



Sacred Heart Teddington

sacredheartteddington.org

Parish Newsletter



21ST JUNE 2026

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – FATHER’S DAY – DAY FOR LIFE

WEEK IV

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

Jeremiah said: I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side! ‘Denounce him, say all my close friends, watching for my fall. ‘Perhaps he will be deceived; then we will overcome him and take our revenge on him.’ But the Lord is with me as a dread warrior; therefore, my persecutors will stumble; they will not overcome me. (Jer 20:10-13) Jeremiah is a type of Christ – both suffered for righteous sake. We don’t wish to suffer but God permits our suffering. Suffering purifies us and heals us. It strengthens our faith and enables us to help others who suffer in the same way as we do. Each of us is called and chosen according to God’s will, to bear a particular cross. It’s our highway into heaven (St. Carlo Acutis.) Have faith, be strong, trust in God. Pray a lot and God’s grace will suffice.

POPE LEO XIV PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE – For the values of sport Let us pray that sport may be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

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 NEWS: What a fantastic celebration weekend we had! The Church was full and everyone was in good spirits! Thank you so much for everyone coming together and making the weekend go so smoothly, and for all the yummy treats and drinks that we shared. Then at the last moment I was given a lovely rose with the apt name of “Blessing”! The hall looks brilliant after redecoration; the rotten window frames have been repaired in the ally towards the side hall; the brick pavers have been re-laid; the meter housing has been restored, and the lower render plinth has been re-plastered and a good coat of bitumen applied. Lovely job! New gutters coming soon. There have been further tweaks made to the pipe organ. Whoopie for the loop system that should now be receiving LOUD and CLEAR. We hosted The Catholic primary school teachers Mass on Friday – with 7 schools in attendance – we give thanks to these individuals who have chosen their vocation in life to teach the little ones – to guide, strengthen, nurture and encourage.

Congratulations – Last weekend little Jacob was Baptised, and this weekend Nylah and Kaylan and little Goldie – “Loving God, Giver of all life, we pray for the parents and godparents of these and all the newly baptised, children. Bestow upon them the grace, wisdom, & understanding to guide these little ones by word and example. May they be the first and best teachers of the faith, leading them to live a life of strength, righteousness, joy, and peace. Amen” May we all be good witnesses of God’s infinite love handed down through baptism.

PLANNED GIVING DIRECT DEBITS: It has come to light that some parishioners have not had their very kind monthly donations processed by the bank regarding the payment date. Please may I be so bold as to ask you check the status of your direct debits and if it hasn’t been processed to contact Juste on the bookkeeper email ... renewed thanks for your generosity and sorry for inconvenience.

SUNDAY’S 11.15AM CHOIR NEEDS YOU: We sing weekly at the 11.15 am Sunday Mass. Twice monthly and on special days we sing parts of the Mass in Latin, along with a motet or chant. Why not join us? It’s a free and easy way to build music and language skills - no experience needed. All ages welcome (children come with a parent) See John & Binny / 07940 167274 binnyandjohn@btinternet.com

CHILDREN’S PLAY AREA: We love the children presence: **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.

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 listened to a talk on Gifts of the Holy Spirit and then did an exercise to discover our God given gifts. Action: Identify gifts: help others. The exercise can be done alone or as a group. Let’s accept the challenge for all parishioners to the questionnaire. You’ll be amazed. Try it!

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.

NEXT SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend Day for Life 21st June. **UP & COMING COLLECTION:** Peter’s Pence 28th June.

PARISH FINANCES – Thank you for supporting The Sacred Heart. May S.O. £4,257; Contactless: £303.00; Building Fund Standing Order £890.00; Last Sunday’s plate collection £277.96 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.

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 hot weather please be mindful to **keep heat out.** Leave outside main door and ramp door open slightly. Keep inner red doors closed. Thanks.

