



CORPUS CHRISTI
ST. ALPHONSUS AND ST. MARGARET RC CHURCH
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OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH
 Crown Road, Wheatley, OX33 1UL
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We welcome everybody, especially new parishioners and visitors, to our Church.

We are a lively multi-cultural Church community, proud to be a Fairtrade Parish, currently working towards the CAFOD Live Simply Award. If you have moved to the area, or recently joined our Church Community, please introduce yourself to Fr Mervyn and take one of the welcome leaflets from the back of the Church.



Journey in Faith: if you would like to know more about the Church or are considering becoming a Catholic, please contact Fr. Mervyn.

Holy Day of Obligation - Mass times

Thursday 15 August: Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady.
 Wednesday 6.00pm: Vigil Mass at Wheatley;
 Thursday 9.15am & 7.00pm at Corpus Christi
 NB No Mass at Priory Wednesday or Thursday.

Dates for your diary

TODAY 11 August 12.30pm
 Meeting in Parish Hall for those going on the Diocesan Holy Land Pilgrimage.
TODAY 11 August
 SOUL for children, 12.15pm (see over)
Saturday 14 September
 Ride and Stride (see over)

Offertory Collections

Sunday 4 August
 Loose £744.37 Gift Aid £325.23
Thank you for your generosity.

Websites of Interest

Parish: www.corpuschristiheadington.co.uk
 Diocese: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
 Global: www.vaticannews.va/en.html
 Daily Prayer of the Church:
<https://universalis.com>

FAIRTRADE MYTH 1

“Fairtrade products are more expensive”
 It doesn't add up - see over!

Parish Priest: Rev. Canon Mervyn Tower

The Presbytery, 88 Wharton Road, Oxford, OX3 8AJ.

Parish Administrator: Peter Selwood (Mon & Wed mornings), through whom bookings for Parish Hall etc can be made.

t: 01865 762433; e: catholicheadington@gmail.com.

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Kate Gills t: 01865 750915; 07876 124284.

Parish schools:

St Joseph's Primary School; 01865 763357. www.st-josephs-pri.oxon.sch.uk

St Gregory the Great Secondary School; 01865 749933. www.stgregory.oxon.sch.uk

Mass Times: 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

August	Location	Time	Intention
Saturday 10	Wheatley	6.00pm	People of Parish
Sunday 11	Corpus Christi	9.00am	Reba Lawless
		11.00am	Revaen Shetty
		6.30pm	Special Intention

Weekday Masses at Corpus Christi; Year 1 Breviary Week 3.

	Time	Feast	Intention
Mon 12	9.15am	Feria	Pat Carrol
Tue 13	9.15am	Feria	Reba & Tom Lawless; Mike Ayckborn
Wed 14	9.15am	Mem. St Maximilian Kolbe	Matthew Davis

The Priory
 6.30pm
 6.30pm
 No Mass

Holyday of Obligation: Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Wed 14	Wheatley	6.00 pm (Vigil Mass)	People of Parish
Thur 15	Corpus Christi	9.15 am	Manolita Macasero
		7.00 pm	Yebra Family

Thurs:
 No Mass

Fri 16	9.15am	Feria	Johnson Mass for the Parish
Sat 17	10.00am	Feria	

6.30pm
 No Mass

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: 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C

Saturday 17	Wheatley	6.00pm	People of Parish
Sunday 18	Corpus Christi	9.00am	People of Parish
		11.00am	
		12.30pm	Baptism

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

Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem as he encourages his disciples not to be afraid, to focus on the kingdom and to be ready for his return. The good servant is the one who gets on with the task in hand (Gospel: Luke 12:32-48). The second major section of the Book of Wisdom is a midrash (an extended homily) on the Exodus and the rather obscure verses today about the actual night of the Passover (First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9). Hebrews 11 is a reflection on faith, the major models of which are Abraham and Sarah (Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19).

