

Sacred Heart Teddington

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Parish Newsletter

22ND NOVEMBER 2026 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE PSALTER WEEK I

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION FOR SUNDAY

Ezechiel 34:11-12, 15-17 Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. Let God dry your tears.

TEARS OF HUMANITY Tears of a woman – joy, good and bad memories, sadness, loss, despair, sense of failure, deep love, gratitude, thanksgiving, sensibility, hurt, pain, suffering, hatred, woundedness, forgiveness, compassion, appreciation, empathy, humanity, guilt, being overwhelmed, being betrayed, betraying others, healing and conversion that bring inner peace. **Tears of a man – as those of a woman** see above. **Tears of Pope Leo XIV** – an expression of his deep humanity, love and gratitude, empathy, appreciation for the people he encounters in his ministry; loss in parting from those who touch his heart so dearly. **Jesus' tears – human –** daily life experiences – his and ours of hurt, pain, suffering, leading to death and resurrection. Supported by the indwelling Holy Spirit and the love of Mary his blessed Mother. The Holy Spirit imparts extraordinary power, strength, resilience, greater love for God and humanity. We cast aside our guilt and shame, and we overflow with love, goodness, empathy and compassion. We experience deep joy. The Jesus in me and you … in us … Amen It's the Way of The Cross, the Road to Holiness, The Lives of the Saints.

POPE LEO XIV PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER – For the proper use of wealth. Let's pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

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. 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.

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027: Closing date Mon 7thDec 26. Please think about this Sacrament if your Child/ren are in the current Yr 3 class or above – start date Jan 2027 Date TBC. Please contact Pippa teddington@rcdow.org.uk

CONFIRMATION 2027: Please see the link to sign up directly for the registration for Confirmation '27 https://tinyurl.com/3nk3kvu2 If your child/ren are in the current Yr 9 at Secondary School, please speak with them/friends about this third important Sacrament.

HIRE THE HALL: Please contact the office to check availability and pricing. Good for films, café setting, have a meal together, meetings.

SACRED HEART NURSERY/PRIMARY AND JUNIOR SCHOOL: Sacred Heart School is a wonderfully-unique, one-form entry Catholic Primary school in the heart of Teddington. We serve all the Catholic parishes in the area and also welcome families of other faiths and none. We would be delighted to show you around our school. We have 30 places in Reception and 26 places in our Nursery. There are a few vacancies in specific year groups if you have older children who require an in-year school place. School office tel:**020 8977 6591**

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEK: Youth Service. On 22nd November, the Catholic Church celebrates World Youth Sunday. A significant event for young people. This year marks the 41st World Youth Sunday. The theme "Take courage! I have over-come the world" Jn 16:33 The day recognizes the gifts and energy that young people bring to the Church and encourages them to grow in faith. Additionally, it coincides with the 800th anniversary of St. Francis of Assisi, highlighting the importance of youth in the Church's mission.

UP & COMING 2ND COLLECTIONS: Missionary Orders Annual Appeal - The Spiritans 5th/6th Dec.

SICK & RETIRED PRIESTS' FUND we raised £537.90 excluding Gift Aid thank you for your generosity **–**If you haven't had the chance to make your donation, there is still time. You will find envelopes at the back of the church or you can donate online see the 'QR Code'.

PARISH FINANCES: **Thank you for supporting The Sacred Heart OCTOBER** S.O. £3,967.00; Contactless: £213.00; Building Fund £2294.00; Standing Order £915.00; Last Sunday plate collection £299.12 Pls consider a standing order for your weekly contribution?

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.

GIFT AID claim for the 2025/26 tax year raised £14,992.11 in total, of which £7,252.50 is Gift Aid received on building fund donations and allocated accordingly. 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. Gift Aid makes a difference. Ask Juste: teddingtonbk@rcdow.org.uk

REMEMBER THE SACRED HEART CHURCH TEDDINGTON BUILDING FUND AS A LEGACY IN YOUR WILL: For the 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**

ALPHA AND DIVINE RENOVATION LONDON MISSION DAY FEEDBACK See this at the back of the church. **AND MOVING TOWARDS MISSION:** My Café bucket list cancer, dementia, special needs outreach, stepping out of loneliness is emerging. Pls pray: can you help?

