



Sacred Heart, Teddington

Parish Newsletter



18TH JUNE 2023

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PSALTER WEEK III

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

'When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. The he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.' (Matt. 9:36-10:8). God is looking down upon us. He has seen the pandemic has taken its toll and the falling of lathe and plaster has almost been like an exile. However He has sent his Son to journey with us in the form of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit draws us towards God and people are returning and offering their services. The next step is an enormous one – moving out of the hall and back into the church. There will be challenges and more, but together we will take our place back in the church ... there are many *benches* in my Father's house. We will be carried on eagles' wings and we will experience tenderness and love through our and others' goodness.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JUNE – We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. *Pray for improved health for Pope Francis.*

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

(25th June, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A)

Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Matt 10:26-33

PARISH INFORMATION

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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 10.00 and 11.15am (in Polish) at Sons of Divine Providence, Hampton Wick

Saturday	17 th June	The Immaculate Heart of Mary	9.30-11am 6pm	Adoration and confession Int Fr. Henryk Halman FDP
Sunday	18 th June	11 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners Fr. John Perrotta FDP RIP
Monday	19 th June	St Romuald, abbot	9.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	20 th June	St Alban, Martyr	9.30am	Malcolm Pereira (well being)
Wednesday	21 st June	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	9.30am	Gemma Miller RIP anniv
Thursday	22 nd June	Ss John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas Moore, Martyrs		Pray the rosary at home
Friday	23 rd June	St Ethelreda (Audrey), abbess Luigi Orione born Pontecurone 23 June 1872	9.30am	Sr. Xavier Turner SP RIP
Saturday	24 th June	The Nativity of John the Baptist	9.30-11am 6pm	Adoration and confession Mavis Hatchman RIP
Sunday	25 th June	12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Building works – Love in Action Parishioners



SACRED HEART, TEDDINGTON BENEFITS FROM ST. ANTHONY FEAST DAY GRACES AND BLESSINGS

Having submitted a request I was aware of a finance meeting that would have us on the agenda. I hadn't expected a speedy response, much less a favourable one. Thanks be to God we have received a positive decision. I will meet with the Diocesan fundraising representative on 27 June to discuss the way forward. What better news to receive and share for the Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. God is shining down upon us – a reward for our loving service in many ways as itemised on a separate page ...

I have written what is in effect a follow up from Sr. Silvana's visit and talk last Sunday leading into Love In Action programme. Our wonderful news is an opportunity to open our hearts and listen to what Jesus is inviting us to do. Please read it, pray with it, act on it.

PARISH MATTERS AND NEWS FROM THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

JUNE IS DEDICATED TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Let's each of us connect our heart to Jesus' Heart, asking the grace to be good and do good every day. Jesus prompt me today and every day ... what is my good deed for today ... help me to help others.

CONGRATULATIONS! to Mrs. Green, the staff, children, parents, families and all involved in the recent **GOOD** Ofsted outcome. The Ofsted report quotes a parent: *'The school sees each and every child as an individual. The fantastic sense of community within the school is amazing.'*

SACRED HEART SCHOOL NURSERY IN TEDDINGTON will be offering **EXTENDED NURSERY PROVISION FROM SEPT 2023** to those eligible for 30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE and to those SELF-FUNDED. Tours of the Nursery are welcomed – phone 02089776591 Contact info@sacredheart.richmond.sch.uk See banner outside Sacred Heart Church, Teddington promoting Sacred Heart School nursery

SEE THE NURSERY AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL Please visit https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8LE_OPbuVbM to watch a short video about the wonderful nursery provision at our parish school – ambitious for every child, warm and inclusive.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE – NEXT WEEK 20 June at 7pm. Email: Susanne teddingtoncat2@rcdow.org.uk; teddington@rcdow.org.uk

HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION Saturday 17th, 24th June and 1st July at 5pm, followed by Mass 6pm. Also candidates make sure you have completed your course work to date. First Holy Communion at St. Francis de Sales 15th July 12noon.

PARISH FINANCES – Thank you for support. Gift aid raises an extra 25% for parish finances. April: Standing Orders: £2,182; Sunday's loose plate: £140.15; **If you would like your Gift Aid Statement emailed to you this year (usually June or July), please email Traci with the subject 'Email Gift Aid Statement' from the email address we have on record for you, confirm your full name and postcode.** Email Traci: teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk. In office: Weds 12:30-4:30pm. Traci is now back from her holidays.

NEWCOMERS TO THE PARISH? Please introduce yourself to Fr. Stephen, or email teddington@rcdow.org.uk to register.

