



CORPUS CHRISTI, ST. ALPHONSUS AND ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC CHURCH OUR LADY OF LOURDES, WHEATLEY



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St Gregory the Great Secondary School. T: 01865 749933

Sunday 19th August 2018 The Twentieth Sunday of the Year

Saturday Our Lady of Lourdes 6.00 pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday Corpus Christi 9.00 am

Corpus Christi 11.00am Nevin, Anna & Family
Ann Sade Shania Marcelle
6.30pm

Feast/Intention	Corpus Christi	The Priory
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Weekday Masses; Cycle B: Breviary Week 4

Monday 20 th	9.15am St. Bernard. Private intention	6.30pm
Tuesday 21 th	9.15am St. Pius X	6.30pm
Wednesday 22 nd	9.15am Queenship of Bl. Virgin Mary	6.30pm
Thursday 23 rd	No morning Mass St. John Wall	6.30pm
Friday 24 th	9.15am St. Bartholomew	6.30pm
Saturday 25 th	10.00am	

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

25 th	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm For the People of the Parish
Sunday 26 th	Corpus Christi	9.00 am
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am
	Corpus Christi	6.30 pm Filcom Children's Choir

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday 10.30 to 11.00 am or any time at call.

Baptisms by appointment, normally first Sunday of the month at 12.30 pm.

Marriages normally require six months' notice.

Scripture Reflection

Jesus continues to insist to the crowd and to those who oppose him that he is the living bread from heaven who gives eternal life to those who eat and drink his flesh and blood. The word life and living occur eleven times in these verses (Gospel: John 6:51-58). The luscious banquet given by Lady Wisdom is food for all and here the ignorant become wise (First Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6). St. Paul urges the community to be alive with the Spirit (Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips' (Ps 33/24:1).

You may like to say this as a meditation on your Rosary.

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday Ezekiel 24:15-24; Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday Ezekiel 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30
Wednesday Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday 2 Corinthians 6:4-10; Luke 18:28-30
Friday Apocalypse 21:9-14; John 1:45-51
Saturday Ezekiel 43:1-7; Matthew 23:1-12

PARISH NOTICES

Catholic Quiz: Last week's answer: There is debate: Jerusalem or Ephesus. This week's question 'Which important city was conquered by the Muslims in 1453?'

Next weekend there will be a Mission Appeal from the Comboni Fathers. Fr. Benito will be preaching at all the Masses.

Please check each week in the Newsletter whether or not there is Mass at the Priory.

Please park legally in the streets around the Church. We have had some **complaints recently from our neighbours.**

Please ensure that your mobile phones are switched off during Mass. They can be a great distraction.

If anyone, or you know of anyone who is thinking about becoming a Catholic please see Fr. Mervyn.

Gift Aid: would you please consider – if you are a tax payer – signing the Gift Aid form and handing it in to the Parish.

Volunteers for the Hospitals: volunteers are needed to help support the Chaplaincy team at the Hospitals, visiting the patients and on occasions taking Holy Communion to them. If anyone feels they would like to help, please see Fr. Mervyn. Volunteers are also needed for the League of Friends to help in the Cafeterias and Tea shops.

Vocations Promotion Outreach Fieldworkers: The Vocations Office are seeking to employ two fieldworkers, 35 hours per week, £25,000 p.a. Please see the Notice Board for details.

LIVE SIMPLY – SHARE THE JOURNEY: Parish Website: There is now a new tab on the website (www.corpuschristiheadington.co.uk) entitled Parish News which will carry stories about parish life. Currently there is a report of the Parish Live Simply pilgrimage 'Share the Journey' on 22 July, with a link to over 30 photographs which can be downloaded, and a

report on the unveiling of the blue plaque on St. Ignatius Chapel, St. Clements (31 July). If you have a news story with photographs, please email it to corpus.OLLnews@gmail.com – you will find a link to this email address from the Parish News tab.

Congratulations to Mrs. Tomkys, all the teachers, governors and students at **St. Joseph's School**. The recent OFSTED inspection judgment was 'Good' and the Inspector was extremely complimentary about the broad range of the curriculum to help the children flourish.

