



CORPUS CHRISTI

ST. ALPHONSUS AND ST. MARGARET RC CHURCH

Margaret Road, Headington, OX3 8AJ

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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We are a



Parish

Welcome

visitors and new Parishioners!

If you have moved to the area, or have recently joined our Church Community, please speak to Fr Mervyn and take one of the welcome leaflets from the back of the Church. There is also a Registration Form (which also includes a Gift Aid registration form) which we hope you will complete for the Parish records.

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.

Dates for your diary

TODAY: Sun 23 June: After the 11.00 am Mass there will be our customary Blessed Sacrament Procession with Benediction on the lawn. If wet, this will be inside the Church.

Mon 24 June: Day of Prayer for Vocations.

1 The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 9.15am Mass until 1.00pm. There is a list in the Church for signing if you are able to commit to prayer for 30 mins.

2 Priory Prayers (see over)

3 Talk by CAFOD Partner: new dangers in the Brazilian Amazon. (see over)

Thurs 27 June 6.15pm The annual Inter-Religious walk from the Synagogue in Richmond Rd ending up at the main Mosque. All welcome

Fri 28 June: GREGFEST (see over)

Sun 30 June: Soul Food (see over). **Young people must bring a signed permission letter with them, copies available at back of Church.**

Offertory Collections

Sunday 9 June

Gift Aid £235.75; Loose £1168.87

Sunday 16 June

Gift Aid £294.50; Loose £950.77

2nd Collection, Day for Life: £88.55

Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Times: Solemnity of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; Corpus et Sanguinis Christi

Saturday 22 June	Wheatley	6.00pm	Annie Lyons
Sunday 23 June	Corpus Christi	9.00am	Emidio Bianchini
		11.00am	In Thanksgiving
		6.30pm	Grzegorz Niemiuszcy, Elzbieta Niemiuszcy

Weekday Masses; Year 1 Breviary Week 3.

	Corpus Christi	Intention	The Priory*	
Monday 24	9.15am	People of the Parish	6.30pm	
Tuesday 25	9.15am	Special Intention	6.30pm	<i>* Please check each week in the Newsletter whether or not there is Mass at the Priory.</i>
Wednesday 26	9.15am	Jose Garcia Valente/Caibo	6.30pm	
		Lale family/Ledae family	6.30pm	
Thursday 27	No morning Mass		6.30pm	
Friday 28	9.15am	Private Intention	6.30pm	
Saturday 29	10.00am			
	12.30pm	Baptism		

Adoration and Benediction normally follow the 9.15am Mass on Fridays.

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

Next weekend: 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

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Sunday 23 June	Corpus Christi	9.00am	People of the Parish
		11.00am	
		6.30pm	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Sat 10.30 to 11.00 am and on call.

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

Marriages normally require six months' notice.

Scripture Reflection

We are fortunate to have Corpus Christi as the primary dedication of our Parish. The Church teaches that the Eucharist is the "Source and Summit" of all that we do as Catholic Christians. The Eucharist – both in its Celebration and in the Blessed Sacrament – continues the presence on earth, here and now, of the Risen Christ amongst us. The words of the Consecration at Mass use those of the Lord at the Last Supper, which is foreshadowed in the Feeding of the 5,000. The actions of Jesus – take, bless, break and give – are the ones at the Last Supper (Gospel: Luke 9:11-17). The oldest account of the Last Supper is that which we read from Paul (2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26). The bread and wine brought by the priest Melchizedek to Abraham are a sign of the mystery to come (1st Reading: Genesis 14:18-20)

Psalm prayer: "You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old" (Ps 119/110:4). You may like to say this as a meditation on your Rosary.

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1: 57-66, 80	Thursday	Genesis 16:1-12, 15-16 (Gen 16:6-12, 15-16); Matthew 7:21-29
Tuesday	Genesis 13:2, 5-18; Matthew 7:6, 12-14	Friday	Ezekiel 34:11-16; Romans 5:5-11; Luke 15:3-7
Wednesday	Genesis 15:1-2, 17-18; Matthew 7:15-20	Saturday	Genesis 18:1-5; Lk 1; Luke 2:41-51

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.

