



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7th November, 2021

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Sunday, 7 th November <i>Thirty-second Sunday of the Year</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass <i>(3.00 pm Blessing of Graves at Rose Hill)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Pedro Fernandes Goncalves & Margarida Turquel - RIP The People of the Parish</i>
Monday, 8 th November <i>Mem. of Bl. George Napier, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass	<i>Ellen Gaughan (Birthday)</i>
Tuesday, 9 th November <i>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> 12.00 Mass at Corpus Christi, Headington	<i>Thomas Hanlon Deceased Parish Clergy</i>
Wednesday, 10 th November <i>Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope</i>	No Public Mass Today	<i>Coral Anne Pill (11th Anniversary)</i>
Thursday, 11 th November <i>Mem. of St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>	6.00 pm Exposition & Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	<i>Martina Madeira</i>
Friday, 12 th November <i>Mem. of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>Mary Clarke</i>
Saturday, 13 th November	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer No Public Mass Today	
Sunday, 14 th November <i>Thirty-third Sunday of the Year</i> <i>Remembrance Sunday</i> <i>World Day of the Poor</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Cecilia Michael Alfin Geovanio Martins</i>
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm		

Welcome to Sacred Heart Church for Mass today.

If you are here with us for the first time today, welcome. If you are returning to Mass after a period of time away because of the pandemic, welcome back! It is lovely to see you again today.

Prayer at the end of Mass:

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! *Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Mass at Home. We are no longer streaming the Sunday morning Mass from Sacred Heart on Zoom. Alternatively, you could watch the Mass on Saturday, 5.30 pm, and/or Sunday, 11.00 am from Our Lady's where we are now live and can be viewed at <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>.

Here is a prayer, **an Act of Spiritual Communion**, which you can say as you watch a Livestream Mass:

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You."

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Kathleen Raj, Domenico Mirto, Elizabeth Brennan, Sean Delaney, and all who have died recently or whose anniversaries occur around this time: Frs. Francis Stanbridge, Francis Dawson, Derek Edwards, John Drinkwater, Cyril Duck and Michael O'Keefe and also Joseph Mgungwe, Frederick Gardner, Arthur Bayliss and Coral Anne Pill. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

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Please pray for Betty Duff, Eileen McGarry, and Daniel Holdsworth and all those we know who are sick. If you are ill and you would like to ask for prayers on this newsletter, please let me know.



Grand Christmas Draw. Yes, Christmas is coming!!
Raffle Tickets are now available to

buy or to take away to sell to raise money for the Parish. All tickets should be returned by 27th November and the DRAW will be made on SUNDAY, 12th DECEMBER. Each booklet costs £1 and has five tickets. If you can and would like to donate a prize for the raffle it will be gratefully received. Thank you.

There will be a Second Collection at Masses this weekend for the Johnson Association, supporting aged and infirm clergy in this diocese.

November Prayers for the Dead. There are memorial slips available to write the names of those for whom you wish to pray during November. Place the slips in the basket in front of the altar and they will be remembered at Mass throughout the month.

Mass for those who have died during the pandemic and for all healthcare and frontline workers who have supported our local communities during the last eighteen months. Today (Sunday, 7th November) we are asked to join with the intention of Archbishop Bernard who will be offering Mass in St Chad's at 11.30.

Blessing of graves:

- At Rose Hill Cemetery at 3.00 pm this afternoon, 7th November. Meet at the chapel at the Cemetery for a short service and then process between the graves praying the Rosary.
- Fr. Mervyn will be blessing graves at Headington Cemetery today, 7th November, at 12.30 pm.
- If you would like me to bless graves in other cemeteries in the parish, please contact me.

Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the Deanery, at Corpus Christi, Headington, at 12.00 noon on Tuesday, 9th November. Every year the clergy of the Deanery celebrate Mass for their deceased brothers. All welcome.

Parish Memorial Mass for those in the parish who have died, especially those whose funerals have been held here during the past year, on Saturday, 27th November, 11.00 am. If you would like anyone's name to be included please let me know (in writing). All are welcome.

Adsumus, Sancte Spiritus The prayer for our path to the Synod 2021-2023

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Remembrance Sunday: next Sunday, 14th November. This is the Sunday nearest to Armistice Day



which marks the end of World War 1. We shall have a short service after the 9.00 am Mass next Sunday to lay a wreath at the foot of the cross and pray for those who have died in war and to pray for peace.

Pope's Prayer Intention for November: People who suffer from depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light

that opens them to life.

Beware of spam emails! Some of you may have received spam emails apparently from me or other priests. Please do not respond to them, just delete them. A genuine message should come from an email account that ends in @rcaob.org.uk. If you are in doubt about an email please contact me and check.

Pope Francis and the Synodal Process: Birmingham Archdiocese Synod Events

What is it about? Everyone is invited to two evening meetings on Zoom. These information sessions are a great opportunity to take your first step on the Synod journey.

7.30 pm, Monday 8 Nov., with Fr Jan Nowotnik

7.30 pm, Monday 15 Nov., with Dr Mary McCaughey

To book a place, email synodalpathway@rcaob.org.uk

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Tailpiece: An angel appeared at a parish meeting and said to the parish priest, "In return for your unselfish and exemplary behaviour, the Lord will reward you with your choice of infinite wealth, wisdom, or beauty." "Give me infinite wisdom, please!" replied the priest. "Done!" said the angel and disappeared. All heads now turned to the priest. "Well, Father" said the curate, "Say something brilliant." The priest stood and, with the poise of Socrates, declared, "I should have taken the money."

May God bless you and all those you love.
Fr. Harry