



# Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

## *Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *18<sup>th</sup> June, 2023*

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Sunday, 18 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Day for Life</i>	<b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am Mass</b> <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> <b>6.00 pm Mass</b>	Minnie Rouse and Gladys Johnson Nancy Lyons (Anniversary) Edmundo Antonio and Olivia Marchal
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> June <i>Op. Mem. of St. Romuald, Abbot</i>	<i>(7.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	The People of the Parish
Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June <i>Op. Mem. of St. Alban</i>	<b>No Public Mass Today</b>	John Pill
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> June <i>Mem. of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</i>	5.00 pm Reception of Pauline Ryan <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	Francesca (Intentions)
Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June <i>Feast of St. John Fisher, Bishop, &amp; St. Thomas More, Martyrs</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction <b>9.45 am Requiem Mass</b> <b>7.00 pm Mass</b>	Pauline Ryan Nicholas Dore
Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June <i>Op. Mem. of St. Etheldreda (Audrey), Abbess</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	Sr. Norma's Intentions
Saturday, 24 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Solemnity of the Birth of St. John the Baptist</b>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>10.00 am Mass</b> <i>(5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's)</i>	Frank Benson The People of the Parish
Sunday, 25 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am Mass</b> <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> <b>6.00 pm Mass</b>	Tommy White Anne Delaney Adriano and Ermelinda
Confessions: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm.; Saturday, 10.30 – 11.30 am		

Welcome to Sacred Heart for Mass today.

**Happy Fathers' Day to all Dads.**

*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.*

**Prayers for the Sick.** Please pray for Barry Holland, Rosalind Ingrams, Betty Duff and Eileen McGarry and all those we know who are sick. If someone you know is sick and would like to be prayed for, please let me know.

**Please pray for those who have died recently: Frank Benson, Pauline Ryan, Mary O'Hara, Gejjo Masih, Patrick Joseph Hannon, Fr. Anthony Davies, Canon John Gunn,** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Mgr. Peter William Stonier, Frs. Laurence Jones, Hubert Mooney, Michael Doona, George Smith, Eric Morgan and Geoffrey Tucker, and also Linda James, Cora Proctor and Nancy McDonnell. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

If you wish to see the Mass at your home, go to <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

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### 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.*

**Remember: refreshments are available in the hall after the 9.00 am Mass on Sundays. Come and have a chat with friends.**



**Our Parish Summer Fete will be on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2.00-4.00 pm. Please put the date in your diary.**

**There are still 200 books of raffle tickets unsold. Don't miss out on the chance to win!**

**They are available from Sally after Mass.**

**Prizes are needed for the raffle and there is a list in the church porch if you could offer to supply one.**

**Similarly, donations of bottles and groceries are needed for the various stalls, please.**

**This Sunday** we shall have the joy of welcoming Paul Mwasa into our parish family during the 6.00 pm Mass as he is baptised and receives the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. Please pray for him and for his family.

**Thank you** to everyone who came to the Parish Forum meeting last time. It is great that the Parish has such faithful and willing members, but it would be good to see new parishioners coming along in the future.

**We shall have a follow-up meeting this afternoon (Sunday), again at 4.00 pm.**

**The Parish Finance Committee still needs a new Chair** and I should love to hear your nominations, please.

**Being a Welcoming Church.** The final online meeting takes place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June, from 7.30 to 8.30 pm. The session is on Homelessness. There is no charge, just email [fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk) to register.

**CAFOD: update on the conflict in Sudan.** Violent conflict continues in Sudan and thousands of people are running out of food, water and medicine. Your previous donations to CAFOD are enabling our teams to help families who have escaped to neighbouring countries. Please pray for peace. For more go to <https://cafod.org.uk/news/emergencies-news/sudan-conflict>

**Pro-Life Film Night.** 7 for 7.15pm-10pm, Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Magdalen Road Church, The Old Schoolhouse, Hertford Street, Cowley, OX4 3AJ. Bring yourself and a Christian friend to this screening of the acclaimed pro-life film "Unplanned", based on a true story. Free parking. For more info and to RSVP visit <https://tinyurl.com/unplanned-film>, or contact Hannah at [christianfilmmight@gmail.com](mailto:christianfilmmight@gmail.com)

**Today is Day for Life.** 'Day for Life' is the day set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. The theme this year is **'Listen to Her'** and focuses on post-abortion trauma and the impact of abortion primarily on women, but also for men and others. Often the voices of women who have had an abortion are silent in Church and in society. This year's message is written by a woman and hopes to break this silence and offer opportunities for hope, healing, and reconciliation. You can find Jane's Story on [Day for Life - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://DayforLife-CatholicBishops-Conference.cbcew.org.uk) **There will be a second collection at Masses today** to support organisations which promote the protection of life as well as practical projects such as Rachel's Vineyard, and homes run by Life for pregnant mothers.

**Garden Party At Newman's College in Littlemore:** Next Saturday, 24th June, from 3.00 – 5.00 pm, there will be the traditional Garden Party at Newman's College. The Sisters welcome all to enjoy homemade cakes, various stalls, games, and much more. There will be live music by a string quartet. A guided tour of St. John Henry Newman's library and room will be offered at 4.00 pm. The funds raised at this event are for the upkeep of the College. Any donation of baked goods, crafts, or other things for sale are most welcome.

**A big thank you** to everyone who helped in any way with the First Holy Communions last weekend.

**Confirmation.** At the evening Mass next Thursday we shall be celebrating with Matt Caspe as he is confirmed prior to his marriage in the Philippines over the summer.

**Sponsored Walk.** You might be interested to hear that yesterday I walked around the boundary of Our Lady's parish to raise money for the renovation of the flooring. I was in a muck sweat for most of it - I've probably sweated off enough to make a curate - and my knees may never be the same again, but I got round.



**Tailpiece:** A child came into class one day, leaving the door wide open. "Who was born in a barn, then?" asked the teacher. "Jesus, Miss" came the innocent reply.

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

**Fr. Harry**