



Sacred Heart, Teddington

# Parish Newsletter

13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2024

PRISONER SUNDAY

28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEK IV

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

**The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts more finely than any double-edged sword: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit. [...] Everything is uncovered and opened to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves ... (Mark 10:2-12)** Clergy are asked to get feedback from parishioners on their homily. Long time ago, when in Dublin, the Jesuits taught us using PCT: Homily content includes Priest – sharing something of himself; Congregation – connect with them according to age /situation; Text – base the homily on the text of the day. We must read the scriptural text/s, meditate, pray, contemplate and ask God how is the word speaking to me & to the people through me? We will discover God's will, not mine / yours ...

**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER** – We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and laity.

**OCTOBER: DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY.** Please pray the rosary daily, asking Our Lady to intercede for World Peace.

## THE SACRED HEART PARISH, TEDDINGTON AND HAMPTON WICK

**THE WESTMINSTER CLERGY** attended an afternoon listening to the lead up to the revised lectionary as of first Sunday of Advent, and a talk on preparing homilies to make them interesting and relevant. It was an opportunity for me during supper to meet some clergy and thank them for supporting our building works. Cardinal Vincent Nichols follows with interest and sends us his blessing.

**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS.** Make yourselves known: as a parish we wish to make you feel welcome! **Thanks for your warm welcome last Sunday for Fr. Robert McCullough, Columban Mission Society,** and for your prayerful and financial support for the Pakistan project [www.seh-hyderabad.pk](http://www.seh-hyderabad.pk) he spoke of during Masses. He said we are a vibrant community.

**BUILDING WORKS UPDATE** The access into the hall is through a temporary wheelchair-accessible side entrance to the right of the church. Scaffolding is ever increasing. Our daily activities continue as usual. We are doing our best to ensure "people safety."

**BUILDING WORKS VOLUNTEER SUB-COMMITTEE SHOUT OUT** - we are asking for volunteers – how can you help? Please tell us.

**FOR PLEDGE PAYMENTS** please include: payment reference: **BF + Surname & Initials.** *Please make contributions by cash, cheque or bank transfer to avoid deductions taken through QR code. **Soon we will be able to update you verbally and let you see the updated six monthly accounts for a more complete picture.*** Pledge forms and gift aid forms are available in the hall. **Thank you.**

**REMEMBER THE SACRED HEART CHURCH TEDDINGTON BUILDING FUND AS A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL** (In the event all expenses are paid, we will send this money to the diocese Trinity fund to help other parishes in need, as we have been helped). Remember on-going parish maintenance as a legacy in your will. If you or those you know wish to make a pledge, tell me.

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

Sacred Heart also offers an **EXTENDED NURSERY PROVISION** to those eligible for 15/30 HOURS FREE CHILDCARE and to those who are SELF-FUNDED. We are happy to show you around so please do arrange a visit. [Short video of our Nursery setting.](#)

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP SET UP AT MASS ON SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY 11.15 MASSES** More helpers needed - please submit your name to go on a rota and also readers needed on a rota for Saturday evening.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025** Signing up now. **CLOSING DATE SUN 8<sup>TH</sup> DEC ;**

**CONFIRMATION 2025 sign up now** Contact parish office [teddington@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddington@rcdow.org.uk) for forms. Course dates to follow.

**CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE** It is now time for current yr 6 pupils transitioning into Secondary School in 2025. I will be holding informal open evenings 6pm-7.30pm, where parents can come and see me with their child/ren with the forms to be completed and signed. Pre-book for Wednesdays 23 October; Tuesdays 15 & 29 October [teddington@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddington@rcdow.org.uk)

**PARISH FINANCES – Thank you for supporting The Sacred Heart.** August S.O. £2,207; Contactless £90; On-line £160. Last Sunday's plate collection £147.27; Gift aid raises an extra 25% for parish finances. To gift aid your donations, **One-off donations for Mass intentions or other offerings can be gift-aided using the blue envelopes in the hall.** Please tell us if your details change. Thanks.

