WARNING! CLOCK CHANGE NEXT SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> 2AM BST BECOMES 1AM GMT

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: THE HOLY FATHER'S MESSAGE

This is an abridged version of the Holy Father's message for World Mission Sunday 2022, which first appeared in the autumn edition of Mission Today. The full text, with references, is available at here. As Mission Month begins, we join with Pope Francis in being witnesses to Christ's mission on earth.

'You shall be my witnesses'

- Acts 1:8

The theme for World Mission Sunday this year is based on the words spoken by the Risen Jesus to his disciples just before his Ascension into heaven: 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth' (Acts 1:8).



#### 'You shall be my witnesses'

This is the heart of Jesus' teaching to the disciples regarding their mission in the world. The disciples are to be witnesses of Jesus, in every place and situation, thanks to the grace of the Holy Spirit that they will receive. Christ was the first to be sent, as a 'missionary' of the Father (Jn 20:21), and as such, he is the Father's 'faithful witness' (cf. Rev 1:5).

In a similar way, every Christian is called to be a missionary and witness to Christ. The Church's only mission, as the community of Christ's disciples, is to bring the Gospel to the entire world by bearing witness to Christ. Each baptised person is called to mission, in the Church and by the mandate of the Church: consequently, mission is carried out together, not individually, in communion with the ecclesial community.

Missionaries of Christ are not sent to communicate themselves, to demonstrate their powers of persuasion or their managerial skills. Instead, they have the supreme honour of presenting Christ in words and actions, proclaiming to everyone the Good News of his salvation, with joy and boldness, as the first apostles did.

In evangelisation, the example of a Christian life and the proclamation of Christ are inseparable. This kind of complete, consistent, and joyful witness to Christ will surely be a force of attraction also for the growth of the Church in the third millennium. I urge everyone to have the courage, frankness and parrhesía (ability to speak the truth) of the first Christians, to bear witness to Christ in word and deed in every area of life.

#### 'To the ends of the earth'

The words 'to the ends of the earth' challenge us all to go beyond our geographical boundaries and comfort zones into situations and places where missionary witnesses of Christ have not arrived, to bring the Good News of his love. The Church must constantly keep looking outwards and testify to all people, whatever their circumstances, the love of Christ. Here I would like to remember and express my gratitude to all those missionaries who have given their lives to share Christ's love with all the brothers and sisters they encounter.

#### Strengthened and guided by the Spirit

When the risen Christ commissioned the disciples to be his witnesses, he also promised them the grace needed for this great responsibility. We see in Acts 1:8, that it was precisely following the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples that the first act of witnessing to the crucified and risen Christ took place. Whereas they had previously been weak, fearful and closed in on themselves, the Holy Spirit gave them the strength, courage and wisdom to bear witness to Christ before all people.

It is precisely when we feel tired, unmotivated or confused that we should remember to turn to the Holy Spirit in prayer. Prayer plays a fundamental role in our missionary life, for it allows us to be refreshed and strengthened by the Spirit, the inexhaustible divine source of renewed energy and joy in sharing Christ's life with others. It is the Holy Spirit who gives us the right word, at the right time, and in the right way.

#### A 200 year legacy

The same Spirit which guides the universal Church, also inspires ordinary men and women to undertake extraordinary missions. And so it was that exactly two hundred years ago, a young French woman, Blessed Pauline Jaricot, founded the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (Missio's APF). She established a network of prayer and fundraising for missionaries, so that the faithful could actively participate in God's mission 'to the ends of the earth'.

This brilliant idea gave rise to the annual celebration of World Mission Sunday. The funds collected by parishes worldwide are sent to the universal solidarity fund which the Pope administers to support the mission of the Church throughout the world.

This same Spirit guided and inspired the founders of the other three societies which now make up Missio (the Pontifical Mission Societies). I encourage you to rejoice with them, in this special year, for the evangelising work they enable the Church to carry out globally and locally. My hope is that local Churches will increasingly look to Missio as a tangible

means of fostering a missionary spirit among the people of God.