St. Gregory the Great Secondary School: despite some adverse press, St. Gregory's School is setting things in place for substantial improvement. Mr. Sean Tucker, the acting Head and the SLT have produced a solid School Improvement Plan and the Committee members (governors) have re-organized their structure to correspond with this. St. Gregory's is the only Catholic Secondary school in Oxford and we need to help it to flourish.

Ride & Stride in aid of Historic Churches will take place on 8th September. Sponsorship forms for anyone who wishes to take part, and other relevant paperwork, are at the back of the churches.

'Adoremus' in Liverpool: 9th September 2018. There is a Deanery coach from Oxford on Sunday September 9th for Mass with Cardinal Vincent Nichols in Liverpool Cathedral. This will leave Oxford Oratory at 7.00am, call at Pear Tree Park and Ride and will return about 9.00pm. If anyone would like to go, would you please email Fr. Mervyn.

Confirmation June 1st 2019: if your child is in Year 6 then would you please complete the registration form for Confirmation. If anyone else needs to be Confirmed then would he/she also fill in a form. Confirmation is not an optional Sacrament - it is required to be a full member of the Church. Forms for registration for **First Holy Communion** will be available soon.

Vincentian Volunteers: Are you aged between 18-35? Have you ever wanted to spend a year making a real difference in the community? Have you thought about trying to live out Gospel values in a faith-filled community: If the answer to these questions is yes, then become a Vincentian Volunteer – living in community, serving the needy in our society and living out your faith practically. Spend a year that will change your life. If you want to know more then visit www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk

Thursday Lunch Club: Thank you for all the lovely raffle prizes, very gratefully received. Do you know an elderly person living alone in Headington? They might like to come to the lunch club, for a home cooked meal and some company. For more details please ring Anna Brooke, 01865 760773.

Data Protection: Would you please inform us if you do not wish your data that we have collected through Census Forms or other means to be used to contact you.

Parish Hall: if anyone would like to book the Parish Hall, the contact for bookings is Peter Selwood in the Parish Office on 01865 762433 on Monday or Wednesday morning or email any time on catholicheadington@gmail.com.

Coffee after 9am Sunday Mass: Thank you to all who have offered to help. We can now offer coffee after every 9.00 Sunday Mass. Please do stay and chat if you can!

Reminiscences by Fr. John are on the Parish Website.

Offertories : 12th August: Loose: £580.09 Gift Aid: £249.56

With thanks for all your generosity to the Parish and to charity.

There is 24/7 Live Internet Camera operating in Corpus Christi Church. Please see the Parish website for further information.

Please pray for

The sick and the housebound: Archie Allen, Carol Ayrton, Fr. John Baggley, Patricia Barfield, Margaret Bond, Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, John Claydon, Nicholas Coote, David Diggins, Michael Dolan, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, Dominic Gondreau, Yvonne Goonesekara, Mario Kim (Fr Paul Kim's father), Joan Knatt, Rene Hilland, Theresa Johnson, Cynthia & Colville Lobendhan, Sandra Lockyer, Victoria Maceda, Carmel McGarry, R. J. Matava, Averil Nathaniels, Ameia Padua, Celine Peiris, Peter Perera, Alba Thorning, Jack Tilley, Ruth Tilley, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Pat Walsh, Liz Ward, Louise Williams. Please pray for all who have recently died, especially Gabriela Lim.

Parish Team Members

Parish Safeguarding: Kate Gills

Gift Aid: Pat Warnock

Health and Safety: John Kelly

**Eucharistic Ministers Co-ordinators:
Freda (Wheatley); Various (Corpus Christi)**

Finance Committee: Chris Barrie

Readers at Corpus Christi: Zenobia

Parish Administrator: Peter Selwood

Readers at Wheatley: Marc Lafferty

Parish Secretary: Freda Duckmanton

**Music: 9.00 am Kate; 11.00 Leo & Randy 6.30 pm
Clare**

Altar Servers: Chris Barrie

Mosaic: Francesco

Parish Hall: Peter Selwood

**Lunch Club: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Anna
and Richard Brooke 01865 760773**

Prayer for the Preparation of Mass

God our Father you call us to gather for this Sunday Mass.

Help us to draw strength from the Holy Scriptures and from the Holy Eucharist, so that we deepen our love for you.

May we be enlivened by the Holy Spirit to mirror the words and actions of your Son Jesus Christ

and become more clearly your instruments of mercy to others.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.