HELP NEEDED TO ENSURE THAT THE CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH AT ST MARY WITH ST ALBAN PARISH HALL IS A SUCCESS. CALL FOR GUESTS. CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS. ***CALL FOR GUESTS.*** **Christmas Day lunch– Would you like to come? The Churches in Teddington are again inviting the elderly and those who are alone on Christmas Day to join them for a Traditional Christmas meal. This year it will be held in the St Mary with St Alban Parish Hall, Langdon Road, Teddington TW11 9HF** *There will also be entertainment, mince pies and other refreshments plus a chance to join in Carols and other activities.* Transport can be provided for those who need it. If you would like to attend or volunteer to help then please contact **Debra on 07459 87 82 52** or email on CTTChristmas2026@gmail.com to register ***CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.*** **Help needed to ensure that the Christmas Day lunch at St Mary with St Alban Parish Hall is a success.** Each year Churches in Teddington invite the elderly and those who are alone on Christmas Day to join them for a Traditional Christmas meal, mince pies and other refreshments, plus a chance to join in Carols and other activities. **VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED AS DRIVERS** (especially the afternoon slot about 3.30 pm), musicians and entertainers and to help with food preparation (cooking), serving and washing up. If you can help in any way, no matter how small, then please contact or email on **Sandy on 07578 51 22 33** CTTChristmas2026@gmail.com **Your help will be much appreciated. Thank you**