Dear brothers and sisters, I continue to dream of a completely missionary Church, and a new era of missionary activity among Christian communities. I repeat Moses' great desire for the people of God on their journey: 'Would that all the Lord's people were prophets!' (Num 11:29). Indeed, would that all of us in the Church were what we already are by virtue of our baptism: prophets, witnesses, missionaries of the Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to the ends of the earth! Mary, Queen of the Missions, pray for us!

+Franciscus

#### WELCOME TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

If you are considering becoming a Catholic, or you are a baptised Catholic who is considering completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and Holy Eucharist), our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process can help you.

We would be delighted to meet you and explain more. We have a meeting planned for **Thursday 27**<sup>th</sup> **October 6.30pm** in the Parish Office. The kettle will be on the go. Come and join us. Find our team and our parish family ready and willing to support you and pray for you.

No immediate commitments necessary at this moment.

St. Teresa's parish welcomes new members every year. They come from other faiths, other Christian denominations and there are those who have no faith background at all.

Our journey in Faith Programme is designed to offer you guidance and support in your spiritual journey towards a beautiful, deepening relationship with Jesus. As you move through prayer, reflection, Scripture reading, storytelling, questioning, worshipping and performing works of charity, you have the love and support of Saint Teresa, Our Lady - the Mother of Heaven and our programme is user friendly!

#### **SEPARATED OR DIVORCED?**

ANNULMENTS. Pastoral Support Follow Up.

The Marriage Tribunal of our Diocese serves to study marriages that have ended in divorce. The goal of these studies is to determine if a particular marriage may be declared invalid according to Canon Law.

Central to the responsibility is proclaiming the sanctity and permeance of marriage. While carefully protecting the teaching of Jesus on marriage and its indissolubility, Holy Mother Church also recognises that many marriages today end in the tragedy of divorce. Yet, for many of these good people their faith and their Church remain very important to them. Nor does the Catholic Church abandon them.

In its love and its pastoral concern, the Church provides an ecclesiastical tribunal whose function is to evaluate the validity of the failed marriage in the light of Scripture, Tradition and Church Law. In many cases, the church is able to grant a Decree of Invalidity (annulment). This process helps heal the anger and disappointment with one's self and with one's former spouse. It often brings closure to hurtful memories. It frees the Catholic to marry again or to have the second marriage CONVALIDATED by the Church, thus restoring the Catholic to full sacramental life of the Church.

Remembering that the ministry of Jesus was one of healing and reconciliation. Our parish Clergy Team and our Diocesan Tribunal is ever mindful of its call to help you and do its best for all who are seeking help and guidance.

If you would like to have a Confidential chat with us to explain more and answer questions or doubts, we can make this happen.

May God bless you as you seek help and support and communion with us sin the Catholic faith. If you are divorced, may the Lords mercy touch the memories of this painful time in your life through the Church. Should you decide to seek a Declaration of Nullity, may it be a source of healing for you and your family.

#### **READERS**

Would you be interested in reading at any of the weekend Masses? A wonderful ministry to be involved in. Please contact Frances Jones on either 07941 895026 or frances.jones55@hotmail.co.uk.

#### **CALLING ALL CATECHIST!**

#### Diocesan Day for Catechists - Saturday 12 November 2022

On behalf of the Archbishop, we invite you to attend the annual Diocesan Day for Catechists on Saturday 12 November 2022 at the Amigo Hall and St George's Cathedral, Southwark, SE1 6HR. This Day is for all the catechists of the diocese, including those involved in Liturgy of the Word for Children and



the RCIA process, and is our first since 2019. Tea and coffee will be provided. **Please bring a packed lunch.** Please sign up on the list in the narthex by Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November or email the parish office at morden@rcaos.org.uk.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLOTHES – CAN YOU HELP?

Do you have any unwanted First Holy Communion clothes? If so, are you able to donate them to a charity looking after Ukrainian Refugee families in the UK. Please being items, for both girls and boys, to the parish and mark them First Holy Communion.



#### RELICS OF ST BERNADETTE

A coach will be arranged from St Teresa's to Aylesford on Friday 28<sup>th</sup>
October, leaving the church at 8am and leaving Aylesford at 4 pm. The
cost is £5 return or a donation of your choice.
Please sign-up on the notice in the narthex.



