



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



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12th May 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter

	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm
Sunday	Corpus Christi	9.00 am Yebra Family
	Corpus Christi	11.00 am For the People of the Parish
		6.30 pm

Weekday Masses; Cycle C: Breviary: Week 4

		Corpus Christi	The Priory
Monday	13 th	9.15am	6.30pm
Tuesday	14 th	9.15am	6.30pm
Wednesday	15 th St. Matthias	9.15am	6.30pm
Thursday	16 th	No morning Mass	6.30pm
Friday	17 th	9.15am	6.30pm
Saturday	18 th	10.00am	

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

There is 24/7 Live Internet Camera operating in Corpus Christi Church.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Saturday	18 th	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.00 pm
Sunday	19 th	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

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is always known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Each year there is an extract from John 10, which is all about Jesus as the shepherd of his people. Today the verses emphasize the eternal life that the shepherd gives to his sheep (Gospel: John 10:27-30). The second section of Acts concentrates on the mission and teaching of St. Paul, sometimes along with Barnabas. A decisive move occurs in Antioch when they turn away from the Synagogue towards the gentiles (First Reading: Acts 13:14,43-52). John gives hope and courage to the early Christians under persecution as he opens up the vision of the wonder of heaven (Second Reading: Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: “Indeed how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love” (Ps 99/100:5). You may like to say this as a meditation on your Rosary.

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10
Tuesday	Acts 1:15-17; John 15:9-17
Wednesday	Acts 12:24-13:5; John 12:44-50
Thursday	Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20
Friday	Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6
Saturday	Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14

PARISH NOTICES

This weekend there is the annual retiring collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

Reminder

The Live Simply Book of Recipes and Tips: Recipes and tips (with contact details) can be left in the box at the back of the church or emailed to livesimplyrecipe@gmail.com Join Fr. Mervyn in sharing your favourite simple recipes and respond to Pope Francis’s plea that we should never throw away left over food. Don’t delay – do it today!

Next weekend, at the Sunday Masses, 18/19th May, Stephen, who is the Youth Officer for Oxfordshire, is going to talk about possible youth activities for the Deanery. On June 30th there will be pizza and input for young people from Year 6 upwards in the Hall.

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

The Quiet Room will not be able to be used from this **Sunday 12th May** for about two weeks. A fire escape door needs to be fitted.

Wheatley Area Churches Annual General Meeting. Wheatley residents – please come to the AGM to be held in the Merry Bells on Sunday 19 May. Bring and share lunch at 12.30pm. AGM at 1.30pm. All welcome.

Monday May 20th 7.00pm: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting.

Tuesday May 21st 7.00pm: Parish Finance Committee Meeting.

Dates for the Diary: On Pentecost weekend Mass June 8th – 9th the Readings and Prayers will be in a variety of the languages of our community. There will be a Bring and Share lunch after the 11.00am Mass.

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

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. **English Teacher** with GCSE and A Level Experience required to start September 2019. **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.

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

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.

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

Confirmation June 1st 2019 at 6.00pm: First Holy Communion will be on Sunday June 16th 2019.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: September 3rd – 11th 2019. This is now full.

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.

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.ceford.co.uk> Financial donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/communityemergency-foodbank

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 : 5th May: Loose £676.27. Gift Aid: £218

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

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.