Parish Notices

Priory Prayers - Tomorrow Monday 24 June

It's our turn to lead the monthly Priory Prayers tomorrow. Please come along and take the opportunity to pray Night Prayer with our fellow local Christians, followed by light refreshments.

Where?: The Priory, Old Headington

When?: Monday 24 June, 7.45pm

Not been before? It doesn't matter - everybody welcome!

Amazonia under Bolsonaro's government: New risks for forests and forest defenders Monday 24 June, 11am-12noon

Queen Elizabeth House

Seminar Room 3, 3 Mansfield Road OX1 3TB.

CAFOD Partner, José Batista Afonso, is a land rights lawyer in the Brazilian Amazon. He has worked on high profile cases of human rights abuses and killings linked to land rights conflicts. He is speaking in Oxford tomorrow about the new risks facing the Brazilian Amazon. All welcome.

More details: <https://www.qeh.ox.ac.uk/node/25739>



FRIENDS OF ST GREGS & THE ST GREGS PTA PRESENT
GREGFEST 2019
FEATURING ALL THE OLD FAVOURITES:
SPORTS FINALS, SPLAT THE RAT, SOAK THE TEACHER, CAKE STALLS,
BBQ, PENALTY SHOOTOUT, ICE CREAM, FACE PAINT STALL,
WELLY WANGING & GO-KARTS
FRIDAY 28TH JUNE 4.30 - 7.30
ADMISSION 50P (FAMILIES £2)

Aged 11-18? Soul Food is next Sunday.

Soul Food is a new, monthly initiative for young people in Oxford, starting next Sunday, 12.15pm – 2pm at Corpus Christi. The afternoon involves, icebreakers, activities, discussion, a short talk pitched at young people, prayer and very importantly **PIZZA**. It's completely free and it's open to all young people aged 11-18. **Young people attending must bring signed permission letter with them, copies available at back of Church.**



Contact details for Parish Groups can be found in the welcome leaflet at the back of the Churches.

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, Margaret McHugh, R. J. Matava, Averil Nathaniels, Ameia Padua, Celine Peiris, Peter Perera, Rachel Smith, Alba Thorning, Jack Tilley, Ruth Tilley, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Pat Walsh, Liz Ward, Louise Williams.

and all who have recently died, especially Annie Lyons.

This week is Refugee Week (17 – 23 June)...

..where we celebrate the contribution of refugees and migrants in our communities, and ask what it's like to be a refugee in the UK.

At present people seeking asylum in the UK are effectively banned from working. A Coalition of Churches is campaigning for asylum seekers to have the right to work after 6 months enhancing dignity, providing a route out of poverty, and saving public funds.

Please support the campaign by signing the petition at www.jointpublicissues.org.uk/issues/asylum-and-migration/lifftheban/



Sponsored Sleepout - Saturday 6 July

Peter and Sula will be sleeping out for the homeless and we hope that parishioners will sponsor them. There are two ways you can do this, either by using the just giving link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sula-wiltshire> or by signing the forms at the back of church.

As is very apparent homelessness is unfortunately becoming more common. All monies raised will be managed by Aspire which supports the homeless.

Thank you in anticipation of your support for this needy cause.

Coffee after Mass

Please stay for coffee to meet other parishioners after 6pm Mass at Wheatley, and 9am, 11am and 6.30pm Masses at Corpus Christi.

Gift Aid - every £1 becomes £1.25 If you are a tax-payer, please consider signing the Gift Aid form which enables us to claim back the tax you have paid on your donations. The new Registration form at the back of the Church has a Gift Aid form which you can complete and return to Fr Mervyn or Pat Warnock, the Gift Aid Organiser.

Nuffield Hospital: Can you help by taking Holy Communion to those in this hospital? Please contact Fr. Mervyn. Commissioning as a Eucharistic Minister can be arranged.

Churchill Hospital: The League of Friends are in need of any willing volunteers.

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

Children's safety: the Parish Council is concerned that for their safety children are not allowed to run freely around during Mass.

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.



Parking: Please park legally in the streets around the Church; neighbours, understandably, are concerned.

Mobile Phones: Please ensure that your mobile phones are silent during Mass.



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