POPE LEO: Pope Leo in Lima: We are all called to proclaim the Good News Pope Leo XIV greets those gathered outside the Apostolic Nunciature in Lima on the morning of the last day of his Apostolic Journey to South America. He is scheduled to visit a care home for the elderly, celebrate Mass and then take the flight back to Rome. On the last day of his Apostolic Journey to South America, Pope Leo XIV greeted those gathered outside the Apostolic Nunciature in Lima, thanked them for their welcome and participation and reminded them of the mission of every Christian. On Monday morning, Pope Leo said, "We are all called to proclaim the Good News. We are all called to announce that Jesus Christ has come and has saved us. Christ, the Lord of Miracles, may Christ always be with us." The Pope thanked them for their participation, presence, and warm welcome, and for accompanying him throughout these past few days. "May the Lord always bless you. May you always be filled with faith and hope, and may God's love always help you to be that beautiful sign of God's presence and closeness, especially to the little ones," the Pope told those gathered at the Nunciature, before imparting his blessing.
POPE LEO VISIT TO SOUTH AMERICA – CATCH UP – visit on-line EWTN & Vatican website. Share the joy and love. Pray for our world.
UPCOMING LOCAL BABY LOSS SUPPORT SERVICE: 29th November at 3pm in Methodist Central Hall, Westminster. We will be hosting our Mariposa International Saying Goodbye Services. Anyone who has either personally lost a baby at any stage of pregnancy, at birth, or in early years, or who has been affected by family members' or friends' loss. Whether the loss was recent or 80 years ago, everyone is welcome to attend. We have also extended the services, and gladly welcome anyone who is grieving the fact that they haven't had children. This may be due to circumstance, infertility, or for other reasons - but all are welcome. Babies and children are also invited to come with their families, as the Saying Goodbye service is truly a family event for all. www.sayinggoodbye.org
LIFE STORIES RETURNS WITH MORE REMARKABLE LOCAL MEMORIES - THE SECOND VOLUME OF LIFE STORIES: Produced by the Teddington & Hampton Wick Voluntary Care Group with the support of the Hampton Wick Association, is out now. Following the success of the first edition, Life Stories Volume 2 brings together another fascinating collection of first-hand memories from some of the longest-living people in our community. Among them is the story of the campaign to save Teddington Memorial Hospital in the 1980s; memories of seeing the Rolling Stones in Richmond before they were famous; a childhood in Nazi Germany and escape to England; life as a dancer in the early days of television; and a Royal Navy career that included encounters with Winston Churchill and Lord Mountbatten. There are strong Hampton Wick connections too, from memories of Park Road and the village in the 1960s to the campaign that helped stop a major road development and led to the formation of the Hampton Wick Association itself. The stories were researched and written by the Care Group, with the HWA once again helping with the design, layout, production and printing of the 48-page booklet. As well as preserving some wonderful local memories, Life Stories highlights the work of the Care Group, whose volunteers provide practical help, lifts, shopping and social activities for older people across Teddington and Hampton Wick. Look out for your free copy of Life Stories Volume 2.
CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH CHURCHES TOGETHER AT THE TEDDINGTON LIGHTS UP Come along at 6pm on 26th November to sing - at Cambridge Road/High Street.
CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEDDINGTON – PRAYER ROTA: 22nd Nov National Physical Laboratory Christian Fellowship Helen McEvoy; **29th Nov** St John's Church Rev Jerry Field; **6th Dec** Teddington Baptist Church Rev Johnathan Findlater
CARITAS WESTMINSTER – UPCOMING EVENTS: Over the next few weeks, Caritas Westminster will be hosting a number of events open to parishioners, volunteers and anyone interested in learning more about how we can support and welcome people in our communities.
CARITAS ADVENT GIVING CALENDAR Sr. Silvana notes: in previous years **Sacred Heart** has taken part in the Caritas Advent Giving Calendar. This enables parish communities to have an Advent focus on helping others, through collecting items (food, toiletries, cleaning products, festive treats) to donate to a local project. More details, registration here – Caritas Advent Giving Calendar: One day at a time - Caritas Westminster **CARITAS WESTMINSTER wanted: JUSTICE AND PEACE PARISH CONTACT PERSON** to provide point of contact with the Westminster J & P Commission. A role description is available. Interested? See Fr. Stephen
MISSIO RED BOX COLLECTION from the church raised £28.28; another Red Mission Box from a parishioner raised £18.50 Thank you **MISSIO** are **looking for a parish rep willing to take charge of distribution and return** of **RED MISSION BOXES**
20 NOVEMBER every year SDP celebrates the **SOLEMNITY OF MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE** – close to the heart of St. Luigi Orione.
CCTV "The parish CCTV system is now fully operational and recording for the safety and security of all who visit our church and parish facilities". Any queries or questions please contact Pippa: teddington@rcdow.org.uk
SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER AND CONFESSION will return on 5 December. Apologies that I have other appointments in November.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS
22nd November
(1st Sunday of Advent, Year B)

Isa 63:16-17; 64:3–8
1 Cor 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

PARISH INFORMATION **Fr Stephen Beale FDP, Parochial Administrator**
Parish administrator: Phillippa Chaney, in the office Mon and Fri, 9am-3pm
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Email: teddington@rcdow.org.uk, Telephone: 020 8977 2986
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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 4EU)*

Next week's Mass Intentions

Saturday	21st Nov	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.30am – 11.00 6pm	NO HOLY HOUR Patrick Forley & Racheal RIP
Sunday	22nd Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	09.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors Phyllis & Harold Clarke RIP
Monday	23rd Nov	St Clement I, Pope, Martyr; St Columban, abbot, missionary	09.30am	Special intention
Tuesday	24th Nov	Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs	09.30am	Arthur and Rae Dakin RIP
Wednesday	25th Nov	St Catherine of Alexandria	09.30am	Alan Gabriel RIP
Thursday	26th Nov	Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass	Edward Hearne RIP
Friday	27th Nov	Weekday in Ordinary Time	09.30am	Int Catherine, Bob Haig RIP
Saturday	28th Nov	Weekday in Ordinary Time	6pm	NO HOLY HOUR *Donor intention*
Sunday	29th Nov	1st Sunday of Advent	09.30am 11.15am	Parishioners and benefactors *Donor intention*