



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



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Our Lady of Lourdes Church,
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28th April 2019 Second Sunday of Easter

	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm Greta Guy
Sunday	Corpus Christi	9.00 am Hugh & Eileen McGovern
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am Emeline Keown & Family
		6.30 pm Thanksgiving

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

Monday	29 th	9.15am St.Catherine of Siena. Johny Brennan	6.30pm
Tuesday	30 th	9.15am St.George. Elizabeth & Timothy Butler	6.30pm
Wednesday	1 st May	9.15am Johny Brennan	6.30pm
Thursday	2 nd	No morning Mass St.Athanasius	6.30pm
Friday	3 rd	9.15am Ss.Philip & James. In Thanksgiving	6.30pm
Saturday	4 th	10.00am English Martyrs	

A short period of Adoration and then Benediction normally take place immediately after the 9.15am Mass on Fridays.

Third Sunday of Easter

4 th	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm Sian Stow
5 th	Corpus Christi	9.00 am Muriel Bean
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am For the People of the Parish
	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

The first appearance of the Risen Lord to the assembled disciples in the Upper Room is when he bestows on them the power of the Holy Spirit for reconciliation. Thomas' absence on this occasion and subsequent disbelief leads to his total profession of faith when Jesus appears on the following Sunday (Gospel: John 20:19-31). The Acts narrates the rapid growth of the Church in the days after Pentecost and also the respect shown to Peter (First Reading: Acts 5:12-16). We begin this week end selected readings from the last book of the Scriptures. John, in exile on Patmos, is lifted up by the vision of Jesus (Second Reading: Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: "This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad" (Ps 117/118:24).

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

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	1 John 1:5-2:2, Matthew 11:25-30
Tuesday	Apocalypse 12:10-12; Second Reading either John 15:18-21 or John 15:1-18
Wednesday	Acts 5:17-26; John 3:31-36
Thursday	Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36
Friday	1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14
Saturday	Acts 7:55-60; Matthew 10:17-20

PARISH NOTICES

A very blessed and wonderful Eastertide to you all. May the love, hope and joy of the Risen Lord be with you and your families and friends. Fr. Mervyn.

Thank you so much for your cards, presents and offerings to me personally. Fr. Mervyn

Easter Egg Hunt: Where? In the garden of The Priory, 85 Old High Street. When? Sunday 28th April (12th May if wet on 28th April) Time? 12.15pm.

The Catholic Handicapped Fellowship Oxford – CHF Oxford – will be attending the 6.30pm Mass on Sunday April 28th and will have its AGM in the Hall after Mass from 8-9pm.

Priory Prayers: You are invited to join us for Ecumenical Prayers at the Priory, Old Headington, on Monday 29th April, 7.45pm, led by members of Cornerstone Church. Everyone welcome!

On Sunday 5th May, children are invited to bring flowers from home to place at the Mary Altar during the last hymn at any of the Sunday Masses.

Secular Franciscan Order, Oxford Fraternity Open Day of Recollection on Saturday 18th May from 9.30-16.00, at Mornese Centre, Elmthorpe Convent, Oxford Road, Cowley, Oxford, OX4 2LF. Bring Packed Lunch. Suggested offering £10. Open to all. Further information: Michael Martin, Tel: 01235 526346

Advance Noticed: Curry Night on 22nd June at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall. Tickets £10.

Please read the Letter to the Parishioners about the building work in the Quiet Room and the Presbytery.

St. Gregory the Great School: Deputy Head: This post is now being advertised. Closing date for applications Monday May 13th (9.00am); interviews: Wednesday May 22nd.

Oxford City-Wide Mission: May 25th – June 14th 2020. More details later. Prayer Cards at back of churches.

St. Gregory the Great School: we are looking for new governors. If anyone is interested please contact Fr. Mervyn. Governors can make a real contribution and difference to our children's education.

Nuffield Hospital: if anyone would be able to help with the taking of Holy Communion to the sick in hospital would she/he please contact Fr. Mervyn. If he/she is not yet a Eucharistic Minister this can be arranged.

Thank you to all who bought a CD of Corpus Christi Children's Choir singing Christmas music. Thank you most importantly to Lizel and all the children and adults who made this possible. We have raised over £3,500 for the Parish through the sales.

Church Cleaners: Please check the list each week so that the Church is cleaned regularly.

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** (Year 3 children or above) are also available. First Holy Communion will be on Sunday June 16th 2019.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: September 3rd – 11th 2019. It will officially be a Diocesan pilgrimage and Bishop David McGough will be coming. But we could have a substantial number from Corpus Christi and Oxford if we start to book early enough. The itinerary and price are the same as last year: all inclusive for £1496.00 (+ £355 for single room). This is a very good price for 5 nights in Bethlehem and 3 nights in Tiberius. Posters and booking forms are at the entrance to the Churches. Join us before you are too old or dead for the experience of a life-time!!

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.

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

The contactless machine takes donations of £2.00, £5.00 and £10.00. It is an easy way to donate to the Parish if you would like to use it.

Parish Website: please send anything of interest to the Parish to the address under Parish News on the website. Fr. Mervyn's homily from last Sunday about four 'marks' of the Church is on audio on the website.

Please remember people in need in Oxfordshire and bring a donation if possible for the Foodbank Box at the back of the Churches.

Community Emergency Foodbank, Oxford: Donations of tinned and packet food can be left in the Foodbank box at the back of both Churches. Since the introduction of Universal Credit to Oxford in 2017 there has been a 27% increase in the number of referrals to this foodbank. More information about their work can be found at <http://www.cefoxford.co.uk> Financial donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/communityemergency-foodbank

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School: requires a new Deputy Headteacher. Please see notice board at back of Church.

The League of Friends at the JR are short of volunteers. Anyone interested please contact David Simpson on 01865 220997, email LeagueOfFriends-JR@ouh.nhs.uk

Children's safety: the Parish Council is concerned that for their safety children are not allowed to run freely around during Mass. Please also be careful about children going outside the Church and Hall and running into the road.

Journey in Faith: if anyone would like to know more about the Church or is thinking of becoming a Catholic, then please contact Fr. Mervyn.

Friends of the Holy Land: Please contact Denis Duggan at dgd73uk@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to join this group.

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. It is now a

requirement that everyone whose name is on the parish sick list actively agrees that it is there. Would you please help to ensure that a relative/friend on the list is informed about this.

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.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel: St. Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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!

Offertories : Holy Places. Good Friday £249.11

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 pray for

The sick and the housebound: Archie Allen, Carol Ayrton, Fr. John Baggley, Patricia Barfield, Margaret Bond, Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, Nicholas Coote, Diana Diamond, 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 Victoria Maceda, Carmel McGarry, R. J. Matava, Averil Nathaniels, Ameia Padua, Anna Panter, 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 Kevin Tod, Vera Barker and Sian Stow

Parish Team Members

Parish Safeguarding: Kate Gills

Gift Aid: Pat Warnock

Health and Safety: John Kelly

Eucharistic Ministers Co-ordinators:

Finance Committee: Chris Barrie

Freda (Wheatley); Various (Corpus Christi)

Parish Administrator: Peter Selwood

Readers at Corpus Christi: Zenobia

Parish Secretary: Freda Duckmanton

Readers at Wheatley: Marc Lafferty

Altar Servers: Chris Barrie

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

Parish Hall: Peter Selwood

Mosaic: Francesco

Lunch Club: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Katya Drummond 01865 763161

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.