POPE LEO XIV OFFERS PRAYERS FOR PARENTS WHO HAVE LOST A CHILD IN 'DAY FOR LIFE' MESSAGE: The Secretary of State for the Holy See, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, has sent Archbishop John Sherrington a message from Pope Leo XIV to express the Holy Father's prayerful good wishes to all celebrating Day for Life on Sunday 21 June 2026. The Holy Father, His Eminence writes, "was pleased to learn of the theme chosen for this year, focused on the wonder of the full humanity of the child in the womb, as well as of your efforts to support mothers and fathers who have suffered the loss of an infant."

CARDINAL ERNEST SIMONI TROSHANI known as a 'living martyr' for his three decades in prison and forced labour under the communist dictatorship in Albania, is making a pastoral visit to the Albanian Catholic community in the UK. At the age of 97, His Eminence celebrated evening Mass on 12 June in Westminster Cathedral to share his testimony of faith, forgiveness and perseverance in God's everlasting love.

ASSISTED DYING RETURNS TO PARLIAMENT AS MP URGES PEERS TO 'FINISH THE JOB': Do Protect Life – please contact your local MP

THREE-DAY CATECHISTS' COURSE, AUTUMN 2026: In September and October the Catechesis Support team will be running a three-day course for catechists in Vaughan House, Westminster. This course will take place over three Saturdays (12 and 26 September & 17 October), from 10am-4pm (4.30pm on the 17th October), and catechists do need to come to all three days as we shall be covering different material each day. The course is free and open to all current and prospective catechists in the diocese, however new or experienced they might be. Please bring a packed lunch. We ask that all attendees book in advance to say that they will attend all three days. More information and the booking form can be found by visiting <https://rcdow.org.uk/catechists-course/> **see poster at the back to scan QR code**

FREE WILL & GRACE: 28 - 31 August 2026. Join us for a theological and philosophical deep dive on one of the great themes of the Christian Faith: human freedom and Divine grace. With lectures and workshops building on St Thomas Aquinas' writings, the course will also explore questions of conscience and the problem of evil. This year's guest speaker Rev. Dr Simon Gaine, OP.

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/free-will-grace-course/>

DANGERS OF THE RIVERS: The RNLI's Matt Allchurch says: "Please be aware of the dangers of jumping into the River Thames during the hot weather and share this information widely! ⚠️ Cold water shock ⚠️ Hidden objects ⚠️ Boats that may not see you.

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: 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

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.*

JUNE 23 marks the birthday in 1872 of a baby boy named **Luigi Orione** in Pontecurone, Italy. In May for the Marian devotions, many flowers were placed in the parish church and they died naturally, but one rose remained. The elders recognised it as a sign of special grace. Luigi was to be the founder of a religious congregation named The Sons of Divine Providence. After his death 12 March 1940, he would be proclaimed a Saint by Pope John Paul II 16 May 2004. St. Luigi Orione is known as a father of the poor and a benefactor of the suffering and the outcast. His motto "to do good always, good to all, harm no-one. **JUNE 24** A day after his birth, Luigi was baptised in the parish church St. John the Baptist.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

28th June

(Ss Peter and Paul Apostles, Year A)

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18
Matt 16:13-19

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	20 th June	St Alban, Martyr	09.30-11.00 6pm	Holy Hour and confessions Catherine Ridler int and Bob Haig RIP
Sunday	21 st June	12 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	09.30am 11.15am	Gemma Miller RIP anniv Parishioners and benefactors
Monday	22 nd June	Ss John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs	09.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	23 rd June	St Ethelreda (Audrey), abbess	09.30am	Del Mary Spooner (get well)
Wednesday	24 th June	The Nativity of St John the Baptist	09.30am	Leslie P. Franz RIP anniv
Thursday	25 th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass	Jane Rebello (get well)
Friday	26 th June	Weekday in Ordinary Time	09.30am	Kaushika Patel (get well)
Saturday	27 th June	St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	09.30-11.00 6pm	Holy Hour and confessions Bob Haig RIP
Sunday	28 th June	Ss Peter and Paul Apostles	09.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Dennis Carey RIP anniv