



# St. Teresa's Morden

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## Mass Times and Intentions-Year B:

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 ☒

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b> <b>33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY</b> <b>TIME</b> <b>Christ The King</b>	5.30pm Vigil 9am 11am	<i>Youth Day</i> November Deceased List/Holy Souls People of the Parish Thomas Mills RIP
Mon 27 <sup>h</sup> November	10am	November Deceased List/Holy Souls
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> November	10am	Samuel Ejoh RIP November Deceased List/Holy Souls
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> November	10am  <b>12pm</b>	Rev. Brendan Byrne RIP (F.M.) November Deceased List/Holy Souls <b>Requiem Mass Kathleen Hegarty RIP</b>
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Requiem Mass Christopher Ross-Kennedy RIP</b>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December <b>First Friday</b>	12pm	Sick & Housebound First Friday Devotions, Anointing, Adoration
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December <b>First Saturday</b>	4.30pm 5.30pm	Reparation to the Blessed Virgin Mary Michael Basford & Deceased Members of the Basford Family
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</b> <b>1st Sunday of Advent</b>	9am 11am	People of the Parish Pope's Intentions

**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

**DECEASED & SICK** Please remember in your prayers those who have died recently, especially Kathleen Hegarty RIP and Christopher Ross-Kennedy RIP, whose funerals take place this week, and all their families 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.

**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, we continue this week on **Saturday 2nd December**, Saturday 9th December and Saturday 16th December. Parent/ Carers must fill in a registration document.

**Our Masses are available online at <https://www.stcm.org.uk/>** All Services are streamed on YouTube

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

### **CHRIST THE KING**

The Feast of Christ The King is a magnificent celebration that marks the culmination of the Church's year. It is a time of great significance, and I want to take this opportunity to address our young friends directly on this Youth Sunday.

Dear Young Friends, I want to commend you for your unwavering witness to our Catholic faith. Your presence in our churches is a source of hope and inspiration for all of us. But I also want to challenge you to take your faith to the next level.

As you journey through your teenage years, you will undoubtedly face numerous challenges and temptations. The world will try to pull you away from your beliefs, questioning the very foundation of your faith. But I implore you, do not waver. Instead, let your faith be a beacon of light amidst the darkness.

Now, more than ever, we need young people like you to step up and be active in parish ministry. Your energy, enthusiasm, and fresh perspective are invaluable assets to our community. Whether it's serving at Mass, proclaiming the Word of God in our midst, or leading us in our petitions to Heaven, or being a member of our youth ministry, or getting involved in charitable initiatives at school, in the parish or in our local community. your contributions can make a real difference.

But don't stop there. I also want to encourage those of you who may be feeling a calling to priestly ministry. Our Church needs dedicated and passionate young men to answer this divine vocation. Do not dismiss the whispers of your heart. Explore this possibility, seek guidance, and discern whether God is calling you to serve Him in this sacred way.

In the midst of your busy lives, do not neglect the power of prayer. It is through prayer that we connect with God, find solace in His presence, and seek His guidance. Look to Blessed Carlo Acutis, a young man who exemplified a deep love for the Eucharist and a vibrant prayer life. Let his example inspire you to make prayer a priority in your daily routine.

Lastly, I want to emphasise the importance of the sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is not just a ritual; it is a profound encounter with God's mercy and forgiveness. Regularly availing yourself of this sacrament will cleanse your soul, strengthen your relationship with God, and give you the strength to overcome any obstacles you may face.

Dear young friends, know that you are not alone on this journey. Our parish family stands ready to support you every step of the way. We believe in your potential, and we are here to help you grow in faith and become the leaders our Church needs. So, as you go about your daily lives, remember the significance of this Feast of Christ The King. Let it be a reminder of your role as disciples of Jesus, called to follow Him and spread His message of love and hope to the world.

May God bless you abundantly, guide your steps, and grant you the courage to live out your Catholic faith boldly. The future of our Church rests in your hands. Embrace this responsibility, and together, let us build a stronger, more vibrant Catholic community.

Blessings to your family, blessings to your days at school or college or even university.

You are capable of great things. Believe in yourselves, trust in God, and let your light shine brightly for all to see.

God bless you all. Canon Michael

**CHRISTMAS SIGN-UP SHEETS** There are sheets in the sacristy for Readers and Altar Servers to sign up for the Christmas and New Year Masses.

**RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Please see the website for important information and invitation to a meeting for parents/guardians of First Holy Communion children 2024 or pick up a hard copy at the Contact Corner. The meeting will take place Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 9.30am in the church.

**CAFOD NEWS** Thank you so much for your recent generous support both financial and spiritual. Our parish of St Teresa of the Child Jesus raised £418 this Harvest for those in need. Thanks to you, more families like Meera's can get help from doctors and other local experts when they need it most. Doctor Nasha writes .....

*"We are incredibly grateful to you for thinking of us and helping. It's so heartwarming to know we have friends who are there for us when we need it most. Thank you so much"*

This Christmas you may wish to give a needy family a World Gift such as the gift of clean water or the gift of chickens or goats which can provide a family with a livelihood. More information is available on <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk>

CAFOD'S Christmas Fun Run is back. It is a festive walk, run or stroll around Clapham Common at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday 9th December. It is an event for all the family. For further information check the website.

<https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/NativityFunRun>

Finally, CAFOD are continuing to support our global family in the Middle East and in Ukraine as well as in other areas around the world.

**Last weekend's Offertory: £750.24      Second collection Archbishops Appeal £440.70 - THANK YOU!**

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK – YOUTH SUNDAY**

Further news available online