

### **SCRIPTURE REFLECTION**

'I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the spirit of power, and love and self control'. (2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14) As with Timothy, we are custodians of the faith and we must be so visibly and with conviction. The prophet Habakkuk in the first reading reminds us we need to be faithful and that he who flags in faith does so because his soul is not at rights (at peace) with God, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness. If we measure our lives by a thermometer we will feel good and at peace with ourselves and everyone if we are good and do good. If we are bad and do evil our soul will not be at peace. God will knock on the door of our heart and challenge us to conversion of mind and soul and lead us on the path of purification and healing.

**POPE'S INTENTION FOR OCTOBER A Church Open To Everyone** We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel. May the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

## PARISH MATTERS AND NEWS FROM THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

**OUR PARISH SCHOOL** Sacred Heart primary school on St Mark's Road in Teddington has some places available for in-year admissions and its headteacher, Mrs Green, would be delighted to speak to prospective parents or show them around. Please call 020 8977 6591 or email <a href="mailto:info@sacredheart.richmond.sch.uk">info@sacredheart.richmond.sch.uk</a> to make an appointment. Dates for Reception & Nursery open days will follow.

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS next week... 8-9 October CAFOD FAMILY FASTING COLLECTION

**CHURCH HALL OPEN FOR MASS** The hall to the side of the church has been re-organised for Sunday and weekday Masses to accommodate 70 persons including children. The main church building remains closed pending structural investigations and repairs.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE Estella Weston, email: <a href="mailto:teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk">teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk</a> More PSRs welcome!

NEW TO THE PARISH? We are so happy to welcome you! Email <a href="mailto:teddington@rcdow.org.uk">teddington@rcdow.org.uk</a> or ask for a form to register your details.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at Sacred Heart Church - First Aiders; Fire safety wardens** to be available in case of emergency during Masses; a **Parish Safeguarding Representative** (PSR) for 11.15 Mass or to alternate 9.30am / 11.15am; **Parish Committee members; youth animator** – all with training available. **Volunteers sought to attend the parish house when necessary, during building works**.

**THE BRIDGE MAGAZINE Autumn issues** available: hard copies in hall or on-line <a href="www.sonsofdivineprovidence.org">www.sonsofdivineprovidence.org</a> click **Support us** then **Publications.** Enjoy! If you can bring some to local parishes or gatherings please ask Fr. Stephen or give names for postal delivery.

**WE WELCOME FAMILIES BACK** How many families would attend Saturday night Mass at Sacred Heart instead of missing Sunday Mass because of other activities for their children held on Sunday mornings? **Time to reintroduce Saturday evening Mass?** Will you help to set up and lock up, to read, to serve, to take the collection, be first aider, be fire warden? **If there is help, let's make it happen!** 

**HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2022** Classes 5pm followed by Mass 6pm on 8 Oct; 15 Oct; 22 Oct; 5 Nov; 12 Nov; 19 Nov. First Holy Communion Mass - to be confirmed Saturday 26 November. Venue Sacred Heart Church or Hall, or St. Francis de Sales, Hampton Hill.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION 2023 BATCH - contact Margaret teddingtoncat1@rcdow.org.uk

**PARISH FINANCES** - our grateful thanks to all parishioners who continue to support the parish financially. **August:** Standing Orders: £2,161 **Last Sunday loose plate collection** £115.85; **Contactless** £50.00 **To donate for Sunday collection, use QR code shown below or use the photo setting of your mobile phone. To set up a Standing Order:** Forms available. Pay at HSBC Bank plc. Account no. 21094548 Sort Code 40-05-20 credit of WRCDT Teddington (& Hampton Wick); please write your initials and surname so we may identify payments.

**FINANCIAL REPORT FROM TRACI BLUNDELL** Gift Aid Update from Traci: A grateful thank you to all parishioners who have gift aided their donations. Our claim total this year (less an amount refunded to HMRC) comes to £5,882.25. In addition, we are looking forward to an additional £1,197.60 from the small donation scheme. The refund was due to an error dating back several years when the Gift Aid records were migrated onto the current accounting system. Please let me remind you to inform the parish office if you cease to be a taxpayer or change address. Also, if you know of a parishioner who has died and may have their funeral take place elsewhere, kindly let the office know. Thank you to everyone whose donations of all kinds support the work of our church.

**RED MISSION BOXES** – still available to help the abroad missions – take one – put in some coins and return. Ask Fr. Stephen for a box ...

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE FOR PARENTS AND GODPARENTS Tuesday 11 October – contact Susanne by email: teddingtoncat2@rcdow.org.uk

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – new lay representative sought from Sacred Heart Church Teddington.** Interested in the life and activity of the other local Christian Churches and promoting ecumenism? Quarterly meetings. See Fr. Stephen or John Lunt for info.

**BUILDING WORKS** Following the borescope exploration works on the ceiling, we await the report for discussions and decisions ... The drain inspection report is out. Action needed. Watch this space... Assessing Church building movement on going. An asbestos report received – no further action. Many jobs-to-do complete, others on-going. Can you see what's been done? Tree felling and brick paver relaying completed. Scaffolder and roofer – start date to replace some tiles and make good gutters awaited. Ramp in and out of hall front door functional.

### **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

**CAFOD Family Fast Day – World Food Crisis Appeal** Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. The situation worsens every day. We people of faith must act. Help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Use the envelope for our parish collection or go to cafod.org.uk/fastday.