In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This very special once in a lifetime event will provide an

opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them. St Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage Tour might be displayed in parishes and schools. The relics are due to visit **St George's Cathedral** from the morning of **Wednesday 19 October** until the morning of **Friday 21 October**; they will also visit **Aylesford** from **Monday 24 October** until **Friday 28 October**. Please consult the website of each venue for further details as you will need to register to attend.

https://stbernadette.org.uk/registration/ Full tour starts 2<sup>nd</sup> September in Diocese of Westminster

# Training Sessions for November & December 2022 2.30pm to 3.30pm

For those who wish to become Altar Severs there is now a training course arranged for November. Children must attend all five sessions in order to enrol. There will be consent forms available for parents to sign giving permission regarding live streaming. The training sessions will take place on a Saturday between 2.30 – 3.30pm at the Church.

#### Training Dates are as follows:-

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm – 3.30pm Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm – 3.30pm Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm – 3.30pm **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November - NO SESSION** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2.30pm – 3.30pm Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm – 3.30pm

All sessions MUST be completed by new Altar Servers.

## **Flame 2023**

In this film, Cardinal Vincent Nichols speaks to two young people who have been to Flame Youth Congress events in the past – Nnaemeka Anyamele and Grace Parker. He gets to the heart of why so many young people gather together for prayer, worship, outstanding music from award-winning artists, and why it's a day not to be missed. To watch the Youtube promo goto:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= HKvdbJ1PIE

**DBS FOR VOLUNTEERS** As you will be aware most volunteers who support the church need to complete a safeguarding check; this



comes in the form of a DBS which is conducted every 3 years. We are in the process of auditing our volunteers to see who needs a new DBS, those who require a new one will receive an email in the next week or so. **Please check your email** account and if you have received an email then complete the online application form and book an appointment with our parish office so we can take copies of your identity documents. More information will be provided soon, but in the meantime if you have any queries please contact Adrian on <a href="mailto:morequeather:moreque

#### ST RAPHAEL'S WELLBEING CENTRE

Have you been diagnosed, or are you caring for someone with a life-limiting, progressive or chronic illness or are you recently bereaved? If the answer is yes, please contact **St Raphael's Wellbeing Centre.** 

The Wellbeing Centre does not offer clinical support. We are here for social, therapeutic and advisory support for the residents of Merton and Sutton, over the age of 18. You do not need to be

under the clinical care of the Hospice to be able to attend. Your medical care will remain with your GP or Clinical Team. We can however provide invaluable social support.

Come along to our bright, modern centre based in St Bede's Conference Centre located in the same grounds as St Raphael's Hospice. Our sessions are fun and friendly. We are open for morning and afternoon activities on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Our sessions are designed to empower you to live well with your diagnosis, offer peer support, promote independence and offer respite and relaxation. The services are free of charge although donations are most welcome.

The morning sessions run from 10am until 12:30pm and includes a light lunch. The afternoon sessions run from 1:30pm until 3:30pm with refreshments.

Our current sessions include: Tuesday morning: Art & Crafts

Tuesday afternoon: Music Appreciation

Wednesday morning: Living Well Programme – a series of talks on different topics

Wednesday afternoon: Armchair Yoga/Breathing & Relaxation

Thursday morning: Coffee & Crafts

Thursday afternoon: Men's Den and Ladies Afternoon Tea

If you would like to find out more about our sessions or would like to come in and have a look around our Centre then please call our Wellbeing Centre Team on 020 8099 1722 or email us on wellbeingcentre@straphaels.org.uk.

You can also visit our website for further information www.straphaels.org.uk/wellbeing-centre If you, or anyone you know may benefit from our services, please contact us.

St Raphael's Wellbeing Centre St Bede's Conference Centre London Road, Cheam, SUTTON SM3 9DX

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## Saint Teresa's

LIFE is remembered

LOVE is deepened, HOPE is rekindled,

FAITH is awakened,

FAITH is renewed,

FAITH is strengthened,

Where BLESSINGS from Heaven await you.

