



Sacred Heart Teddington

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Parish Newsletter



19TH APRIL 2026 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER HOLY HOUR SUNDAY @SACRED HEART 4.30-5.30PM WEEK III

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

[On the road to Emmaus 7 miles from Jerusalem] 'Stay with us, for it is evening and the day is now far spent.' So he went to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread, and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. (John 20:19-31)

The disciples would remember the Last Supper – the same Jewish ritual, except Jesus, foreseeing his death and resurrection, told them “this is my body”, “this is my blood”. The sacrifice was for love of humanity then, today and until the end of time. Whenever you do this, do it in memory of me.” The Jewish people do not believe in the resurrection. Many Christians do not believe either. For those who do believe, we will experience life in this world and everlasting life in the next ... taking our place in heaven. Lord help me to believe ... JOY!

POPE LEO XIV PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL – For priests in crisis Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

THE SACRED HEART PARISH, TEDDINGTON AND HAMPTON WICK and THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE NEWS

A WARM WELCOME TO THE SACRED HEART CHURCH – Come and enjoy our Masses and be part of our community, we welcome you warmly. If you have any questions, feel free to speak to our Parishioners or myself after Mass. Please be advised that for security reasons for our team members, may I ask that all depart promptly from the Church after weekday Masses – as the Narthex area usually remains open until 6pm, please continue to pray if you wish – thanking you for your understanding in this matter. Saturday and Sunday we arrange for the tea and coffee to be served in the side hall – so please take this opportunity to gather together.

CHURCH LIFE: Last weekend we saw the return of the tea and coffee after Masses in our side hall – this works very well, and it is nice to have a buzz of people in there again. Let's keep this up! Please feel free to drop in biscuit donations or home-made little cakes (no nuts) / something savoury if you wish – its lovely to share and have a little gathering. We have lots of news on our poster board – please take the time to glance your eye over what is new and upcoming. The date for Baptism preparation has been stated below – please spread the word - it's a lovely interactive evening for parents and godparents – save the date. Have a good week everyone!

There are open days for the 'Gardens' at Hampton Court Palace on these dates – make a note and pack a picnic (no need to book tickets for the gardens!) 9th & 10th May, 12th & 13th Sept, 10th & 11th Oct, 21st & 22nd November and 26th December (Wilderness Garden only).

FOOD BANK BOX: In the church – thanks for your kind donations. We recently supported a family with the food bank items collected and gave some Tesco vouchers. By the St. Anthony statue there is a box for food and clothing donations for Teddington families in need. With this money we will buy Tesco vouchers for food & clothing. We also have a list of organisations to help with bills etc.

HIRE THE HALL: If it's for children's birthday parties, Baptism receptions, or a group that you run that you need a larger space for – then please contact Pippa in the office to check availability and pricing. (Saturdays, if available, can currently work 11.30am – 3.30pm)

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA: Whilst we love the children playing, please could we encourage quieter time during Mass. We struggle with the microphones sometimes vs good acoustics, and we are all there for Prayer and Spiritual well-being for everyone –thank you kindly.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING: The next preparation evening will take place on the 4th June at 7pm – 8.30pm. Please email Pippa if you would like to attend. Godparents to attend as well please.

BIKE GOING ON eBAY: We have decided that after only one offer on the lovely bike – we shall try and see if we can raise more through eBay – please could someone help Pippa do this? Please have a chat with her – thank you.

ALPHA 2026: Parish group two will meet 22 April in the hall at 7.30pm (tea & cakes). Theme “How can I tell others.” See you there!

RCIA: If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, please come forward. We will give you some initial guidance and support. We are taking names for the next RCIA course that is expected to start in September. Candidates please attend Mass & get to know parishioners.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next Sunday: Priest Training Fund 26th April (**Vocations Sunday/World Day of Prayer for Vocations**)

UP & COMING SECOND COLLECTION: Catholic Communications Sunday 17/05/26; Day for Life 21/6/26; Peter's Pence 28/6/26

PARISH FINANCES – Thank you for supporting The Sacred Heart. March S.O. £3,339.00; Contactless: £364.00; Building Fund Standing Order £893.00; Last Sunday's plate collection £245.41 Please consider making a standing order for your weekly contribution? We sent £150.00 to Cardinal's Lent Appeal and £38.00 to Missio. Collection box at St. Anthony: SDP missions; Missio; Teddington needy.

GIFT AID claim for the 2024/25 tax year raised £12,491.25. Thank you to all of our gift aiders. If you are a taxpayer and do not already gift aid your donations, please consider it. Gift aid earns an extra 25% for parish. Standing order and gift aid forms are available at the back of the church. Tell your friends! Monthly standing orders are the easiest and most efficient way to support your parish financially. Thanks to all of you who Gift Aid to the parish or building fund – Gift Aid makes a difference. Ask Traci: teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk

PLEDGES We need more pledges for our building fund to help reduce the loan when repayments begin. Pledge and updated gift aid forms are available in the church or contact the parish office. Use BF + Surname & Initials as the reference - all building fund payments.

REMEMBER THE SACRED HEART CHURCH TEDDINGTON BUILDING FUND AS A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL For church's Building Fund and on-going parish maintenance as a legacy in your will. Legacy gifts: legacies@rcdow.org.uk, Info: Laura Dudhee **020 7798 9159**

SACRED HEART CHURCH IS OPEN daily 8am-6pm with side ramp access. Please come and Pray in the narthex area. During the cold weather please be mindful to **keep heat in**. Leave outside main door and ramp door open slightly. Keep inner red doors closed. Thanks.

