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Jesus summoned the twelve
Mark 6, 7-13

Detail from the west window of St Mary's
Episcopal Cathedral in Glasgow.

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Pope Francis Prayer Intention

July 2021:

*We pray that, in social,
economic and political
situations of conflict, we may
be courageous and passionate
architects of dialogue and
friendship.*

Live-Stream Masses; Public Worship

Year B SUNDAY
11 July 2021

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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

11 July 2021

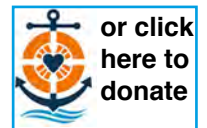
Today - Second Collection for The Apostleship of the Sea - please use DONA

Saturday 6.00pm at OLL, Wheatley People of the Parish

Sunday 9.00am Kathleen Kelly RIP

11.00am Kenneth Kaunda RIP

6.30pm



Weekday Masses:

Cycle of the week B; Breviary Week 3

Mon 12 9.15am Sandra Majka R.I.P

Feria

Tues 13 9.15am Mr & Mrs Connely

Feria

Wed 14 9.15am Mr & Mrs Connely

Feria

3.30pm Mass for the Pope Francis Multi-Academy Company.

Thurs 15 No Mass

St. Bonaventure

Fri 16 9.15am Fr. Thomas Williams

Feria

Sat 17 10.00am Luzia Freitas RIP

Feria

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

18 July 2021

Saturday 6.00pm at OLL, Wheatley People of the Parish

Sunday 9.00am Joao Thanksgiving Birthday

11.00am Jose Galucho + Gaspar Soares & Family

6.30pm Nelia Martins Madeira RIP

All Polish Masses in Oxford will now be celebrated at Blessed Dominic Barberi, Littlemore.
Syro-Malabar Masses are celebrated at Corpus Christi (normally 3.00pm on Sundays).



NEWS FROM THE VATICAN

Pope Francis thanks all for "closeness and prayer"

Pope Francis sent a tweet at 1:30 pm Rome time on Wednesday thanking people around the world for their kind messages and care regarding his health, as he continues his recovery at Rome's Gemelli Hospital following his surgery.

The Pope writes in his tweet: "I am touched by the many caring messages received in these days. I thank everyone for their closeness and prayer."

Click here for the Pope's Prayer July Intention that *in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship, against polarization and populism.*

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Scripture Reflection

For the next six Sundays the second Reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. Its aim is to embed the truth – and particularly the reconciliation between Jews and gentiles – that God has accomplished in Jesus. This is summed up in the magnificent opening hymn (Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14). Jesus sends his disciples on the mission – they are to be completely detached (Gospel: Mark 6:7-13). The mission of Amos to the Northern Kingdom is not welcomed by Amaziah who wants the prophet to go away (First Reading: Amos 7:12-15).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: "Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced" (Psalm 84/85:11).

Scripture Monday Exodus 1:8-14, 22; Ps 123; Matthew 10: 34-11:1

Readings Tuesday Exodus 2:1-15; Ps 68; Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 102; Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday Exodus 3:13-20; Ps 104; Matthew 11:28-30

Friday Exodus 11:10-12:14; Ps 115; Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday Exodus 12:37-42; Ps 135; Matthew 12:14-21

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 news

Parliament in your Parish - Meeting with John Howell MP

Our Lady & St John, Goring on Thames; Our Lady of Lourdes, Wheatley; St Joseph's, Thame



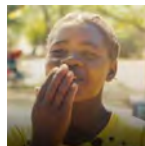
On Tuesday evening, parishioners from Our Lady of Lourdes participated in a meeting with Wheatley MP John Howell and parishioners from Thame and Goring to call for the government to be more ambitious in tackling the Climate Crisis, cancelling debt from poor countries and reinstating the 0.7% GNI Aid budget. [Click here for full story.](#)

Millions have no access to water for drinking, washing and farming. But your support can make an amazing difference to families and communities, and help to end water poverty.



[Click here for a water stories on the difference that access to water has made to the lives of our sisters and brothers.](#)

[Click here for video of Binga's whoop for joy](#)



Peaceful escape from the Football?

Evening of Reflection

Teresa's Four Waters in Word, Image and Song
Sunday 11 July 2021, 7pm-8.45pm, by Zoom. Cost £25

Please join us for a relaxing evening sharing in Carmelite spirituality through music and art. We hope you will come away from this evening event enriched by the special commissioned beautiful music from a world acclaimed composer and feel inspired to develop your own prayer life with God after seeing Sr Sa Ra's iconic art and photo exhibition.

[Click here to read more and Book.](#)

Manresa Link is an ecumenical group in the Midlands who put on 6-week retreats for people in their ordinary lives (meeting them once a week). These Ignatian retreats encourage us to nurture an intimate relationship with Jesus.. [Click here for more information.](#)

Would you like to be involved? Basic Training Course: October 2021 - January 2022 St Mary's Convent, 98 Hunters Road Birmingham B19 1EB (Or online if the pandemic makes it necessary)

Eight Saturday mornings in 2021 (10am - 12.30pm): Oct 2 - Nov 27

Also two weekends in 2022: 15/16 & 29/30 January.

[Click here for Video explaining Manresa link.](#)

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, Kumu de Silva, David Diggins, Michael Dolan, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, Yvonne Goonsekara, Antoinette Harvie, Sue Holbrook, Joanne Kay, Mario Kim, Joan Knatt, Theresa Johnson, Cynthia Lobendhan, Victoria Maceda, Carmel McGarry, R. J. Matava, Averil Nathaniels, Melani Parana, Celine Peiris, Peter Perera, Maxwell Rogers, Angela Scott-Smith, Rachel Smith, Alba Thorning, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Pat Walsh, Liz Ward, Mai Wick, Louise Williams. Dorren McDonald. Nalen Uddamalay, Michael Kenworthy-Browne .

those who have died: Gary Price, Janet Eaglesfield, Veronica Atayi.

Those whose anniversary occurs this week: Catherine Denham, Maria Goulding.

All those in the sick list must actively agree to their inclusion. The prayer list will be reviewed regularly - if names can now come off the list or if new names should be added please send an email to: corpus.OLL.news@gmail.com.

I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

#IAMWITHYOUALWAYS



Message of Pope Francis

Celebrating the first ever World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Sunday 25 July

Parishes across the Archdiocese are invited to dedicate one of their Sunday Masses to the first ever World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Pope Francis has called for the universal church to celebrate the occasion on Sunday 25 July - the closest Sunday to the memorial of Jesus' grandparents, Ss Joachim and Ann (26 July).

The theme 'I Am With You Always' has been chosen to mark the occasion. [Click here for further information.](#)

Parish Pastoral Council: If you would be interested and willing to help discern the needs, priorities and mission of our parish by being on the new PPC, please contact Fr. Mervyn.

School Governors: if you would be interested and willing to become a school governor – a crucial way to help in any school to further the education and well-being of the staff and students – please contact Fr. Mervyn.

The Oxford Community Emergency Foodbank OPEN FOR FOOD DONATIONS

Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 11.00am – 2.00pm

The Food bank is located behind St. Francis Church, Hollow Way, for anyone to deliver donations of non-perishable food/toiletries etc. directly. Thank you to all our supporters from The Community Emergency Food Bank.

If you would like to make a financial donation, please go to:

www.justgiving.com/communityemergency-foodbank

NEW! Women in Scripture

Second episode of Women in Scripture is out this Sunday with a focus on Abigail. [Click here](#)

First Podcast : Listen to Anne Smith on Ruth in the Bible.

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