



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th November, 2022

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Sunday, 13 th November Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Remembrance Sunday World Day of the Poor</i>	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) (2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's) (4.30 pm Mass for the Syro-Malabar community at Our Lady's)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Martinho Amaral Judy Kirby (Anniversary) Nathan Chika Mbagwu</i> <i>Joao & Maria Lobato Soriano</i>
Monday, 14 th November	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass	<i>Jason Family Intentions</i>
Tuesday, 15 th November <i>Op. Mem. of St. Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass <i>(12.00 noon Mass at Corpus Christi Church)</i>	<i>Mary Clarke (Anniversary) Dec'd Clergy of the Deanery</i>
Wednesday, 16 th November <i>Op. Mem. of St. Edmund of Abingdon</i>	<i>No Public Mass Today</i>	<i>The People of the Parish</i>
Thursday, 17 th November <i>Op. Mem. of St. Hilda, Abbess</i>	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	<i>Patrick and Mary McGroarty</i>
Friday, 18 th November <i>Op. Mem. of the Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter & Paul</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>John Perkins (Anniversary)</i>
Saturday, 19 th November	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(10.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) (Evening Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>The People of the Parish Martin Jennings</i>
Sunday, 20 th November Solemnity of Christ the King <i>National Youth Sunday</i>	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) (3.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Martinho Amaral Judy Kirby (Anniversary) Nathan Chika Mbagwu Joao & Maria Lobato Soriano</i>
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm		

Welcome to Sacred Heart Church for Mass today.

Our Parish Prayer: Help us, Lord, to receive you with an open heart this day.

May our community receive your grace and deepen its faith in you.

*Make us lights to shine forth with your love, giving life and hope to those who have fallen away
or who have never known you. Amen.*



Remembrance Sunday. Today is Remembrance Sunday. At the end of each Mass we shall have a short service to lay a wreath at the foot of the cross and pray for those who have died in wars and for peace.

Solemnity of Christ the King. Next Sunday is the last of the year and it is a Day of Prayer for Young People. At the 9.00 Mass we shall welcome Maria Bracken from the Kenelm Youth Trust – the Youth service in the Diocese – and there will be a second collection for the Catholic Youth Services.

Please pray for the soul of Fr. Ian Ker, Paula Wensley, Denis Allen, Mary Florence and the souls of all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Canon Joseph William Dunne, Frs. Michael O'Keefe, Petroc Howell, Laurence Smith, Thomas Stanislaus O'Connor, William Matthew Boyle, Joseph Ryan, James O'Sullivan, Raymond Jones, Bernard Boulton and Thomas Havekin, Deacon John Burton, Nan Ford, Kathleen Davies, Judy Kirby, John Perkins, Sean Jennings, Patricia King, Bernard Teeling and Roger Afford. May they rest in peace.

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Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for Felix Saulong, Jr., Thomas Gaughan, Barry Holland, Rosalind Ingrams, Betty Duff and Eileen McGarry and all those we know who are sick. If you or someone you know is sick and would like to be included on this newsletter, please let me know.

Mass at Home. If you are not able to come to Mass you could watch it on Saturday, 5.30 pm, and/or Sunday, 11.00 am from Our Lady's where it is livestreamed at <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>. Here is a prayer that you can say when you watch the 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."

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.*

Sacred Heart Christmas Bazaar, in the parish hall on Saturday, 26th November, 2.00-4.00 pm

Please support YOUR parish fundraising and help by donating things we need. PLEASE TAKE RAFFLE TICKETS AND SELL THEM. RETURN ANY UNSOLD TICKETS BEFORE THE BAZAAR – WE CAN SELL THEM ON THE DAY.

The bottle stall needs 140 prizes, the prizes are bottles of spirits, bottles of wine (red and white), bottles/cans of beer and lager and soft drinks.

The Grocery tombola needs at least 130 prizes, please give packets and tins of food (all in date, please)

We need good quality items and unwanted gifts for the tombola and nearly-new stall (no electrical items, please, because we can't sell them)."

Remember: refreshments are available in the hall after the 9.00 am Mass on Sundays.

The Advent *Walk With Me* booklet is now available for £1, with daily and Sunday reflections. *Walk With Me* can be a wonderful resource to give to relatives, friends and work colleagues who are interested in discovering the true meaning of Christmas. There are also copies of the **Advent *Day by Day* booklets** (also £1) which have the readings used at Mass for each day of Advent.

Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for Felix Saulong, Jr., Jean Carpenter, Brenda O'Meara, Claudino Serra Vaz, Bridie Barry, Phil Bawden, Pat Mazonowicz, David, Thomas Gaughan, and all those we know who are sick.

The St. Vincent de Paul (SVP) Society would like to start a conference in our parish. Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest. There will be a meeting after the 9.00 am Mass TODAY when Rebecca Bristow will give a talk about the SVP and starting the conference.

Young Adult Group for 18-35's at Holy Rood Church on Abingdon Road, Monday, 21st November, 7.30 pm, with Fr Alex, OCD. He will be talking on 1 Timothy 4:18-16 - Values for Godly living (Part 1). It will end with prayer by 9.00 pm. Contact Kate on 07933 765367 if you have any questions. All are welcome.

Please pray for Dierdre Wallace who will be confirmed during the 7.00 pm Mass on Thursday.

A Day for Parish Readers.

Next Saturday 19th November, in Our Lady's church and the Don Bosco Centre. It will start with Mass at 10.00 am. The day will give special attention to the approaching season of Advent, and Mary Casey, who trains the seminarians at Oscott College, is coming from Birmingham to give some practical help to readers. The day will end at 3.30 pm. If you are (or would like to be) a reader please try to come. Bring your own lunch.

Young Adult Group for 18-35's at Holy Rood Church on Abingdon Road, Monday, 7th November, 7.30 pm, with Fr Kelvin, OCD, talking on prayer in the letters of St. Paul. It will begin with a talk followed by a discussion and ending with prayer by 9.00 pm. For further information contact Kate on 07933 765367.

Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the North Oxford Deanery, Next Tuesday, 15th November, 12.00 noon, at Corpus Christi, Headington. Every year the clergy celebrate Mass for their deceased brothers. All welcome.

Homes for Ukraine Matching Service. Caritas Social Action Network have launched a service to bring together Ukrainian people displaced by the war with people in the Catholic community willing to host them in their homes for six months. If you have room in your home and your heart to consider welcoming the stranger, then they would love to hear from you. Please visit <https://sjoq-homesforukraine.uk/> for more information.

Tailpiece: A vicar's 5-year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day she asked him why. "Well, Dear," he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages, "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon." "Oh," said his daughter, much impressed. There was a pause and then she asked, "So why doesn't He do it?"

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