SUPPORT FOR THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE COMMUNITIES, UKRAINE Helping the poor and needy and/or disabled persons projects. Send payments to: EGIDIO MONTANARI, IBAN NO. IT59 C030 6901 6021 0000 0061 578; SWIFT CODE: BCITITMMXXX; BANK: SANPAOLO, Filiale 00352, Via Antonio da Messina, 24 – 20146 MILANO (MI)

THE BRIDGE MAGAZINE Easter issue now on-line www.sonsofdivineprovidence.org click **Support us** then **Publications**. Follow the link: <https://we.tl/t-cMsu9f4JFy> Hard copies now available. Enjoy!

SECOND COLLECTION: TODAY: DAY FOR LIFE This year the Day for Life seeks to highlight the trauma caused by abortion. The theme is "Listen to Her". The message, which is attached, is an invitation to listen to the voice and story of a young Catholic woman who was suffering after an abortion and found healing. For all resources, including the full message: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/> Thanks for your support. Yours fraternally in Christ, Bishop John Sherrington Love in action – pray for those affected by abortion

BEYOND OUR PARISH

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA 18th June Teddington Baptist Church Rev John Gleghorn; 25th June National Physics Laboratory Christian Fellowship Helen McEvoy; 2nd July Sons of Divine Providence Fr. Stephen Beale & Fr. Henryk Halman and community; 9th July Sacred Heart Church Fr. Stephen Beale; 16th July St John's Church Rev Jerry Field

FOODBANK St Michael's Church, Fulwell, Wilcox Road, Teddington TW11 OSP (07516935655 www.richmond.foodbank.org.uk) If you need help the foodbank is there for you. If you can donate - thank you for helping. **Food collection box in Sacred Heart Church hall.**

TWICKENHAM BRANCH OF CROSSLIGHT ADVICE CHARITY Provides **DEBT ADVISERS** and **FREE COURSES** about **MANAGING MONEY WELL**. More important than ever before. Courses: Wednesday 21st June 10am -12noon at Crossway Ctr, St Stephen's Church TW1, or available online: <https://www.themoneycourse.org>; See <https://www.crosslightadvice.org/twickenham-east>.

UNIVERSE NEWSPAPER DELIVERED TO YOUR DOOR. See poster / Tel: 07436 617650 michelle.jones@universecatholicweekly.co.uk

HOME AND ABROAD APPEALS FROM SO MANY CHARITIES To support - visit the www of your choice or posters. Thanks.

WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL CORONATION REFLECTIONS On Tues 20th June at 7.15pm Cardinal Vincent Nichols will speak and host speakers on the theme of Coronation Reflections. Full details: <https://tinyurl.com/CathedralFriends> Email friends@rcdow.org.uk

CARITAS WESTMINSTER –Sr. Silvana visited Sacred Heart Church Teddington to introduce the **Love In Action** programme for all. The aim is to better understand and promote the Social Teaching of the Church. We will explore Human Dignity, Community and Participation, Care for Creation, the Dignity of Workers, Solidarity and Peace and Preferential Option for the Poor. Topics will be drawn out through the Liturgy of the Word using the Sunday readings when the priest will expound these through the homily. We hope to develop Love in Action in the Autumn. Meanwhile, please pray and reflect. Open the door of your heart. Jesus, what do you want me to do?

RACIAL JUSTICE WEBINAR CBCEW will host a webinar to advance the work that has taken place around Racial Justice Sunday in recent years. The webinar will take place on **Tuesday 11th July 14.00 – 15.30** The webinar on July 11th will provide an opportunity for those working in the area of racial justice to learn from one another, share experiences and initiatives. Anyone can register for the event by following the link <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/webinar-racial-justice-in-the-church/> This year's resources *Walking Together, Praying Together, and Working Together*, which reflects on the role that each of us has in promoting the mission of Christ and His Church. <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/catholic-church-mary-jesus-posters-b2276590.html> Bishop Paul McAleenan

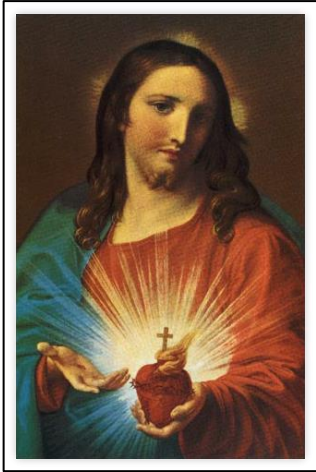
ST MARGARETS, IS SCREENING A MOVIE, THE LETTER, which is Pope Francis' encyclical on climate change and climate justice, subtitled "On Care for our Common Home" on **Tuesday, 27th June at 7.00 pm** at St Margarets Church, 130 St Margarets Road, Twickenham TW1 1RL.

FOR FURTHER POSTERS – news information and more, see the notices on doors and windows.