**CARITAS** Celebrate St. Joseph's 45th Anniversary working with people with intellectual disabilities Sat 8th Oct, 2.30pm, Westminster Cathedral. See website www.stjoseph.org.uk

**SPUC (Society for Protection of the Unborn Child)** One day conference on Abortion and Coercion. Many women have an abortion against their wishes. 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct London – Broadway House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NQ 9.30am – 4.30pm Cost £35; concessions (& students) £25. Lunch included. To book: contact Katherine Hampton, 01892 542616 or email katherinehampton@spuc.org.uk.

PRISONERS SUNDAY 9 October National day of prayer and action for prisoners and their families. Envelopes and poster in parish hall.

CHRISTIAN RESOURCES EXHIBITION (CRE) CRE National Exhibition 11-13 Oct, Sandown Park, Esher. See creonline.co.uk for details.

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE Sons of Divine Providence and Don Orione Sisters are actively present in Ukraine. There is an update from Fr. Moreno who speaks about two turns of Grest holiday camp for 100/110 young people, animated by young people and many volunteers. The idea to bring some normality where there are still difficulties. Many who fled to Italy have returned. At l'viv the reconstruction of the church is under way. Don Orione Ukraine have been holding this activity for 17 years and although reduced in numbers, the show goes on and successfully. "The war continues, fear looms, the future is still marked by black clouds ... but no one can deny us the right to build, where others destroy or to spend some days in joy and fraternity, playing, singing, running and above all having a lot of fun! On these two fronts we will always be present." SDP Ukraine also continue to support the mothers keeping a promise made to them. To donate: Bank transfer reference: "Ukraine Emergency" Payee: Don Orione Onlus Foundation To: INTESA Sanpaolo Spa, Milano; IBAN: IT57 S030 6909 6061 0000 0001 484; BIC / SWIFT CODE: BCITITMMXXX Thank you.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA** 2nd Oct St Mark's Church (Rev Karen Wellman); 9th Oct Hampton Wick Baptist Church (Sandra Kimber); 16th Oct Christ Church (Rev Dominic Stockford), 23rd Oct St Michael's Church (Rev Ed Kendall)

**FAITH AT THE MUSICALS** Teddington Baptist Church, Sat 8th Oct, 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Performing favourite West End songs (*Les Misérables, The Greatest Showman* and more) and supporting Tearfund work around the world to help people out of poverty. Book on www.tearfund.org/westend or: https://FATMTeddington.eventbrite.co.uk See take-away leaflets in Sacred Heart church hall.

THE MULBERRY CENTRE is a cancer information and support centre with a non-clinical environment, set in the grounds of West Middlesex Hospital. It provides support to all affected by a diagnosis of cancer, regardless of postcode or hospital of diagnosis. All services at the Centre are free, and anyone registered with the Centre can access these services regardless of where they live or are being treated. For details, see: <a href="https://themulberrycentre.co.uk/">https://themulberrycentre.co.uk/</a>

**ST RICHARD REYNOLDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE, TWICKENHAM** VI Form Open Evening, Wed 12th Oct, Tours of the college by current students and teachers. Please register and book a ticket via this link: 6th Form Open Evening

**ST PAUL'S SUNBURY – OPEN EVENTS** Year 7 for 2023 admission: Thu 6th Oct from 8.45am-10.15am; **JOB VACANCIES** Non Premises Team Leader, Lead Science Technician, Teaching Assistant <a href="www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk">www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk</a>

**GUNNERSBURY CATHOLIC SCHOOL** The Ride, Boston Manor Road, Brentford, Middlesex TW8 9LB **OPEN DAYS 2022** MONDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2022 1.30pm – 3.00pm; WEDNESDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2022 10.30am – 11.30am; For information see: <a href="https://www.gunnersbury.com">www.gunnersbury.com</a>

**URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL WIMBLEDON –** In-person Open Events – <u>www.ursulinehigh.merton.sch.uk/sixthformadmissions/open-events</u> Thursday 6th October 5.30 – 7.30pm; Info Ms Emma Jeeps 020 3908 3109; <u>emma.jeeps@ursulinehigh.merton.sck.uk</u>

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY 7th October** – a great opportunity to ask Our Lady's intercession for ourselves and our needy world. Make the effort to pray the rosary every day during October, by yourself, with your family or other groups, wherever and whenever.

#### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

(9th Oct, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C)

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tim 2:8-13; Luke 17:11-19

# PARISH INFORMATION Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator

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\*\*Mass times: 9.30am and 11.15am in parish rooms until roof repairs are complete. Other local Sunday Masses: 9.30am (in English) and 11.00 (in Polish) at Sons of Divine Providence, Hampton Wick

Weekday Masses				
Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners Anne Hewitt Int and Michael RIP
Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.00am	Nancy Allan RIP Anniv Maria Siddiqui RIP Memorial Mass
Tuesday	4th Oct	St Francis of Assisi	9.30am	Special intention
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	St Faustina Kowalska	9.30am	Mass in school – parishioners welcome
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	St Bruno	No Mass	Please pray the rosary at home
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Our Lady of the Rosary	9.30am	Gennaro Diana RIP
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Ordinary Time	No Mass	9.30am – 11am Holy Hour & Confession
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners Ellis family