**THIS SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION:** For **PRISONERS SUNDAY PACT** and 20 October **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.**

**FUNERAL 2pm on Tuesday 15 October** of Virginia Tacey RIP at St. Francis de Sales, Hampton Hill. Condolences for family & friends.

**SUPPORT FOR THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE COMMUNITIES:** Helping SDP UKRAINE 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) **PLEASE PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE.**

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS, WELCOMERS, READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND STEWARDS** needed for Saturday 6pm Mass and Sunday 11.15 Mass – please see Fr Stephen, Megan or Estella. New Catechists needed for First Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA. See Margaret & Fr. Stephen or email [teddington@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddington@rcdow.org.uk) Be not afraid – materials and training given.

**OCTOBER 2024 BLACK HISTORY MONTH:** an annual observance dedicated to recognising and celebrating the contribution, history, culture and achievements of people of African descent. We celebrate just a few of these men and women – some already canonised, others on the path to sainthood as Venerable or Blessed. **Saint Kizito; Saint Matthew Ayariga; Blessed Michael Iwene Tansi; Venerable Pierre Toussaint; Sister Thea Bowman; Saint Josephine Bakhita.** Google these and pray for their intercession.

**CARDINAL VINCENT NICHOLS ASKS PRAYERS FOR WORLD PEACE. THIS WEEKEND THERE IS A PASTORAL LETTER CONCERNING "ASSISTED SUICIDE."** Find the letter on the diocesan website. Life issues have wider implications if not following God's Law of Love.

**ART AND DYING WELL** [Catholic Church in England and Wales https://www.cbcew.org.uk](https://www.cbcew.org.uk) **Monday 14 October 2024** 6:30pm – 7:45pm. **The Exchange Theatre, 75 London Rd, Twickenham, TW1 1BE** Throughout history, art and music have allowed cultures to explore the question of what happens after death. Join us for an evening discovering how art has enabled us to grapple with one of life's most fundamental questions: **what lies beyond**. Host: Shelagh Fogarty; Distinguished guest speakers and Q&A session. See poster in hall.

**VOTE ON ASSISTED SUICIDE IN PARLIAMENT BEFORE CHRISTMAS.** Catherine Robinson [catherine@righttolife.org.uk](mailto:catherine@righttolife.org.uk) writes: Sadly, I am getting in touch as we are about to face a very big battle on assisted suicide. Labour MP Kim Leadbeater announced last week that she will be tabling an assisted suicide Bill in the House of Commons. As Kim Leadbeater came first in the Private Members' Bill ballot, it is now very likely that we will be facing a **Vote On Assisted Suicide In Parliament Before Christmas**. To have conversations with your friends and family on this issue, highly recommend is a recent BBC documentary on assisted suicide, [Better Off Dead?](https://www.bbc.com/news/health-67890). Watch actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, *Better Off Dead?* where she examines the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws in Canada. **Watch for free online** (you do not need a TV licence): [righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead](https://righttolife.org.uk/betteroffdead)

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA** 13th Oct, Sacred Heart Church, Fr. Stephen; 20th Oct, Hampton Wick Baptist Church, Sandra Kimber; 27th Oct, Christ Church, Rev Dominic Stockford; 3rd Nov, St Michael's Church, Rev Ed Kendall

**XVI ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD** Rome from 2 – 27 October Live & updates on Vatican website, EWTN, YouTube.

**DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER** • Legacy gifts are often the most significant donation you will ever make. [legacies@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:legacies@rcdow.org.uk), or call us on **020 7798 9025**. Thank you

**DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER Retreat for Catechists** at Welwyn Garden City on **Saturday 19th October** – see hall poster.

Follow this link to see document: <https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2024/07/09/240709d.html>

**ELLERAY HALL CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH 2024** To nominate guests and/or to volunteer / to see list of 'what and when' tasks see posters in hall or for more info John Lunt (07503 584532). Let's involve parish youth / families.

**FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** Friends of the Holy Land is an apolitical and ecumenical charity, helping to support Christians in the Holy Land and to develop a resilient and enduring Christian community there. <https://www.friendsoftheholylnd.org.uk/>

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN) LEBANON** : Churches helping those displaced by air strikes. Donate: google: acnuk.org Thank you

**HELPING THE HOMELESS: THE PASSAGE** St. Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place SW1P 1NL **Donation Summary: £25** a week helps fund support for an individual to prevent experiencing homelessness; **£75** could pay for emergency accommodation; **£150** could pay for a new bed for a newly resettled person. **Please visit** [www.passage.org.uk/donate](http://www.passage.org.uk/donate) or tel: 02075921850 email: [supportercare@passage.org.uk](mailto:supportercare@passage.org.uk)

**SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2025 OPEN EVENINGS** Please refer to posters in the hall or go on-line to your preferred schools.

#### SOURCES OF HELP

- Foodbank at St Michael's Fulwell, Wilcox Road, TW11 0SP (07516 935 655 or [www.richmondfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.richmondfoodbank.org.uk))
- Crosslight debt and money management advice, St Stephen's TW1 ([www.crosslightadvice.org/twickenham-east](http://www.crosslightadvice.org/twickenham-east))
- Energy bills: see National Energy Action's advice service at <https://www.nea.org.uk/get-help/> or call their helpline 0800 304 7159
- National Domestic Abuse helpline: 0808 2000 247. Affected by domestic abuse? Faith-based counselling: [nikkidhillonk@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:nikkidhillonk@rcdow.org.uk)
- Society For The Protection Of The Unborn Child (SPUC) Threats against LIFE in E&W – see <https://www.spuc.org.uk/>
- PACT Prisoners Advise and Care Trust – [www.prisonadvice.org.uk](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk); [www.prisonadvice.org.uk/events](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/events) Pray 4 prisoners & their families
- Local Charity Embracing Age are looking for volunteers to befriend care home residents across the Borough of Richmond. Involves having a chat, reading aloud, connecting with residents in other languages. Email [shabnum@embracingage.org.uk](mailto:shabnum@embracingage.org.uk) or call 07422 502957.
- SPEAR (Kingston & Richmond) 30 years supporting from homelessness to independence. Report a rough sleeper [www.spearlondon.org](http://www.spearlondon.org)
- Mary's Meals [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk) Poster in hall. **OTHER CHARITY APPEALS** Many to choose from. Please see posters in hall

**NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS**  
**20th October**  
**(29th Sunday in Ordinary**  
**Time, Year B)**  
Isa 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16  
Mark 10:35-45

#### PARISH INFORMATION

**Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator**

Parish administrator: Phillippa Chaney, in the office Mon and Fri, 10am-2pm

Parish website (including newsletter: <https://sacredheartteddington.org/>

Email: [teddington@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddington@rcdow.org.uk), Telephone: 020 8977 2986

Bookkeeper: Traci: [teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk) In office: Weds 10.30am-2.30pm

**Safeguarding: Estella Weston** ([teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk))

**Mass times:** Sunday: 9.30am and 11.15am; Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.30am at Sacred Heart or at Sons of Divine Providence Monday to Friday rosary 6pm, Mass 6.30pm; **Divine Mercy devotions first Sunday 2.30pm-3.30pm** (St. Edward's Hall, 13 Lower Teddington Rd, Hampton Wick, KT1 4EU)

#### Next week's Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	12th October	St Wilfred, Bishop	9.30-11am 6pm	Adoration and Confession For world peace
<b>Sunday</b>	13th October	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Spiritual & material help - building works Parishioners
<b>Monday</b>	14th October	St Callistus I, Pope, Martyr	9.30am	Special intention
<b>Tuesday</b>	15th October	St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin Doctor of the Church	9.30am	Daphne Pereira birthday intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	16th October	St Hedwig, Religious St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin	9.30am	Antony Sewell (get well)
<b>Thursday</b>	17th October	St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr	No Mass	Pray the rosary for World Peace / LIFE
<b>Friday</b>	18th October	St Luke, Evangelist	9.30am	Sr. Peter SP RIP anniv
<b>Saturday</b>	19th October	Ss John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests & Companions St Paul of the Cross, Priest	9.30-11am 6pm	Adoration and Confession Special intention
<b>Sunday</b>	20th October	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.15am	Paulette Rogers RIP Parishioners