



**SAINT THEODORE OF CANTERBURY  
HAMPTON ON THAMES  
Sunday April 28<sup>th</sup> 2024  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



Welcome to all at Mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and let us pray for each other.

**MASSES THIS WEEK**

- Sunday 28**  
6 pm  
8.30 am  
10.30 am  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
Margaret Lowney RIP  
Dan Cronin RIP  
For all the People of our Parish
- Monday 29**  
**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA**  
**NO MASS**
- Tuesday 30**  
**\*9.00\* am**  
**St Pius V**  
In Thanksgiving (AJ)
- Weds 1**  
9.30 am  
**St Joseph the Worker**  
For Peace
- Thursday 2**  
9.30 am  
**St Athanasius**  
Albert Nunes RIP
- Friday 3**  
**\*6.00 pm\***  
**Ss PHILIP & JAMES**  
Holy Souls
- Saturday 4**  
**6pm**  
**ENGLISH MARTYRS**  
Sheldon Carasco RIP
- Sunday 5**  
**8.30 am**  
**10.30 am**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
For all the People of the Parish  
Simprosa Maceda RIP

**NB  
Different  
Mass times  
on Tuesday  
and Friday**

*Blessed Sacrament Lamp this week is for  
A Private Intention (AJ & Family)*

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**



Last week it was sheep: this week, the vine. Jesus offers us another (agricultural) image to explain the mystery of his offering of himself, and our belonging to him, our being part of him, which comes about

through the sacrament of Baptism. This is, as was stated earlier, the period of Mystagogy, when the newly baptised are helped to see what life in Jesus Christ really means. Today this comes out strongly for all of us, with two of the three readings emphasising the moral aspects of life in Christ: it is not simply enough to "belong" to him: our belonging must be shown by the works we do, by the fruits we bear - while remembering of course that we cannot bear fruit except in him.

**MONSIGNOR JIM CURRY** was appointed



by Pope Francis as an auxiliary Bishop for our Diocese of Westminster on Monday, April 22. This is good news as now we will have

the full compliment of four auxiliary bishops. Bishop-elect Jim will be the titular Bishop of Ramsbiriensis (Ramsbury or Ramsbiria.) He will receive Episcopal Ordination on Tuesday, June 18 in Westminster Cathedral. As we offer him our congratulations we will remember him in our prayers.

**MASSES ON TUESDAY AND FRIDAY:**

Are at different times due to Funeral commitments. **Mass on Tuesday will be at 9.00am.** **Mass on Friday will be at 6.00pm.**

**SEAMUS O'KANE RIP:**

Please remember Seamus in your Prayers. He died quite unexpectedly on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Seamus was the Landlord the Railway Bell or 'the Dip'. Seamus' funeral will take place on Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am here at St Theodore's. We commend Seamus to the Lord and offer our prayerful condolences to his family and many friends. May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

**JEANNE MACEDO RIP:**

We also remember Jeanne in our prayers. Jeanne's funeral will take place on Tuesday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10.00am in St Theodore's followed by committal at Hanworth. We offer Jeanne's family and friends our prayerful condolences. May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

**PRIEST TRAINING FUND - THANK YOU**

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend, we raised a wonderful £496.50. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation, visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations)

**GIFT AID:**

If you are a Gift Aider and are **no longer paying tax**, it is of the **utmost** importance that you inform the office of this **in writing as soon as possible**. We do not want anybody getting surprise bills from HMRC. New planned giving envelopes were ordered some time ago and are ready for collection. Please contact the Parish Office for further details

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES THIS YEAR:**

Will take place from 19<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> July. Full board costs range from £775.00 by coach to £1250.00 including flight and single room occupancy. For more information contact the Pilgrimage office on 020 7798 9173 or email [lourdes@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdow.org.uk). Alternatively you can scan the QR code in the Church welcoming area. God willing Fr Philip will be travelling on this Pilgrimage. He will be accompanying the Jumbulance. It would be lovely if there is a little delegation from St Theodore's joining our Diocesan Pilgrimage. By scanning the QR code, details of the pilgrimage and guidelines for volunteering are given.



**Parish Office opening hours this week:**  
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm

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**CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS:** We are aware that in our community there are men and women who, for one reason or another, did not receive Confirmation in their youth. If this is the case and you would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please speak to Fr Philip or Deacon Duncan. Confirmation, along with Baptism, is one of the Sacraments of Christian initiation and therefore is essential.

**AGE CONCERN COFFEE MORNING:** Every last Thursday we look forward to welcoming our friends from Hello Hampton. Hello Hampton is a local group that works through Age UK Richmond that seeks to build community. St Theodore's Parish is a member of the Dementia Friendly Communities Richmond Network.

