



# Sacred Heart R. C. Church

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## SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST, 2015

### MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS & SERVICES

#### AUGUST 2015

16 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	09.30	Mauricio Pereira & Joana Pereira
		18.00	Pro Populo
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mon	09.00	Manfred Peter Hans Krause +
18 <sup>th</sup>	Tue	19.00	HOLY ROSARY
		19.30	Kathleen Doyle +
19 <sup>th</sup>	Wed		NO MASS
20 <sup>th</sup>	Thu	18.30	EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
		19.00	Thanksgiving <i>St Bernard</i>
21 <sup>st</sup>	Fri	09.00	Kathleen Griffiths <i>St Pius x</i>
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sat	10.00	Mariam Thomas + <i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sun	09.30	Pro Populo
		18.00	Ernesto Buquiren + (ann)

**CONFESSIONS:** this Saturday from 10.30am to 11am or any day after Mass or by appointment with Fr Naz.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR RECOVERING:** Minnie Rowse, Jean Collard, Pat Barfield, Dennis Thompson, Philomena Little, Sally Muhuta, Anna Ingelton, Ann Holden, Mary Jordan, Paddy Meridith, Michelle Iverson, Major Bartolomeo Giron, Vera Cooper, Bernadette Samworth, Natasha Anderson, Sr. Rose, Julio Arquimbau, Kate Surman, Steven Bradley, Johannes Baptista Klau, Bozena Pastuszka, Lucas Randall, Jacqueline East, Neville Melhado, Betty Duff and all who care for the sick.

**BAPTISM** Zachary Alexander Baba, son of Daniel & Caroline: Today, Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> August at 1.30pm

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Seamus Whelan

#### **FINANCES LAST WEEK:**

- Offertory: £213.51
- Hall Table Fund: £65.72
- Donation from Day Trip to Littlehampton: £39.50

**HALF & HALF** Please keep buying tickets for the next draw which will take place on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

#### **MUSIC AT THE 9.30 SUNDAY MASS**

- **TODAY:** Timorese Choir
- **NEXT WEEK:** Main Choir

#### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEK:**

- 9.30AM MASS: Pat McGroarty, Nuala McNally and Philomena Doherty
- 6.00PM MASS: Cynthia Muthoni & Fred Manansala

**CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS:** Thanks to Maggie Durkin & Jenny Parker for the flower arrangements this week. Next week it will be the turn of Jocelyn Esteban & Fermin Family

**LONGLANDS SUMMER FETE:** will take place today, Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August from 1pm to 4pm. Please support the home.

**RIDE & STRIDE:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2015. Help preserve historic Churches by taking part in a sponsored cycle, walk, or horse ride around Oxfordshire. Jacquie Halliday our parish Co-ordinator suggests cycling or walking to cover a few churches in Cowley area. We need somebody in the Hall to serve teas. These too are supposed to be sponsored. Those interested please get forms from Jacqui.

#### **ASSISTED DYING BILL POSTCARDS**

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September the House of Commons will debate and vote on a Bill to legalise assisted suicide. This will put the most vulnerable people in our society at risk. Please take a card from the back of Church and send it to your local MP. Some MPs in the House of Commons pay attention to the views of their constituents and it is very important that we should play our part as much as we can to make our voices heard. The cards can be signed by anyone of any faith or none who oppose the legalization of assisted suicide.

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK:** Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> August to Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016. We now need those interested to start filling forms which can be got from Jacqui Halliday.

**A RETIRING COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN** at both Masses today for the Church Flower Fund.

#### **DAY OF PRAYER FOR FR NAZ: 17<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST:**

O Jesus, our great High Priest, Hear my humble prayers on behalf of your priest, Father Naz.

Give him a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of his priestly life.

In his loneliness, comfort him.

In his sorrows, strengthen him.

In his frustrations, point out to him that it is through suffering that the soul is purified, and show him that he is needed by the Church, he is needed by souls, he is needed for the work of redemption.

O loving Mother Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your son who is close to you because of his priestly ordination, and because of the power which he has received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs him so much.

Be his comfort, be his joy, be his strength, and especially help him to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy.

*Amen*