



Sacred Heart Teddington

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Parish Newsletter



17TH MAY 2026

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

COMMUNICATION SUNDAY

WEEK III

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said 'Father the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. [...] I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given to me, for they are yours. All mine are yours and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.' (John 17:1-11a). How amazing to know that we give glory to Jesus through our good works. God's Spirit is in my heart, he has called me and set me apart ...

Lord show me what I have to do ... Help me to be more consistent in my prayer, that I may hear you and know your will for me & DO IT!

POPE LEO XIV PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY – That everyone might have food Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

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. Join us for tea/coffee/chatting after weekend Masses. Please depart promptly from the Church after weekday Masses – the Narthex area remains open for prayer until 6pm.

CHURCH LIFE: Congratulations to all 14 children who made their First Holy Communion Sacrament on Saturday – may the Holy Spirit travel with them as they continue their faith journey. We are hoping that they will sign up for some duties within the Church and become a solid part of our community. **Hall improvements** are really progressing well. Thank you for your continued patience. As always, we are all working together, moving, rearranging and putting back as best we can. We have 7 upcoming baptisms in the next month, so please pray for the little ones and their families – and we give thanks to God that we are so busy with Baptisms.

Weekend after Mass refreshments are still in the Narthex for the time being – possibly for another month, Let's see how things pan out. **DIARY DATES: Parish Feast Day weekend celebration:** Friday 12 June Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – Masses 09.30 and 7.30pm; Saturday Adoration and confession 09.30-11.00 Come and pray as a family. Mass 6.00pm; Sunday 14 June one Mass only at 10.00a.m. only, in thanksgiving for one year since we reopened, and for all who received the Sacraments during the year, followed by a 'bring and share' tea/coffee, Prosecco, biscuits, cakes reception in the hall. We look forward to a nice little spread. We can go outside if the weather is good. Let Pippa know your thoughts and offers of help!

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.

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 teddington@rcdow.org.uk if you would like to attend. Godparents to attend as well please.

ALPHA 2026: Please spread the word for candidates that may wish to join the next group. Pls see details at the back of Church. **Living Waters** is a weekly Wednesday follow up to Alpha, deepening our faith & love for God by listening to the Word of God and his Holy Spirit. We did a lectio divina: Reading a passage of scripture; choose a meaningful word or sentence without reflecting on it; read again choose again a phrase or word and meditate on it; read a 3rd time and contemplate – listening for God to speak; Action: what God wants me to do. The exercise can be done alone or as a group. We discovered the richness of doing together and sharing the 'God / Spirit experience'

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.

THANK YOU: Priest Training Fund 26th April: £763.06 plus Gift Aid - £196.76; projected total £953.82 – thank you for your generosity. This is money received through the parish and thank you to others who may have sent donations directly to the diocese.

THIS WEEKS SECOND COLLECTION: Catholic Communications Network 17th May. **NEXT SECOND COLLECTION:** Day for Life 21st June

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 £341.93 Please consider making a standing order for your weekly contribution?

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 Juste: 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.

SACRED HEART ANNUAL FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2025 is now available. See the notice board and take away a copy if you wish.

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.

POPE LEO XIV Vatican News Including initiatives for world peace, <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city.html>
ARCHBISHOP RICHARD MOTH [Archbishop Moth prioritises mission in post-plenary press conference - Catholic Bishops' Conference](#) Rosary for Life with Archbishop John Wilson

CHESTNUT SUNDAY: The Royal Parks charity has announced this will become a biennial event due to resource limitations. Next event 2027.

BOOKS & BAKES: Saturday May 30th 2pm - 4pm **Bullen Hall**, Bennet Close, Hampton Wick KT1 4AT The Hampton Wick Association invites everyone to come together for a relaxed, welcoming afternoon of books, cakes and conversation Books & Bakes is a free, drop-in event for everyone: families, children, neighbours and friends, where all ages are warmly welcome. The idea is simple: bring along one to five books to swap. It might be a much-loved children's book, a novel you've finished, or a cookbook you return to often. All genres are welcome, and there are no rules about what you can bring or take. The aim is to encourage discovery, conversation and an easy exchange of stories. Alongside the book swap, we'll be creating a Recipes of Hampton Wick pin-up board. Anyone who wishes can bring a favourite recipe, written on any piece of paper, and pin it up for others to photograph and keep. This will form a small shared collection of recipes that reflects the people, families and traditions that make up Hampton Wick.

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)

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: 17th May St John's Church Rev Jerry Field; 24th May Teddington Baptist Church Rev. Johnathan Findlater; 31st May Sons of Divine Providence; 7th June St Mark's Church Rev Thomas Simpson; 14th June Salvation Army Majors Maria Konti-Galinou & Polis Pantelidis; 21st June Teddington Memorial Hospital Emma Hughes; 28th June Hampton Wick Baptist Church Rev Grantham Wash; 5th July Christ Church Rev Dominic Stockford; 12th July St Michael's Church Rev Ed Kendall.

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.

DAY WITH MARY Pilgrimage to Italy (1 - 10 September 2026) Closing date 23 June 2026 Further info 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.

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

FEAST OF ST. LUIGI ORIONE (1872-1940) He is the Founder of The Sons of Divine Providence Congregation, that today is present in more than 30 countries worldwide. The feast day is celebrated annually 16 May following his Canonisation in Rome 2004 by St. Pope John Paul II. In UK, having withdrawn from residential care services and social housing provider, we continue to wave the flag within 7 parishes, 3 in the south and 4 in the north that we administer on behalf of the Westminster and Liverpool dioceses. Please pray we may "do good always."

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

24th May

(Pentecost, Year A)

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13;
John 20:19-23

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: Juste: teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk In office: Tuesdays 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:** every 1st Sunday SDP Chapel, 2.30pm-3.30pm (23 Lower Teddington Rd, Hampton Wick, KT1

Next week's Mass Intentions

Saturday	16 th May	Feast Day of St. Luigi Orione	09.30-11am 12 noon 6.00 pm	Confession & Adoration First Holy Communion Mass SDP: Int. FODO family & friends
Sunday	17 th May	7 th Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.15am	Int Parishioners and benefactors Int Nora Kellegher
Monday	18 th May	St John I, Pope, Martyr	09.30am	Cathy Taylor RIP anniv
Tuesday	19 th May	St Dunstan, Bishop	09.30am	James Devitt (sick)
Wednesday	20 th May	St Bernardine of Siena, Priest Religious, missionary	09.30am	Bob Haig RIP
Thursday	21 st May	Ss Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and companions, Martyrs	NO MASS	Pray rosary: world peace & justice
Friday	22 nd May	St Rita of Cascia, Religious	09.30am	Edmund Lee RIP anniv
Saturday	23 rd May	7 TH Weekday of Easter	09.30-11am 6.00 pm	Confession & Adoration Bob Allan RIP anniv
Sunday	24 th May	Pentecost	9.30am 11.15am	Thanksgiving for FHC & Confirmation candidates Peter Alan Read RIP