

## St. Teresa's Morden

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## Mass Times and Intentions-Year A:

**CONFESSION** after all Masses **₹** 

ADORATION Monday to Friday 8am 

Divine Mercy Monday to Friday 9.30am 

ROSARY after Mass Monday to Friday 

NOVENA to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Wednesdays 9am 

Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary Friday 9am 

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| Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> October     | 5.30pm Vigil | Jite Oru's Intentions                                   |
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| 30 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY | 9am          | Valerie Somerset's Intentions                           |
| TIME                                | 11am         | People of the Parish                                    |
| Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> October        | 10am         | Thomas Ward RIP 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary             |
| Tues 31 <sup>st</sup> October       | 10am         | Teresita & Josephina Pavia-Logarta's Intentions         |
|                                     | 6.30pm Vigil | Mass followed by Adoration                              |
| Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> November        | 10am         | People of the Parish                                    |
| ALL SAINTS                          | 1.45pm       | St Teresa's School, staff and Pupils                    |
|                                     | 6.30pm       | Parish Families   |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November   | 10am         | November Deceased List/Holy Souls                       |
| ALL SOULS                           | 5.30pm       | Adoration   |
|                                     | 6.30pm       | Holy Souls/Family Tree                                  |
| Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November     | 12pm         | Sick & Housebound/Holy Souls                            |
| FIRST FRIDAY                        |              | First Friday Devotions, Anointing, Adoration            |
| Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> November   | 4.30pm       | First Saturday Devotions in Reparation to Our Lady      |
| FIRST SATURDAY                      | 5.30pm Vigil | Pauline Benton's Intentions                             |
| Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> November     | 9am          | Deceased Members of Ejoy Family                         |
| 31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY             | 11am         | People of the Parish                                    |
| TIME                                | 3pm          | Blessing of the Graves – Merton & Sutton Joint Cemetery |

**ADORATION – DAILY FROM 8am - TUESDAY EVENING WEEKLY ADORATION** The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration from 7pm – 9pm every Tuesday. Please join us.

**RCIA** – Meet every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall

TEA & COFFEE IN HALL - After the 11am Mass

**LEGION OF MARY** - The Legion of Mary meet Thursday evening 7pm in the Parish Centre.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** – Thursday 7pm-8pm

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November Blessings of Graves will take place at 3pm at Merton and Sutton joint Cemetery, Garth Road, Morden SM4 4NW. The following Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November Blessing of Graves will take place at 3pm at Sutton Cemetery, Alcorn Close, off Oldfields Road, Sutton, SM3 9PX Alcorn Close, off Oldfields Road, Sutton, SM3 9PX NEW ALTAR SERVERS: If you are applying, you must have received your First Holy Communion and must attend all five sessions starting on Saturday 18th November at 4:00 pm, Saturday 25th November, Saturday 2nd December, Saturday 9th December and Saturday 16th December. Parent/ Carers must fill in a registration document, which will be available soon.

DECEASED & SICK Please remember in your prayers Pricilla Rebello RIP who has died recently, especially her husband Cipi and all her family and friends. For all those whose anniversaries occur at this time and remember also, those in our parish family who are in care homes, sick or housebound, especially all those on our Parish Sick List. (See online for full list of names).

STAYING IN 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 or call him on 07747 545080. If Fr Philip knows you are in the hospital, he will ensure you receive a visit and Holy Communion if required.

## **Dear Parish Catechists**

On behalf of the parish, I wish to express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the parish catechists who tirelessly undertake the vital ministry of handing on the Good News of our Catholic Faith. These priceless educators of our Catholic faith play a crucial role in the spiritual formation of our children, guiding them on their journey of faith and preparing them for the sacraments of First Confession, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation.

The sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion are significant milestones in the lives of our young ones. They mark the beginning of their active participation in the Eucharistic celebration and their understanding of the forgiveness and love of God. It is through the dedication and commitment of our parish catechists that these programs are made possible. They selflessly give their time, knowledge, and energy to ensure that our children receive proper catechesis and are prepared to receive these sacraments with reverence and understanding.

Furthermore, the Confirmation program is another crucial aspect of our catechetical ministry. This crucial Sacrament strengthens our young people in their faith and empowers them to be witnesses of Christ in the world. The role of our parish catechists in this program is invaluable. They guide our youth through a period of discernment, teaching them about the gifts of the Holy Spirit and helping them to deepen their relationship with God. Through their dedication, our young people are equipped to embrace their faith and live it out boldly in their daily lives.

However, the responsibility of passing on the faith does not solely rest on the shoulders of our parish catechists. As a community, we must recognise that parents are the first and primary educators of their children in matters of faith. They are on the front line of evangelisation, and their active involvement in the faith formation of their children is crucial. We encourage more parents and parishioners to step forward and serve as parish catechists, sharing their faith journey and enriching the catechetical programs with their unique perspectives and experiences.

In prayer, let us take a moment to express our gratitude to our parish catechists. Their dedication, passion, and love for our Catholic faith are evident in the way they selflessly give of themselves to nurture the faith of our children. They are the unsung heroes who work behind the scenes, often without recognition or praise. But their impact on the lives of our young ones is immeasurable.

To our parish catechists, we say thank you. Thank you for your unwavering commitment to the spiritual formation of our children. Thank you for your patience, your guidance, and your love. Your ministry is a true testament to the beauty and richness of our Catholic faith.

In conclusion, remember that the responsibility of passing on the faith is a collective effort. It is a partnership between parents, parish catechists, and the faith community. Together, let us continue to support and uplift one another in this noble mission of handing on the Good News of our Catholic faith.

Thank you, and may God bless you, our young parishioners, their parents or guardians, and the parish family.

## Dear Parents, Grandparents and Guardians,

Peace be with You 🛕

I hope this message finds you well. I invite you to a special gathering planned for Monday, November 6th, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

I hope that you can attend the event. We look forward to seeing you and welcoming you. Our meeting is geared towards providing a space for mothers, fathers, grandparents, and toddlers to come together and build a sense of community. During this time, we will be offering a buffet-style meal, where you can enjoy a delicious spread of food while mingling with other families. It's a perfect opportunity to share your joys, challenges, and experiences of raising children in today's world.

As part of the gathering, I will also be offering a special blessing for you and your family. It's important to remember that your role as a parent or guardian is a sacred one, and it deserves recognition and support. We will be distributing Miraculous Medals as a symbol of our prayers and blessings for your family.

Additionally, I would like to take some time for a reflection on family life. We will delve into the unique joys and struggles that come with nurturing and guiding young ones in faith and love.

Your feedback on parish life will also be valued, as we strive to create a welcoming and supportive environment for families within St Teresa's community.

We understand that many of you may have to pick up your older children from school or nursery, so we have carefully chosen the time to accommodate those needs.

Please let us know if you are able to attend, as it will assist us in organising the catering appropriately.

In closing, I want to extend my heartfelt blessing to you and your family, and especially your family home. May God's grace and love be abundant in your lives as you navigate the beautiful journey of parenthood.

Your brother in Christ, Canon Michael 👃

**SYNOD FEEDBACK:** Letter of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops to the People of God <a href="https://www.synod.va/en/news/letter-of-the-xvi-ordinary-general-assembly-of-the-synod-of-bishops-to-the-people-of-god.html">https://www.synod.va/en/news/letter-of-the-xvi-ordinary-general-assembly-of-the-synod-of-bishops-to-the-people-of-god.html</a>

Last weekend's Offertory: £671.70

Second Collection MISSIO - World Mission Sunday - £424.72 THANK YOU!