**REPOSITORY:** There are many new Mass and Occasion cards in the repository - all at very competitive prices!

**BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP:** If you would like to sponsor the Blessed Sacrament Lamp, which burns next to the Tabernacle for a special Intention, just let the office know your preferred week and your intention. The cost is just £10 for the whole week.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEWSLETTER** should be received by the Parish Office in writing no later than 10am on Thursday.

**PARENT'S MEETING FOR CURRENT FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN:** will take place on Tuesday April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Hall.

**HOW BEAUTY DRAWS US CLOSER TO GOD:** Fr Patrick van der Vorst | 7 PM, Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024 | St Patrick's Church, Soho Square, London

Fr. Patrick van der Vorst is a priest of the Archdiocese of Westminster, a former Director of Sotheby's Europe, and the founder of the evangelistic initiative [www.Christian.Art](http://www.Christian.Art). Fr. Patrick will explore how beauty elevates us to encounter the Divine, how the Church has

historically sought to create art that facilitates this meeting, and how this can happen in our visually overstimulated world. The lecture will be followed by a Q&A and then refreshments will be available.

**DIOCESAN JOBS** for further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

**CAFOD SUDAN APPEAL:**

In the week we received correspondence informing us of the serious situation that befalls the people of Sudan. For more details please click on or scan on the QR code.



**CARJ**  
AT  
**40!**

As part of the celebrations CARJ is Launching:  
**"The Agenda for Change"**  
CARJ's New 'Plan of Action' to bring about greater equality and to create a racially just society.

Date: Saturday 25th May 2024  
Time: 10.30 Start  
Place: Amigo Hall, St Georges Cathedral London SE1 7HY

All are invited  
For more info and RSVP Email - [info@carj.org.uk](mailto:info@carj.org.uk)

**Offertory Collection for week up to and including 21/04/2024:**

Envelopes: £238.10 Loose: £215.20

Contactless: £45.00 (£10.85n fees)

Total: £497.45

Average MONTHLY Standing Orders: £2,001.00

(Thus average weekly on an annual basis = £461.77)

Thank You for your generosity

**QUEEN OF HEAVEN**

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.  
The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia.  
Has risen, as He said, alleluia.  
Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.  
O God, who through the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ gave rejoicing to the world grant, we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Regina Caeli laetare, Alleluia,  
Quia quem meruisti portare. Alleluia,  
Resurrexit, Sicut dixit, Alleluia.  
Ora pro nobis Deum. Alleluia.

LET US REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

**Pope Francis, and in this Month of April** we join him in praying that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world. **For Cardinal Vincent Nichols, Bishop-elect Mgr Jim Curry and all Bishops. For all in our Parish family especially those who are sick or housebound, those who care for them, those away from home, in Education, working away, on active service, or in Prison; for Peace in our World and especially for an end to the conflict in Ukraine and for peace in the Middle East. During Eastertide we pray for Victoria and all new members of the Church, the right use of media, the blessing of Human Work. For Priests and Deacons, Vocations to the Priesthood and the Religious life. For our Schools and other Christian communities in our Parish. For the Servants of the Mother of God. For His Majesty the King and all who govern in his name. For all those who died recently, especially Seamus O'Kane Fr John Warnaby, Fr David Williamson, Christine Sweeney, Jeanne Macedo and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and those who have no one to pray for them.**

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CLOSE TO OUR PARISH: PRIMARY SCHOOLS:** St James School is our designated Parish School: St James, Twickenham: <https://www.st-james.richmond.sch.uk/> Mr. Beaty. Sacred Heart, Teddington: <https://www.sacredheartteddington.co.uk/> Mrs H Murphy, St Ignatius, Sunbury: <https://www.st-ignatius.surrey.sch.uk/> Mrs O'Neill. **SECONDARY SCHOOLS IN OUR DEANARY:** St Richard Reynolds Twickenham. Mr R Burke [www.strichardreynolds.org.uk](http://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk) St Paul's Sunbury. Mr J. McNulty. [www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk/](http://www.st-pauls.surrey.sch.uk/)

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/ CONFESSIONS** Saturday 5.15pm—5.45pm or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS** Please initially speak to Fr Philip after Sunday Mass. Adults wishing to enquire about the Catholic Faith should also speak to Fr Philip.

**WEDDINGS** For those couples wishing to get married here or elsewhere, it is important that you notify Fr Philip at least 6 months before your wedding date.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** On request. If you are about to undergo surgery or treatment, please do not hesitate to ask Fr Philip. If you are admitted to Hospital, please indicate that your details are to be passed to the R.C. Chaplain and that you would like the R.C. Chaplain to visit.

**IF ANY ONE IS IN DANGER OF DEATH PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CALL FR PHILIP - 020 8979 3596 OR A NEIGHBOURING PARISH.**