



St. Teresa's Morden

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Confessions after all Masses

Mass Times and Intentions-Year A:

Sunday 30th April – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

- 5.30pm Vigil – Theresa & Sokkalingham Dasan RIP
- 9am Elizabeth Coutinho's Intentions
- 11am People of the Parish

Monday 1st May – St Joseph the Worker

- 8am Adoration
- 9.15am Rosary
- 10am Angela & Alan Butler's Intentions

Tuesday 2nd May – St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor

- 8am Adoration
- 9.15am Rosary
- 10am David Goldband RIP
Simon Butler's Intentions
- 7pm **Tuesday Night Adoration**

Wednesday 3rd May – SS Philip and James the Apostles

- 8am Adoration
- 9.00am Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
- 10am Cosmos Martins RIP

Thursday 4th May – The English Martyrs

- 8am Adoration
- 9.15am Rosary
- 10am Antony Raj Fernando RIP

Friday 5th May – FIRST FRIDAY

- 8am Adoration
- 9.15am Rosary
- 10am Sick & Housebound & HM King Charles III
First Friday Devotions, Anointing, Confessions

Saturday 6th May – FIRST SATURDAY

- 4.30pm First Saturday Devotions for the Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 5.30pm Vigil – Esther & John Chellappah RIP

Sunday 7th May – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

- 9am People of the Parish
- 11am Abraham & Froilan Deoferio RIP
Antonina Urbani RIP



Our Masses are available online at

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

All Services are streamed on YouTube

PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8.30am to 1pm

OUR GRATEFUL THANKS.

The Choir and music group are an every-present and important part of parish liturgy. Members are often committed to meeting for practice during each week so that in leading the congregation on the following Sunday the music is offered to the glory of God. The psalms, the song or hymn words that we sing in church and the music that accompanies them, have the power not only to teach us but also to lead and move us through the different elements of the liturgy. We have music to help us praise God at our Saturday Vigil, our 9am Mass and our 11am Mass. Our director of music and our pastoral musicians are excellent. They have huge responsibility to choose songs or hymns with words that are authentic and which tell the good news in ways that inspire and are remembered and which send us out affirmed in a desire to live and work to God's praise and glory.

My Lord, at Saint Teresa's we give thanks for the music offered at our Holy Masses especially on Sunday's. We wish to please you and offer our love and thanksgiving to you. May we ask for your blessing for all members of our choirs, all our musicians and the parish family who under their guidance lead us in prayer and praise.

To one and all involved in our parish music ministry I quote from Ephesians 5: 18-19 'Be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts'



Please hear our prayer for:

Anne-Marie Mendonça, Moira Macklin, Maureen Flaherty, John McDonagh, James Diver, Eugene Diver, Francesco Gargano, Patricia Jayasena, Jean Lue, Ruba Santipillai, Baby Alexander Lynch, Erika Geddes, Denise Waaldjk, Valerie Somerset, Leonard James Connolly, Thea Haddad, 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, Tony London, Kevin McKeon, Vincent Moyle, John Antao, Stella Carrasco, Gerald Pereira, Jason Sigalas, Reme Mills, Emilia Koharic, Vince & Edna Horwood, Tess Goldband, Baby Morse Dannatt, Edna Quigley Horwood and Pope Francis.

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;



Theresa Mason RIP
Elaine Goldson-Rhule RIP
Teresa Gomes RIP
Patricia Perryman RIP
Antonio Costa RIP
John Richmond-D'Monte RIP
Ann James RIP
Anna Maria Reid RIP
June Rose O'Bryne RIP
Mary Jurkiewisz RIP
Sheila Connolly RIP
Ezra Halahakone RIP
Sylvester Forya RIP
Josephine Sheldrick RIP
Margaret Leahy RIP
Harry Bateman RIP
Antonina Urbani RIP

Mark Ryan RIP
Anne Dunne RIP
Patricia Kiely RIP
Lizzie Corcoran RIP
Albertas Ambotas RIP
Peter Newbold RIP
Jeffrey Myles RIP
Theresa McGoldrick
Pat McManus RIP
Daniel Beazley RIP
Dominick Kelly RIP
Libera Marie Pereppi RIP
Christopher Byrne RIP
Neville Leonard Patrick RIP
Maureen Smith RIP
Peter Barry RIP
Maureen Smith RIP



Southwark Diocese Clergy Deaths

Deacon William Boyd RIP
Deacon Jim Hayes RIP
Fr. Paul Sanders RIP
Canon Richard Hearn RIP
Fr. Paul Gibbons RIP
Fr. Malachy Steenson CP, RIP
Fr. Antony Logan RIP
Fr. Denis Paul RIP
Deacon Alan Bond RIP
Bishop Howard Tripp RIP
Canon Colm Acton RIP

Fr. Richard Diala RIP
Fr. Michael Boland RIP
Fr. Robert Copsey SOLT RIP
Deacon Vincent Bowgett RIP
Monsignor Edward Hill RIP
Fr. John Hartley RIP
Fr. Gordon Thompson RIP
Deacon Michael Baldry RIP
Deacon Vincent Bowgett RIP
Deacon Fred Carter 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.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Yana Bartkiv RIP for whom the parish have been praying, died at the age of 38 years on Friday 21st April. We offer her family and friends our condolences and ask the Mercy of God to look upon her soul.

May Yana Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

DEC – UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL

https://www.dec.org.uk/?gclid=Cj0KCQiA64GRBhCZARIsAHOLriLrac5em-topByZ8D5L4luy7Ar6ewj7qJUEO4ahr5d_XnRI3W3Sr4aAux2EALw_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/>

TEA & COFFEE

Come and join us for refreshments and a chat in the Parish Hall after the 11am Mass

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.

Priest Training Fund Second Collection 30th April

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 3 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest. We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today. Thank you!

- Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.



LEADING THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Thank you to one and all who gladly take this ministry on at Saint Teresa's. Leading intercessions in church at Holy Mass is an important role. Finding the right words to speak when interceding between the people of God is a task that needs prayerful time and consideration. It is not a gift that everyone has, and certainly not something that everyone feels able to do. We would like to open the door to this role at Holy Mass. We are inviting a family, children, young teenagers, our senior citizens, to join a rota to prepare our Parish Intercessions to be read at Holy Mass. We would be delighted if you would like to read them out at the Mass you attend. If you are interested please let us know. A leaflet and guidelines will be available and we can also send this out to your email address.

VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all those who volunteer in the parish life of Saint Teresa's. We have many active parish groups and more still to return. If you are a new volunteer with any of the groups in the parish, please contact the parish office to make an appointment with the Safeguarding Team before joining in any activity – 020 8648 4113.

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

PARISH FINANCE

Sunday Collections and Donations

Last weekend's Offertory: £762.86 and £222.07 Second collection for the maintenance of St George's Cathedral. THANK YOU!

THIS WEEK 2ND COLLECTION: Priest Training Fund



Tithes and offerings

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 [standing order](#), which can be arranged through your bank, or by using the [DONATE](#) 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.

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Making donations go further



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 Communion

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.