



Sacred Heart Teddington

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Parish Newsletter



5TH JULY 2026

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEK II

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

Jesus said [...] 'Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.' (Matt. 11: 25-30) The preceding lines speak of the intimate love that unites the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Preparing for the next Alpha last week, we spoke of Intimacy with the Lord – finding him in the scriptures, in silence and in prayer. We spoke of Intimacy – 'IN TO ME SEE.' Open the door of your heart to let Jesus in – let Jesus take a deep look within and let him place the yoke on us to lead, guide & shape the soul. 'IN TO ME SEE': allow yourself to look deeply into your own soul: acknowledge, joys, fears, worries, pain, hurt. Jesus hold me.

POPE LEO XIV PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY – For respect for human life Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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.

NARTHEX NEW OPENING TIMES: Weekdays: **Mon, Tues & Fri – Narthex open for Prayer 3pm-6pm. Weds & Thurs 8am-6pm. Weekends as normal.** Thank you for your understanding.

CHURCH NEWS: Thankfully there was cooler weather this week. Easier to sleep. Our Church has been very warm, we cannot open the windows as the "Home to roost" pigeons will come back in! After having our T Loop serviced, individuals are finding it is working well! Tweaks to the volume control for the wireless microphone on the Altar seems ok – we shall persevere! New hall gutters are expected to be fitted any moment – I thought Friday, but due to late delivery, hopefully next week. Some celebrations next weekend: Fr. Shaun Church be celebrating his silver Jubilee of priesthood at St. Francis de Sales during a Mass at 12pm on Saturday 11th July. Fr. Malcolm Dyer FDP is returning from Kenya for a month's visit, to celebrate his 50 years in the Priesthood. He will celebrate Mass at St. Agatha church, Kingston on 12th July at 10.30 a.m. Fr. Stephen will attend.

DONATIONS FOR UPGRADE OF SOUND SYSTEM: I am always asking extra donations. This time for the sound system – the cost was far more than expected – around £1,850, due to travel costs from Somerset, parts + VAT. We are blest to find the original installer, as other companies won't tamper with original works. An upside is that finally the loop & sound system will work for the foreseeable future.

PLANNED GIVING DIRECT DEBITS: Juste is now back in the office on Tuesdays. She is following up to see if new / changed direct debits, following the planned giving drive, have been actioned by the individuals' bank. Please would you check the status of your direct debits and if it hasn't been processed do contact Juste on the bookkeeper email. Renewed thanks for your generosity. Sorry any 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

PADRE PIO MONDAY READING GROUP AND MORE This month the reading group will be online only. August no reading group.

11TH & 12TH JULY PRIESTS FROM THE SERVANTS OF THE SUFFERING AFFILIATED TO PADRE PIO join us here at the weekend Masses.

ALPHA 2026: Starts Wednesday 30 September. Please spread the word for candidates and helpers who may wish to join the next group.

Alpha in a Catholic context: Alpha creates a space for all – the hopeful, the doubtful, the committed, and the questioning. Alpha helps people to discover and develop a relationship with Jesus and enter into the life and mission of the Church. We will soon invite some parishioners to give their personal witness / experience of how Alpha has changed their lives. We invite all adults in the parish to attend Alpha. Interested? Curious? Sceptical? Take the plunge, drop in and bring a friend or two. Alpha: another way to 'bind us together in love'

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.

UP & COMING COLLECTION: Stella Maris 12th July Peter's Pence 28th June – so far £220.00 raised – thank you for your generosity.

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 £270.63 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

POPE LEO XIV: Pope Leo prays for Venezuela as quake death toll rises; he expresses his solidarity and calls for prayers for the people of Venezuela, as the death toll from two earthquakes rises sharply. "I wish to express my closeness to the Venezuelan sisters and brothers affected by the recent earthquakes that have caused numerous victims and injured, as well as great material damages," he said. As we pray to the Lord for the eternal repose of the deceased, I renew my spiritual closeness to their families, the injured, and those struck by this tragedy. At the same time, I express my gratitude and support to those who are generously carrying out search and rescue efforts."

EMERGENCY HELP FOR VENEZUELA EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS: Please see caritaswestminster.org.uk/donate/support-venezuela/ or www.donorione.org/dona-ora The Sons of Divine Providence- we have two communities in Venezuela – please also GOOGLE other websites asking for help – Red cross and UNICEF are among many to choose from. Please Pray for families and individuals.

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

VOLUNTEER FAIR: Join Caritas Westminster for our annual Fair, bringing together charities and community organisations from across London & Herts Saturday 4 July 2026; 3-5pm, Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, SW1P 1QW Discover volunteering opportunities, and find out how you can put your time and talents into action to support others!

A DAY WITH MARY is hosting an International Symposium from 29 July to 31 July 2026 at St Mary's Catholic Church, West Croydon Further information is available at www adaywithmary.org/symposium

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 will questions of conscience & the problem of evil. This year's guest speaker Rev. Dr Simon Gain, OP. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/free-will-grace-course/>

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: 5th July Christ Church Rev Dominic Stockford; 12th July St. Michael's Church rev Ed Kendall; 19th July St Mary with St Alban Church Rev David Cloake; 26th July St Francis de Sales Church Rev Shaun Church; 2nd August Teddington Methodist Church Rev David Innes; 9th August Sacred Heart Church Rev Stephen Beale; 16th August NPL Christian Fellowship.

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

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.*

HISTORY AND TRADITIONS - FR. LUIGI ORIONE & SDP: Fr. Luigi Orione's motto: "**Do good always, do good to all, evil to none**". Luigi Orione is remembered for his commitment to social justice and service of those in need, guided and inspired by the teachings of the Catholic Church. Don Orione began his work with orphans and street children in the city of Tortona in north-west Italy while he was still a student.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
12th July
(15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A)

Isa 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23
Matt 13:1-23

Next week's Mass Intentions

PARISH INFORMATION **Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator**
Parish administrator: Phillippa Chaney, in the office Mon and Fri, 9am-3pm
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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: this weekend Sunday SDP Chapel, 2.30pm-3.30pm (23 Lower Teddington Rd, Hampton Wick, KT1 4EU)

Saturday	4 th July	St Elizabeth of Portugal	09.30-11.00 6pm	Holy Hour and confessions Int Moira Ellison
Sunday	5 th July	14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	09.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Marie and Jean Blanc
Monday	6 th July	St Maria Goretti, Virgin, Martyr	09.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	7 th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	09.30am	Moira Ellison and family intentions
Wednesday	8 th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	09.30am	Int Danny Miller & Terry Short
Thursday	9 th July	Ss Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and companions, Martyrs	No Mass	Andre – well being
Friday	10 th July	Weekday in Ordinary Time	09.30am	Anne Byrne RIP
Saturday	11 th July	St Benedict, abbot, patron of Europe	09.30-11.00 6pm	Holy Hour and confessions William Jones RIP
Sunday	12 th July	15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	09.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Lilly and Joseph Rodrigues RIP