Where the LORD OF DIVINE MERCY forgives you.

Where the Mother of God prays for you.

Where Saint Teresa intercedes for you.

Where Saint Joseph seeks to help you.

Where the Parish Family pray for you.

WELCOME - WELCOME - WELCOME

## **ADVENT SPECIAL**

(Fridays in Advent)

ALL YOUNG PEOPLE ARE WELCOME ST. TERESA'S YOUTH

# **ADOREMUS TE**



Starting with 7pm Mass

There is no better way to show our love to the Lord!

ADOREMUS TE

Adoremus Te nights involve Music, Adoration and Confession

THIS IS DEFINITELY A YOUTH FAVOURITE!

#### BETTER MARRIAGE

Dear husband and wife,

Here is an opportunity to attend an online Building a Better Marriage course from 9am - 1pm on Saturday October 22. It means that you can attend from your own living room and there is no group sharing. This course is for couples with average or good marriages who would like to make them better. More details: mflkent@rcaos.org.uk or telephone 07913 904 997.

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION PRESENTERS

Job vacancy: a married couple, both being practising Catholics, to present 6 courses a year in various locations in South London and Kent, as well as providing cover in case of colleagues' illness. Salary: £30,000 pro rata (£7,000) for the couple. Mileage paid in addition. All training given. For full job description and further details, please contact <a href="mailto:liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk">liamgallagher@rcaos.org.uk</a> Closing date for applications: October 14.

#### **NEW MARRIAGE LAW**

Please be aware of the following change in the law which takes effect from 1<sup>ST</sup> July 2021!

Immigration laws for EEA nationals will change from the 1 July to reflect the changes brought about following EU Exit. These changes will impact EEA citizens who wish to marry in England and Wales as the definition of a relevant national has changed. A relevant national, from the 1 July 2021, will be classed as:

- A British Citizen
- An Irish Citizen
- An EEA National who has been granted Settled or Pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) or those with a pending application submitted before the 30 June 2021. Currently couples who are subject to immigration control must make an appointment at one of 75 Designated Register Offices within England and Wales to give notice to marry. From the 1 July 2021, all register offices will be designated for the purposes of taking a marriage for these couples.

An EEA national who does not hold a status under the EUSS will be treated as all other foreign nationals and will have to give notice of their intention to marry (together with their partner) at a register office in the registration district where either resides and be issued with a Marriage Schedule.

### PARISH FINANCE

#### **Sunday Collections and Donations**

Last weekend's Offertory: £1,150.63 SECOND COLLECTION LAST WEEK: CAFOD £756.04 (cash £591.04 and card £165) and Prisoners collection £299.89 Thank You!



During the current situation, we would like to say a huge THANK YOU to the many of you who have kindly signed up to **standing orders**. This is so much appreciated and valued. If you wish to contribute by cheque in lieu of plate collections, this can be sent to the presbytery: St. Teresa's Church, 250, Bishopsford Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 6BJ. They may be made payable to St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

Many thanks to those of you who have so kindly offered to set up standing orders in lieu of our Sunday plate collections. This is a most convenient method of planned giving (for all concerned);

already used by so many at Morden – and is vitally important at this time. Regular standing orders can be for any amount, no matter how small – just give what you can afford. Please send a written request via the parish office with contact details.

We will be happy to receive any offerings directly by on-line banking or by <u>standing order</u>, which can be arranged through your bank, or by using the <u>DONATE</u> link here or on the parish website.

#### **Do You Gift Aid?**

The value of your donation can be increased by 25% at no extra cost to yourself, simply by gift aiding it if you are a taxpayer. The parish learns nothing about your private financial affairs. The average weekly collection between plate and standing orders, was approximately



£2,400 a week (*pre-COVID*). If only half of that was GIFT AIDED, it would mean an extra £300 a week, or £15,600 a year to Parish funds. We are genuinely grateful to those who are Gift-Aiding. If you haven't been doing so, please print off a Gift Aid form from the parish website. At the present time the parish income is down about £5,000 each month. Hopefully, when parish life returns to normal, we will soon see these financial worries and concerns disappear.