NEXT PADRE PIO READING GROUP will be on May 4th starting with Mass. See parish notice board or contact Jacinta on 07859998309

SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE WEEKDAY MASS: Rosary 6.30pm; Mass 6.50pm; free 'on-the-street' car parking after 6.30pm

HOLY HOUR FOR THE DIGNITY OF LIFE: TODAY Sunday 19 April – 4:30pm – 5.30pm Join with the Bishops of England and Wales to pray a Holy Hour for the dignity of all human life as peers in the House of Lords continue to debate whether to make Assisted Suicide law.

On Sunday, 19 April at 4:30 pm (UK time), the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales will hold a Holy Hour to pray for the promotion of a culture of life in our lands. *Let's pray for the dignity and protection of life from it's natural conception until its natural end. Sacred Heart today.*

SACRED HEART SCHOOL NURSERY Sacred Heart Nursery has places for up to 26 children aged 3-4 years. Why not come along to our Nursery Stay and Play Sessions or take a tour during February and March. Applications are now open for September 2026, January 2027 intake. Sacred Heart School Nursery offers an excellent teacher-led Early Years provision.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA 19th April St Francis de Sales Church Rev Shaun Church; 26th April Teddington Methodist Church Rev David Innes *For a rewarding and renewing sabbatical*; 3rd May Sacred Heart Church Rev Stephen Beale; 10th May National Physical Laboratory Christian Fellowship Helen McEvoy; 17th May St John's Church Rev Jerry Field; 24th May Teddington Baptist Church Rev Johnathan Findlater; 31st May Sons of Divine Providence Rev Stephen Beale & community.

GRADUATE COURSES - Institutum Liturgicum (IL) 2026: Our summer schools offer a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the study of Liturgy, Syriac, Biblical Hebrew, and Latin, guided by exceptional tutors within a vibrant and supportive academic community. Rooted in tradition yet alive to contemporary practice, these courses are especially enriching for those engaged in the visual and devotional arts. You might be especially interested in our Liturgical Theology & Arts course, which explores the relationship between worship, theology, and artistic practice. Please see the form at the back of the Church for further details.

MARRIAGE SUPPORT: From relationships that are 'Just in a Rut', needing some refreshment or more serious issues - If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get their relationship back on track as they rediscovered hope and trust in the marriage. To find out more: www.retrouvaille.org.uk +44 797 338 0443

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 23rd May 2026 at 2:30pm. Archbishop Richard is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2026. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and contact email (telephone number, if no email).

SUNDAY MAY 17TH - A PILGRIM WALK TO TYBURN! Come and honour the memory of the martyrs who died at London's grim execution site in the 16th and 17th centuries. Meet 1.30pm churchyard of St Giles-in-the-Fields. Nearest tube: Tottenham Court Road.

VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN (20S AND 30S) - DISCERNING GOD'S CALL IN YOUR LIFE: 15th - 17th May, Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to live alongside the religious community and to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them. For more info contact Sr Lynne fcj at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org To register: <https://bit.ly/Vocation2026>

A DAY WITH MARY PILGRIMAGES: This coming year - Pilgrimage to Fatima (8 July to 15 July 2026) Closing date 28 April 2026 Pilgrimage to Italy (1 September to 10 September 2026) Closing date 23 June 2026 Further info is available at www adaywithmary.org/
THE SUNFLOWER CAFÉ: A welcoming drop-in session for families of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disability (SEND) – please see printed poster at the back of the Church.

SUPPORT THE SONS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE COMMUNITIES: Helping SDP UKRAINE projects. 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) *I have checked and this contact and method of transfer is still working.*

FR. PAOLO BIDONE FDP RIP Fr. Paul Bidone, after an initial Sons of Divine Providence presence in Wales with Italian migrants during WWII was the founder of SDP in UK and Dublin. He was an entrepreneur and thanks to him we acquired the patrimony we held until recently when we pulled out of residential care and of being a social housing landlord. We pray that Fr. Paul will inspire us today in our UK parish work.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
27th April
(4th Sunday of Easter, Year A)

Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Pet 2:20b-25
John 10:1-10

PARISH INFORMATION

Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator

Parish administrator: Phillippa Chaney, in the office Mon and Fri, 9am-3pm

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

Email: teddington@rcdow.org.uk, Telephone: 020 8977 2986

Bookkeeper: Traci: teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk In office: Weds 10.30am-2.30pm

Safeguarding: Estella Weston (teddingtonsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk)

Mass times: Sunday: 09.30/11.15am; Mon-Wed, Fri: 9.30am at Sacred Heart or at Sons of Divine

Providence Monday to Friday rosary 6.30pm, Mass 6.50pm; **Divine Mercy Sunday devotions:**

first Sunday SDP Chapel, 2.30pm-3.30pm (23 Lower Teddington Rd, Hampton Wick, KT1 4EU)

Next week's Mass Intentions

Saturday	18 th April	Weekday of Easter	09.30-11am 6.00 pm	Confession & Adoration Philip Hartney RIP anniv
Sunday	19 th April	3 rd Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Int Marie and Jean Blanc
Monday	20 th April	Weekday of Easter	9.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	21 st April	St Anselm, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	09.30am	Brian Andrews RIP
Wednesday	22 nd April	Weekday of Easter	09.30am	Mrs. Patricia O'Donoghue RIP
Thursday	23 rd April	St George, Martyr, Patron of England	No Mass	Pray the rosary for World Peace
Friday	24 th April	St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest, Martyr St Adalbert, Bishop, Martyr	09.30am	Priscilla McHugh RIP
Saturday	25 th April	St Mark, Evangelist	09.30-11am 6.00 pm	Confession & Adoration Denis George Burrows RIP anniv
Sunday	26 th April	4 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Marie Finch RIP