



**SAINT THEODORE OF CANTERBURY**  
**HAMPTON ON THAMES**  
**Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup> 2024**  
**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



*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.*

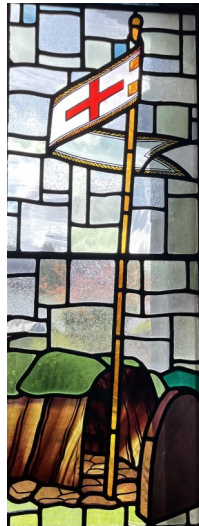
**MASSES THIS WEEK**

- Sunday 7** **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (LOW SUNDAY) DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
 Eileen Bennett Int  
 Anita Byrne RIP  
 For all the People of our Parish
- Monday 8** **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**  
 9.30 am Jane Thompson (Int)
- Tuesday 9** **Easter Feria NO MASS**
- Weds 10** **Easter Feria NO MASS**
- Thursday 11** **St Stanislaus**  
 9.30 am Edward Finn RIP
- Friday 12** **Easter Feria**  
 9.30 am Marion Byrne RIP
- Saturday 13** **St Martin I**  
 6pm Evelyn Britten (Int)
- Sunday 14** **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
 8.30 am Dave Williams RIP  
 10.30 am For all the People of our Parish

*Blessed Sacrament Lamp this week is for Kathleen*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

After the joys and exuberance of Easter Sunday and Easter Week, we settle down into the longest Season in the Church's Year - Eastertide. This period of fifty days



is a time of sustained gladness, which comes through reading and reflecting on the Scriptures which describe the risen life of Jesus - not just his appearances to the disciples after the Resurrection, but the teachings from his ministry which reveal the risen life he now possesses. We also hear how the Resurrection made a difference: how the timid and frightened disciples were able to leave Jerusalem and proclaim a message of life over death to the whole world, as we read through the book of the Acts of the Apostles. We also linger over the first letter of Saint John, which ties together so many of the

themes of Easter: life, faith, baptism, the Spirit - all brought together in the person of the Lord Jesus, risen from the dead. On this second Sunday, we continue to track through "real time", by hearing what happened in Jerusalem the Sunday after the Resurrection. with the Lord appearing to Thomas.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**•CURRY AND QUIZ** We look forward to hosting a Quiz and Curry night on Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup>, Doors open at 7pm Quiz Starts at 7.15pm. Chicken or Vegetarian options. Bring your own drinks. £15 - Teams of 6 - Book as a team or we will make up a team for you. Tickets are now on sale.

**FOOD BANK VOLUNTEERS** Thank you to the ladies who have volunteered to deliver the food to the Food Bank. The rota is now available for you to collect from the Repository in the porch.

**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 we are waiting delivery in the next couple of weeks.

**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.



**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP:** Our next meeting will be on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7 pm when we will be having a talk from "Embracing Age", a local charity working towards a world

where older people are valued, connected and full of hope. Everyone is welcome to come and find out more.

**CARE HOME CLOTHING DONATIONS**

- A local charity Embracing Age (Reg. Charity No. 1160400) has had a request for help from the manager of a local care home who has asked for clothing for a male resident who is XXL in size as he has no family to support him. If you are able to help please contact Mary on [mary@embracingage.org.uk](mailto:mary@embracingage.org.uk) or call / text 07757450951 to arrange a doorstep collection.

**A WORD OF THANKS:** As the Easter Octave nears its end there are a few people who we need to be thanked:

The group of parishioners who came on Saturday 23rd March to tidy up the grounds for Holy week and Easter. The good people that faithfully come and clean the church, the team of ladies who have prepared such beautiful flower arrangements in our church that glorify God and adorn our church. To those who lead our music ministry, for all they do. Our liturgies have been most prayerful. To our readers, who have proclaimed God's Holy Word to us, Our servers, and our torchbearers of Maundy, Thursday and Good Friday, thank you. To our good parishioner, who prepared the Holy Saturday fire, and made a stand for the Good Friday crucifix, Thank you.

To the parishioners who serve tea and coffee after the 10:30 Mass, thank you.

To Sr. Marian for her pastoral presence and all she does behind the scenes, thank you. To Deacon Jim and Deacon Duncan for their diocesan ministry. Thank you, To Stephanie and Vicky For all they do in the presbytery. Thank you. There are those who I have not mentioned who do much for our Parish, you know who you are, The gift of your time and talent is much appreciated. Thank you and God bless you.

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## HOW TO SAY THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET



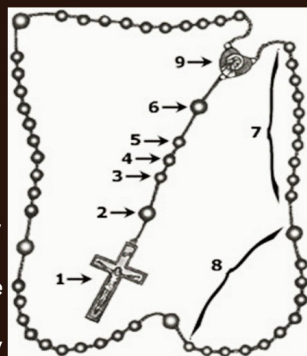
**JESUS I TRUST IN YOU**

1. Make the Sign of the Cross
2. Opening Prayer:  
O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You!  
x3
3. Our Father
4. Hail Mary
5. The Apostles' Creed
6. The Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
7. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world
8. Repeat for the remaining decades Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

9. Conclude with Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. x3.

*Closing Prayer:*

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.



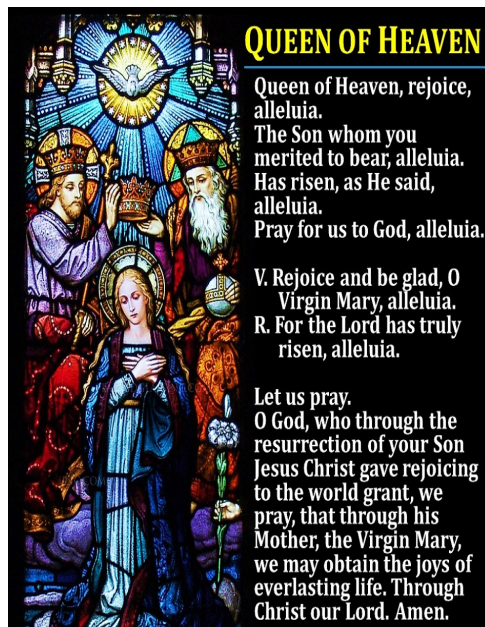
**REPOSITORY:** There are many new Mass and Occasion cards in the repository - all at very competitive prices!

**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.

## APRIL: MONTH OF THE RESURRECTION AND THE EUCHARIST



### 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.

### 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 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 Fr Michael Daley, Fr. Malcom Ferrier, Fr Raymond Hayne, for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and those who have no one to pray for them.**

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

**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 Green, 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.**