Thank you to everybody who continues to support the parish through the collection, standing orders, gift aid and dropping in contributions. Online donations have seen an increase recently - A big THANK YOU FOR THOSE DONATIONS coming in via our parish website 'JUST GIVING' - Press the button marked **DONATE**. If you scroll down further, we also say 'Thanks' for your support and other ways you can support our parish. Again, THANK YOU.

#### GIFT AID NOTICE - HAVE YOU COLLECTED YOUR GIFT AID BOX?

For those already signed up, Gift Aid Envelopes are available. Please collect your Gift Aid or Standing Order envelopes before or after Mass from the Contact Corner. If no one is at the Contact Corner, please ask one of the Stewards for Linda or Lorraine.

If you pay tax and would like to join, please have a word with one of the team, it is simple and at no extra cost to you the Church can claim back 25%. See below for more details **Do You Gift Aid?** 

#### **CARD READERS**

To make things easier we have now introduced a number of card readers, which you will find throughout the church. The CollecTin reader is near the Icon of Padre Pio, instructions are listed next to the machine. You can use this for all offertories and donations.

The Sum-Up card reader will be situated in the narthex near the statue of St Teresa and can be used only for candles. Coming soon in the Repository will be another card reader so that you can pay for all your purchases using a credit debit card.

#### **COLLECTIN**

CollecTin is a card reader on which you can give your offertory and any other donation. All special collections will be listed on this machine and if you **Gift Aid** you need only register once, and it will remember you for all your donations - if you use the same card (each card would need to be registered).

#### **CANDLES**

#### SUMUP CARD READER

- IF THE SCREEN IS BLANK press the power button
- ENTER THE AMOUNT YOU WISH TO DONATE
  - e.g. 5 0 0 is £5.00, press the green tick button
- TAP CARD for contactless or INSERT CARD using your pin
- SELECT RECEIPT use arrows to select option required

#### **QR SCAN POINTS**

There is now the opportunity to donate using a QR Scanner on your phone (if you have one installed). There are a number of Scan points in the church, one by the Statue of the Sacred Heart, one by the Exit side door and one on the noticeboard in the porch.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT - IT'S VALUED AND APPRECIATED!

#### Please Be Aware.

At this time, there is an increasing risk of cybercrime and online fraud. If you ever receive an email stating a change in bank account details purporting to be from the Archdiocese or from any of the diocesan parishes, please contact the diocese immediately by telephone on 020 8682 7880 in order to verify that the email is genuine and not a scam.

#### PERFECT CONTRITION AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

What to do if you cannot go to Confession or Holy Communion due to the COVID-19 coronavirus: If you have to self-isolate or are quarantined, you will be unable to receive the sacraments as normal. In these circumstances, there are devotions through which you can receive absolution for your sins (under certain conditions), and the consolation of Eucharistic grace. The following devotions are officially encouraged by the Church and have been practised by saints.

#### **How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition**

Through an act of Perfect Contrition, you receive pardon for your sins outside of confession, even mortal sins, on condition that you are determined to amend your life and make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as this becomes possible for you.

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: 'My God, grant me perfect contrition for my sins.'

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of the crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins"

- 2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent your sins because you love God and are sorry for having offended Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have bought Our Lord His sufferings on the cross. Promise him that with His help, you will not sin again.
- 3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focussed on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because You are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against You and by the help of Your grace I will not sin again. Amen."
- 4. Make a firm resolution to go to a sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

#### How to make a Spiritual Communion

The key to Spiritual Communion is to grow in your heart a constant desire for the Blessed Sacrament.



- 1. If you are aware of serious or mortal sin, make an Act of Perfect Contrition
- 2. Imagine the sacred words and actions of the Mass or watch online or on TV.
- 3. Make all those acts of faith, humility, sorrow, adoration, love and desire that you usually express before Holy Communion.
- 4. Desire, with earnest longing, to receive Our Lord present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Sacrament. Say the prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri The Prayer of Spiritual Communio

After moments of silent adoration make all those acts of faith, humility, love, thanksgiving and offering that you usually express through prayers after Holy Communion.