Psalm prayer for meditation: “Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just, for praise is fitting for loyal hearts” (Ps 32/33:1)

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Deuteronomy 10:12-22; Ps 147; Matthew 17:22-27	Thursday	Apocalypse 11:19, 12:1-6, 10; Ps 44; 1 Corinth 15:45-51; Luke 1:39-56
Tuesday	Deuteronomy 31:1-8; Dt 32; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14	Friday	Joshua 24:1-13; Ps 135; Matthew 19:3-12
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Ps 65; Matthew 18:15-20	Saturday	Joshua 24:14-29; Ps 15; Matthew 19:13-15

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

Today! - New Group - SOUL for Children

Serving Others Under the Lord
All children of the parish are welcome to join S.O.U.L., a new monthly initiative designed by children, for children, to serve others and contribute to the Live Simply initiative. Our first activity will be a neighbourhood and park clean-up, taking place this Sunday at 12:15pm. We will be going around tidying up any loose rubbish in the area surrounding Corpus Christi and in nearby Margaret Road Park. Rubbish collection bags can be provided, but if you are able to bring your own bag feel free! Please note, all children must be supervised by an adult during this time.
Hope to see you there and please keep an eye out in the bulletin for future S.O.U.L. activities each month!

FAIRTRADE MYTH 1 - "Fairtrade products are more expensive".

Are they though? The range of Fairtrade products is now huge, with over 5,000 Fairtrade certified products on sale in the UK, many of them supermarket own-label or inexpensive mainstream brands.

Fairtrade goods are available at the monthly stalls in Church, and most major supermarkets now have Fairtrade own-label tea and coffee ranges – M&S, Waitrose Essential, Co-op 99 tea and Tesco Finest, along with 100% of bananas in Sainsbury's, Co-op and Waitrose.

All the tea and coffee at Greggs is Fairtrade and for a bargain, note that Aldi are selling Fairtrade goods, including roses and chocolate - right ("delicious!" - Ed). With more supermarkets and mainstream brands than ever selling Fairtrade, the sums don't add up for those saying it's more expensive.

More myths will be dispelled over the coming weeks!



Ride and Stride Advance Notice

Saturday 14 September

<https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>



Contact
Hilary Cakebread-Hall
07831 690524

Last call! Photos of First Holy Communion are still available. Contact Parish Office by email for access code.

Assisted Dying: Leaflets at the back of the Churches explain why it is so important to write to our MP in the light of the possible introduction of a Bill by Nick Boles MP. This Bill would be to attempt a legalization of assisted dying – effective euthanasia.

Community Emergency Foodbank needs:

Fruit juice **UHT Milk** **Sugar** **Small coffee**
Tinned: peas, carrots, potatoes, 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

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, Antony Ayton, Fr. John Baggley, Patricia Barfield, Margaret Bond, Alan & Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, Nicholas Coote, Diana Diamond, David Diggins, Michael Dolan, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, 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, Melani Parana, 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 died.

The prayer list should be reviewed regularly - please tell Fr Mervyn (or email corpus.OLL.news@gmail.com) if names can now come off the list - or if new names should be added.

+ lives simply "Cut food waste and eat veg to save the planet" UN Report, 8 August 2019

Care for our Common Home
At our recent Creation Celebration cards (with the 5 Rs) were distributed with suggestions of reducing our carbon footprint to combat the current climate emergency, ahead of the UN report. Please take a card from the back of the church and if you have your own suggestions, please send them to the newsletter to share.

In response to pressure from the Climate Coalition, the government has committed to a Zero Carbon Emissions target by 2050. Please add your name to the CAFOD petition asking the government to put policies in place to ensure this happens - go to <https://e-activist.com/page/44225/petition/1>

Live Simply Prayer - you may like to say a verse of this prayer before meals.

1 Compassionate and loving God,
you created the world for us all to share,
a world of beauty and plenty.
Create in us a desire to live simply,
so that our lives
may reflect your generosity.

2 Creator God,
you gave us responsibility for the earth,
a world of riches and delight.
Create in us a desire to live sustainably,
so that others who follow after us
may enjoy the fruits of your creation.

3 God of peace and justice,
you give us the capacity to change,
to bring about a world that mirrors your wisdom.
Create in us a desire to act in solidarity,
so that the pillars of injustice crumble
and those now crushed are set free.. Amen

Recycling is the next Live Simply project - Watch this space!

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.



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.



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.

Items for this newsletter should be sent to corpus.OLL.news@gmail.com - please write *Newsletter* in the subject line.