



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th July, 2023

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Sunday, 9 th July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Sea Sunday</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 Syro-Malabar Mass at Our Lady's)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Dennis McVeigh (Anniversary)</i> <i>Martin Malliagh</i> <i>Oluwafemi & Ifeoluwa</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i>
Monday, 10 th July	<i>(7.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Deanery Mass for Vocations at Blessed Dominic Barberi, Littlemore)	<i>Barney Cornway (Anniversary)</i> <i>Vocations</i>
Tuesday, 11 th July <i>Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot</i> <i>Day of Prayer for Europe</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>In Thanksgiving to Nossa Senhora de Fatima</i>
Wednesday, 12 th July	No Public Mass Today	<i>Florenca Guterres</i>
Thursday, 13 th July <i>Op. Memorial of St. Henry</i>	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	<i>Kathleen McGarry (Anniversary)</i>
Friday, 14 th July <i>Op. Mem. of St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <i>(7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>Teodorico Da Souza (Birthday)</i>
Saturday, 15 th July <i>Memorial of St. Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10.00 am Mass <i>(2.30 pm Mass at Our Lady's)</i> <i>(5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's)</i>	<i>Dec'd Members of the Da Silva Family</i> <i>Marion Nyambura</i> <i>Martinho Lopes Soares</i>
Sunday, 16 th July Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass <i>(11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's)</i> 6.00 pm Mass	<i>Jim Maguire (Anniversary)</i> <i>Deacon Ste (Ordination)</i> <i>The Cuddy Family</i>
Confessions: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm.; Saturday, 10.30 – 11.30 am		

Welcome to Sacred Heart 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.

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: Fr. Bernard Garratt, Angelique Moona, Olivia Ludbrook, Josie Dekkers, Thomas Ghee, Marion Nyambura, Isabel Da Costa Ferreira and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Canon Francis J. Grady, Frs. Michael Gaffney, Bernard Thomas Maddox, Brendan Mary Donlon, Anthony Maguire, Seamus Hetheron, John Molyneux, Plunkett Shannon, Edmund Whelan, Anthony John Burns and Brian Halton, Deacon Anthony Bateman, and also Onyema Anyanwu. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

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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.

Mission Unleashed: an event with Cardinal Tagle.

The Church has a mission but what is it? And how should we do it? Cardinal Tagle of the Philippines has responsibilities for evangelisation and mission in the Vatican and is an inspirational speaker. Join CAFOD online for **Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation – Friday, 14th July 7.00-8.00 pm**. To register and/or be sent the recording go to www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation. Please share with others.

Accommodation Required. A man has phoned asking if I can help him to find a room or flat with a Catholic family. If you can help please come and speak to me.

Pact (Prison Advice and Care Trust) is holding a roadshow on Saturday 15th July between 10.00 am and 1.30 pm in the Grimshaw Room at St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham. As Catholics, why do we support prisoners and their families? At the roadshow we will reflect on Catholic Social Teaching in the light of imprisonment. We will hear from people with experience of the criminal justice system. Prison chaplains and Pact services staff will speak about their work and the people we serve. The Welcome Directory is a small charity which supports faith communities to become places of welcome and acceptance for those leaving prison. Find out about how your parish might become such a place. You can register: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/pact-to-host-justpeople-roadshow-in-birmingham-saturday-15-july>

Sea Sunday. Today is Sea Sunday, when we are asked to pray for seafarers. There will be a second collection at Masses this weekend for Stella Maris (formally called Apostleship of the Sea), the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its work in helping seafarers in need with practical, spiritual, and emotional support, so please give as generously as you can. There are envelopes at the back of church for those who can gift aid their donation or you can donate by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.00. Thank you.

Vacancy: Cleaner wanted for the church hall, the kitchen area and the parish office. We need someone who can

- Keep the kitchen spotless (including the oven, fridge and cupboards)
- Empty the bins
- Make sure the floor of the hall is swept and chairs and tables are clean and tidy
- Clean the windows and glass (inside)
- Clean toilets and restock when needed
- Clean the parish office.

£12 per hour. 3 hours/week. Flexible times. Apply to me, closing date: 30th July.

Parish Day-out to Bournemouth. I am planning a parish trip to Bournemouth on Tuesday, 25th July. Adults £20, children £10, with free travel for those who received First Holy Communion or were Confirmed this year. Children must be accompanied by an adult. If you are interested please sign the sheet at the back of church.

Deanery Mass for Vocations, Monday, 10th July, at 7.00 pm, in Blessed Dominic Barberi Church, Littlemore. As the Archbishop wrote in his latest Pastoral Letter, each Deanery has been allocated a month to pray for and promote vocations. July is our month in the Oxford North Deanery. All are welcome to the Deanery Mass at Blessed Dominic on Monday evening, and it would be good if many could attend, please.

Tailpiece: An elderly priest was looking in a cupboard in the sacristy before Mass one Sunday and he found a small box containing 3 eggs and 20 £5 notes. He asked the sacristan about the box and its contents. Embarrassed, she explained to him that every time he delivered a poor sermon, she placed an egg into the box. The priest felt that 3 poor sermons in 30 years was nothing to feel too bad about, so he asked about the £100.00. She replied, "Whenever I got a dozen eggs, I sold them for £1!"

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