



# CORPUS CHRISTI

ST. ALPHONSUS AND ST. MARGARET RC CHURCH

Margaret Road, Headington, OX3 8AJ

OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

Crown Road, Wheatley, OX33 1UL

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**Parish schools:**

St Joseph's Primary School; 01865 763357.

St Gregory the Great Secondary School; 01865 749933.

## Mass Times: 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Saturday 6 July	Wheatley	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 7 July	Corpus Christi	9.00am	Jacob/Dado Macasero
		11.00am	Yebra Family
		6.30pm	Leanoro de Araujo

## Weekday Masses; Year 1 Breviary Week 2.

	Corpus Christi	Intention	The Priory**	<i>Please check each week in the Newsletter whether or not there is Mass at the Priory.</i>
Monday 8	9.15am	Mr and Mrs Connelly	6.30pm	
Tuesday 9	9.15am	Mr and Mrs Connelly	6.30pm	
Wednesday 10	9.15am	Mr and Mrs Connelly	6.30pm	
Thursday 11	<b>No morning Mass</b>		6.30pm	
Friday 12	9.15am	Mr and Mrs Connelly	6.30pm	
Saturday 13	10.00am	Special Intention (Bean Family)		

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: 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

There will be a Second Collection for The Apostleship of the Sea

Saturday 13 July	Wheatley	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 14 July	Corpus Christi	9.00am	Special Intention (Bean Family)
		11.00am	Nevin, Anna, Kriss and Leon
		6.30pm	Graham Rennie

**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.

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

#### Next Weekend 13 & 14 July

#### All Masses:

#### Live Simply Creation Celebration

Mass to give thanks for the gift of creation and pray for our common home.

What can we do to reduce our carbon footprint? (see over)

#### Offertory Collections

#### Sunday 30 June

Gift Aid £183.10      Loose £624.28

Peter Pence £185.36

**Thank you for your generosity.**

#### Websites

Speaking on the importance of Communications, Pope Francis reminded us recently that the digital world is a vital place of meeting and encounter which he describes as a gift from God. As a gift, our websites offers a unique window into the life of the local church as well as an opportunity to share our Catholic faith more widely.

Parish: [www.corpuschristiheadington.co.uk](http://www.corpuschristiheadington.co.uk)

Diocese: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

Global: [www.vaticannews.va/en.html](http://www.vaticannews.va/en.html)

## Scripture Reflection

After all the Feasts following Easter, we now return to the Ordinary Sundays of the Year and the semi-continuous readings from Luke and Galatians. The sending out of the seventy two is unique to Luke and would mirror the missionary activity of the early Church. The Lord emphasizes detachment and the nearness of the Kingdom to all who welcome the missionaries. Those who reject the seventy two are equally rejected – a way of contrasting those who do accept – but to these also the kingdom is to be preached as very near (Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20). The third section of Isaiah (Chapters 56-66) was composed after the Return from Exile (537 BC) and looks to the total transformation of Jerusalem to whom all will come with joy (1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14). In the last verses of his letter, Paul re-iterates what he has been teaching. The Cross unites Jew and Gentile (2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18)..

**Psalm prayer: "Cry out with joy to God all the earth" (Ps 65/66:1))** You may like meditate on this on your Rosary.

### Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Genesis 28:10-22; Matthew 9:18-26	Thursday	Proverbs 2:1-9; Ps 33; Matthew 19:27-29
Tuesday	Genesis 32:23-33; Matthew 9:32-38	Friday	Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 36; Matthew 10:16-20
Wednesday	Genesis 41:55-57, 42:5-7, 17-24; Matthew 10:1-7	Saturday	Genesis 49:29-33 50:15-26; Ps 104; Matthew 10:24-38

## 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



### All Masses, next weekend Live Simply Creation Celebration

*"We need a conversation... the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all."*

Pope Francis, Laudato Si'

Next weekend, Saturday 13 July and Sunday 14 July, we will be celebrating Creation Masses to give thanks for the gift of creation and to pray for our common home. For our next Live Simply Action, we want to reduce the effects of climate change by reducing our carbon footprint.

**How can we do this?** – If you are able, perhaps you could you leave your car at home next week and aim for a Car Free Weekend? Perhaps as a family or as individuals you could walk or cycle instead? Can you suggest other ways in which we as a Parish can our reduce our carbon footprint? We will give some ideas next weekend - and ask for your ideas too!

## Please Help - Regular Parish Donations to Community Emergency Foodbank



For families whose children receive free school meals, the summer holidays can put a great strain on the family budget and many families are forced to turn for help to the Community Emergency Foodbank (CEF) Oxford.

At the moment the CEF warehouse needs the following items:

**Fruit juice UHT Milk Sugar Small coffee**

**Tinned peas, carrots, potatoes** (we have plenty of sweetcorn).

**Tinned meat** (we have plenty of fish).

**Sauces (pasta or curry sauces) Rice pudding Custard.**

**Toiletries:** shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, tooth brushes, toilet roll.

**Please leave donations in the box at the back of the Church**

**The Community Emergency Foodbank is open at:**

**St Francis Church, Hollow Way, OX3 7JP**

**on Tuesdays and Fridays between 12 noon and 2pm.**

Unfortunately it is not possible to self refer. Anyone in need of support can be referred by Citizens Advice Bureau, GP, health worker, family centre or social worker.

**More information at: [cexford.co.uk](http://cexford.co.uk)**

## IICSA Update - from the Archbishop of Birmingham

We are committed to continuing to improve our safeguarding procedures and to listen to and learn from victims and survivors. Past failings must never happen again.

Diocesan response to the report: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/archdiocese-of-birmingham-involvement-in-iicsa>

If you have a safeguarding matter to report please contact the Archdiocese safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or via email: [safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:safeguarding@rc-birmingham.org).

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.**



### Sponsored Sleepout - Saturday 6 July

**It is not too late to sponsor Peter and Sula** for their sleep-out for the homeless either by using the just giving link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sula-wiltshire>

or by signing the forms at the back of church. All monies raised will be managed by Aspire which supports the homeless.

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

### Villa Palazzola

is a magnificent building in a magnificent site on Lake Albano opposite the Papal Palace at Castel Gandolfo. It is owned by the Venerable English College in Rome. It is open all-year round (with some restrictions) and is available to book for individuals, families or any groups for holidays and retreats etc. It is highly recommended by your Parish Priest! As students in Rome, we used to call the Villa 'L'Antecamera del Paradiso' – the Antechamber of Paradise! Visit [www.palazzola.it](http://www.palazzola.it) for more details.

### Best view in Italy!



**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.



### 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.

**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.

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