THE SACRED HEART CHURCH, TEDDINGTON (AND HAMPTON WICK)

PHASE ONE – REAWAKENING AFTER THE PANDEMIC

PHASE TWO – REACTIVATION - A YEAR ON FROM THE REAWAKENING, EVOLVING AS LOVE IN ACTION



Reactivation entails movement of the Holy Spirit within us, in and around our parish. There is a buzz in the air. People are chatting with each other and making newcomers and visitors feel welcome. There is a sense of joy. There is interest about what will happen in the future and questioning as to whether the necessary and proposed building works will go ahead ...

With gratitude and elation we can announce the golden buzzer has been pushed and the Diocese of Westminster has given the go ahead for a new ceiling and a new roof. Let us rejoice and be glad!



LOVE IN ACTION - WHAT WE DO ALREADY

- Welcoming community - people, caring for the immediate environment & nature
- Serving community – a wide variety of volunteer services, in-house and locally
- some limited formal and informal outreach to parishioners in their homes and to hospitals, bringing other needy parishioners to the shops or to and from Mass

HOW WE CAN IMPROVE – to identify the sick and create planned time to visit them in their homes / hospital

EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST – ask how to get DBS checked and to get trained to visit and/or bring Holy Communion

A LIST OF THINGS WE DO ALREADY

Serving community – a wide variety of volunteer services

- Cleaners – keeping all areas clean and tidy before Mass and after activities in the hall as they occur - ensuring supplies are updated
- Laundry – ensuring kitchen and church laundry are regularly changed, washed and returned for further use
- Hospitality - Welcomers - welcoming people who come to Mass and chatting together when people are leaving to go home, ushers who guide people to their seats, fire wardens, health and safety persons, first aiders – keeping eyes and ears open and offering assistance and/or initial response in case of emergency; distributors of newsletters, leaflets, magazines etc
- on-site preparation and serving of refreshments and clearing away and tidying away afterwards
- off-site purchasing of /preparation of food for refreshments and events
- Liturgy - altar servers, readers, offertory collectors, offertory counters, sacristans – preparing for Mass and clearing away afterwards

- Newsletters – volunteers who edit the latest newsletter in preparation for the coming week, who add new information, who edit drafts and forward final copy for printing and uploading onto the website. Volunteers who upload onto the and update the website. Distributors of newsletters, leaflets, magazines etc
- Music ministry – leaders, singers, instrumentalists; preparation on-site before Mass
- Music ministry – weekly sessions during the week preparing / rehearsing
- Catechists – Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, Confirmation
- Spirituality – Advent and Lenten topics – future retreats, pilgrimages
- Mission – home mission = in-house and locally; abroad mission = reaching out individually and as church community far and wide
- Notice boards are updated weekly to advertise events and promote charities near and far
- Gardening and grounds maintenance – presbytery garden and prayer garden, flower beds and planters in front of and to the side of the church building keeping grounds clean and tidy, change of seasonal bedding plants and hanging baskets, pruning of shrubs, watering as necessary and if permitted in times of drought
- Ecumenism – Churches Together in Teddington (and Hampton Wick) – attended by Sacred Heart clergy and lay people; clergy gathering every first Wednesday for lunchtime catch up
- Ecumenical events during the year – Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, charity events
- Finance – Parish Finance Committee – responsible for overseeing budgets, welfare, health and safety audits, fundraising, care of buildings
- Fundraising Committee – assisted by the Diocese of Westminster - responsible for helping the parish to seek and raise funds to pay for the now imminent replacement roof and ceiling, seeking grants, organising fundraising activities
- Parish Council – in gestation – are you ready to be invited and to offer your skills to be a part of the Parish Council? Ask the Holy Spirit the gift of wisdom and fortitude, self giving
- Safeguarding – Estella Weston – but everyone is responsible for understanding what safeguarding is – ensuring everyone is safe. Training is available for interested parties
- Bookkeeper (paid role) – Traci Blundell in post
- Parish Administrator (paid role) – pending references we expect soon to have filled this vacant post and make an announcement

WHAT WE DO ALREADY – many things consuming many volunteer hours;

HOW WE CAN IMPROVE – identify your interests and time available - be committed;

EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST – Welcome on board PRAY FOR LOVE IN ACTION PROJECT SUCCESS



How can parishioners help – right now?

From the heart, give thanks and praise to God for this outcome on 13 June 2023 - the feast of St Anthony of Padua - and let's open our hearts to see how we as individuals can help the parish, with our prayer, with our financial contributions, with our suggestions of who to ask, or make personal requests to people / organisations who may be willing and able to "donate to the Sacred Heart Church Teddington Roof And Ceiling Restoration Fund".

Our target will be to raise in excess of £500,000.00. Providence will provide in response to our faith, hope, trust and cooperation. May generosity restore this magnificent church.