



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



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**Corpus Christi Church
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**Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
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Sunday 5th August 2018 The Eighteenth Sunday of the Year

Saturday	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	Corpus Christi	9.00 am	Colette Fahy
	Corpus Christi	11.00am	Joao Baptista/Cruz&Gomes Family/Leonila Dolores
		6.30 pm	

Feast/Intention	Corpus Christi	The Priory
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Weekday Masses; Cycle B: Breviary Week 2

There is no Mass this Monday at St. Luke's

Monday 6th	11.30am Transfiguration. Requiem:Marie Therese Goulding	6.30pm
Tuesday 7th	9.15am	6.30pm
Wednesday 8th	9.15am St. Dominic. Special Intention	6.30pm
Thursday 9th	No morning Mass St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	6.30pm
Friday 10th	9.15am St. Lawrence	6.30pm
Saturday 11th	10.00am St. Clare	

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday 12th	Corpus Christi	9.00 am	
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am	
	Corpus Christi	6.30 pm	

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

After the Feeding of the 5,000 John tells us that Jesus escaped from the crowd. But the crowd search for him and find him. Later we are told that he has gone into the Synagogue in Capernaum. Here he begins the great discourse on the Bread of Life. He goes from the desire of the crowd for earthly bread to that which gives real life, which is Jesus himself (Gospel: John 6:24-35). Manna is given by God to the people in the desert as they continue to complain about their lot (First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4.12-15)). St. Paul talks of the 'spiritual revolution' that is necessary for the new Christians (Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17.20-24).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'Mere men ate the bread of angels' (Ps 78:25).
You may like to say this as a meditation on your Rosary.

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 or 2 Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10
Tuesday Jeremiah 30:1-2,12-15,18-22; Matthew 14:22-36
Wednesday Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28
Thursday Esther 4: 17; Matthew 25:1-13
Friday 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26
Saturday Habbakkuk 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20

PARISH NOTICES

Catholic Quiz: Last week's answer: Oxfordshire, Worcestershire, Warwickshire, Staffordshire and the West Midlands. This week's question 'Where were the disciples first called Christians?'

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.

Fairtrade: Today there is a Fair Trade stall with goods for sale after each Mass. Please do support this if you can.

LIVE SIMPLY – SHARE THE JOURNEY Sporting "Share the Journey" badges and carrying the Lampedusa Cross, 91 parishioners from Corpus Christi Oxford and Our Lady of

Lourdes Wheatley spent a sunny Sunday afternoon contributing 249 miles, one hundredth of the distance around the globe (24,900 miles), to the CAFOD Share the Journey totaliser, now on its fourth journey around the world. The Parish Pilgrimage was part of the Parish's commitment to respond to Pope Francis's invitation in Laudato Si to "work with generosity and tenderness in protecting this world which God has entrusted to us" by reflecting on our lives in order to live simply, sustainably with creation, and in solidarity with people in poverty. The Parish is working towards CAFOD's Live Simply Award.

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.

'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 : 29th July Loose: **£644.50** Gift Aid: **£183.70**

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 Gretta Guy, Hazel Elleston, Charles McGarrity, James Moore, Margaret Coogan, Marie-Therese Goulding and Gabriella 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.