



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th November, 2022

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Sunday, 6 th November <i>Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> <i>(3.00 pm Blessing of Graves at Rose Hill)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	Rita Da Costa, Gabriela Monteiro Ryan Davies Philomena Little
Monday, 7 th November <i>Op. Mem. of St. Willibrord</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass	Venicio Rodrigues Amaral Quintao
Tuesday, 8 th November <i>Mem. of Blessed George Napier</i>	7.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass	John Edwards
Wednesday, 9 th November <i>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	No Public Mass Today	Coral Anne Piull (Anniversary)
Thursday, 10 th November <i>Mem. of St. Leo the Great, Pope</i>	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Bernardo Quintao and Rosa Carlos Rodrigues
Friday, 11 th November <i>Mem. of St. Martin of Tours</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	The People of the Parish
Saturday, 12 th November <i>Mem. of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 11.00 am Parish Memorial Mass <i>(Evening Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm at Our Lady's)</i>	Deceased Parishioners and Friends Sean Jennings (9 th Anniversary)
Sunday, 13 th November <i>Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Remembrance Sunday</i> <i>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)</i> <i>(2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's)</i> <i>(4.30 pm Mass for the Syro-Malabar community at Our Lady's)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	Martinho Amaral Judy Kirby (Anniversary) Nathan Chika Mbagwu Joao & Maria Lobato Soriano
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.

Please pray for the soul of Br. Stephen Innes OFM Cap, Paula Wensley, Denis Allen, Mary Florence and the souls of all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mgr. Bertram Gould, Canons Eugene O'Sullivan and John Redford, Frs. Cyril Duck, Francis Stanbridge, Francis Dawson, Derek Edwards, and John Drinkwater, and also Cora Proctor, Joseph Mgungwe, Frederick Gardner and Arthur Bayliss. May they rest in peace.

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.

Collections for 16th October: £319.45; Gift Aid: £111.50. **World Mission Sunday:** £134.33; Gift Aid £1.00.

Collections for 23rd October: £311.35; Gift Aid: £107.50. 2nd collection: £46.81. **World Mission:** £5.00. **CAFOD:** £6.00

Collections for 30th October: £329.82; Gift Aid: £131.00. 2nd collection: £116.49. Thank you.

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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.*

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

Please make sure this is in your diary.

A message from the organisers: "Please support YOUR parish by buying and selling raffle tickets and donating prizes and money to the main raffle. Sally has the tickets and the list for the prizes. We need items for the grocery tombola, bottle stall, unwanted presents and good quality items for the nearly new stall. Thank you."

Raffle tickets are on sale after Mass.

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

The second Collection at Masses today is for the Johnson Fund which provides support to sick and retired priests of the diocese. Many retired priests depend on grants from the Johnson Fund, and your generosity will help them greatly.

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.



Greyfriars Catholic School. We have been invited to Greyfriars School to join them for their Christmas Fair on Saturday, 10th December, 11.00-2.00. Sounds good to me!

A Day for Parish Readers. Saturday, 19th November, 10.00-4.00, in Our Lady's church and the Don Bosco Centre. If you are

(or would like to be) a reader please try to come. Light refreshments will be provided; please bring your own lunch.

Parish Finance Committee. Members, please remember that we shall be meeting this afternoon (Sunday) at 4.00 pm in the hall.

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.

November is the month when we traditionally pray for those who have died.

- **November Dead List Envelopes** are available in the basket in front of the altar. You can fill in the list and leave it in the black box that is also in front of the altar. They will be remembered in prayer throughout the month of November.
- **Blessing of graves at Rose Hill Cemetery** this afternoon at **3.00 pm**. We shall meet at the chapel at the Cemetery for a short service and then process between the graves praying the Rosary.
- Canon Mervyn will bless the graves at **Headington Cemetery** on **Saturday, 12th November, 11.30 am**.
- **Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the North Oxford Deanery**, Tuesday, 15th November, 12.00 noon, at Corpus Christi, Headington. 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, next Saturday, 12th November, 11.00 am. If you would like anyone's name to be included, please let me know.
- **Remembrance Sunday.** Sunday, 13th November. We shall have a short service after the 9.00 am Mass to lay a wreath and pray for those who have died in war and for peace.



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 small boy asked his father if he could have a new bike. His father had to say no, but added, "If you pray hard you may have a little brother to play with soon". The boy did pray but after a while got tired of it. Eventually his father took him upstairs and showed him not one but two little brothers. "Now aren't you glad you prayed for a little brother?" he asked. "Yees," answered the boy doubtfully, "But aren't you glad I stopped when I did?"

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