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Our Parish Vision

A welcoming and dynamic
Catholic Community,
with the Eucharist at the
centre,
reaching out to all.

Even the wind and the sea obey him



In the eye of the Storm, 2017
Abraham Hunter, Oil on canvas

Sunday's Gospel, Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm. He said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

Abraham Hunter's Painting

Abraham Hunter wrote: "Sometimes we all live behind a "mask" to cover up the storm in our lives and the pain we are facing. Behind my mask and persona, my life was so tough and, quite honestly, just dark. This Spring has been a big challenge as I've dealt with a colicky newborn, the struggle as a young father to find a work and life balance, falling behind in my work, health issues, handling criticisms from almost all fronts, and the other stresses of life that I won't even start to get in to. No matter what I've achieved in my life, I've always felt like I had to keep fighting the current so I don't drown, and with everything piling up I've just felt so confused and overwhelmed. I know most everyone reading this has been in the same boat before." Little wonder the disciples felt stressed by the raging storm and in awe of the power of the presence of Jesus.



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Masses for week beginning 23 June 2024

Year B

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Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Ruth Kennell.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times.

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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23 June 2024

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish

Sunday 9.00am Mollie Collison RIP

11.00am Carlos de Agostinho RIP

6.30pm Milena - 9th Birthday



THIS WEEKEND
2ND COLLECTION
FOR SUDAN



Weekdays

Cycle B; Breviary week 4

Mon 24 9.15am Joao Rangel RIP

St. John the Baptist

Tues 25 8.00am Esperansa Duarte RIP

Feria

Wed 26 9.15am Jose Antonio Cardoso

Feria

Thur 27 No Mass

Feria

Fri 28 9.15am Salvador Gomes RIP

St Ireaneus

Sat 29 10.00am Margaret Congdon RIP

Feria

Solemnity of SS Peter & Paul

30 June 2024

On Sunday, 30 June, there will be a Second collection for Peter's Pence

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish

Sunday 9.00am Aneesh and Sunita-Thanksgiving Birthday

11.00am Personal Intention of Jain & Siji

6.30pm Domingas Amelia RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10.30 am to 11am and on call.

BENEDICTION: most Fridays after Mass.

ECUMENICAL PRAYERS by Zoom - Every Monday at 11 am for 20 minutes - [CLICK HERE FOR LINK](#)

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - The next session will be Saturday 6 July, after 10am Mass and then every First Saturday in the month after morning Mass.

HONOUR OUR LADY: After 9.15am Mass and the Rosary, we pray the Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help. This beautiful Novena honours Our Lady in prayer and in songs.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

The teaching of Jesus using seed parables ends in Mark with the account of the calming of the storm on the lake. It is a 'Christophany' – the proclamation of Jesus Christ as God, in control of all as at the Creation (Gospel: Mark 4:35-41). The absolute power of God over nature is revealed to Job in response to all his questioning 'Where is God?' (First Reading: Job 38:1, 8-11). St. Paul teaches that in Christ we are a new creation (Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17).

Monday Isa 49:1-6; Ps 138; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66,80
Tuesday 2 Kings 19:9-11,14-21,31-36; Ps 47; Matt 7:6,12-14
Wednesday 2 Kings 2:1,6-14; Ps 30; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday Ecclesiasticus 48:1-14; Ps 96; Matthew 6:7-15
Friday 2 Kings 11:1-4,9-18,20;Ps131; Matt 6:19-23
Saturday 2 Macca 6:18, 21, 24-31; Ps 30; Matt 24:4-13

Responsorial Psalm: 'Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from all their distress' (Ps 106/107:44).

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

Dates for your Diary
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CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal - This weekend

'We need the world to wake up to the catastrophe happening before our very eyes'

Linda Thomas-Greenfield, the US ambassador to the UN



Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis – extreme hunger. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and emergency cash payments as well as rebuilding water pipelines so clean water can reach communities who need it. Thank you for your generosity and prayers. **CLICK HERE TO DONATE** or

Text CAFODSUDAN to 70450 to donate £10.

Oxford Council of Faiths Annual Interfaith Friendship Walk

Thursday 27 June, starting 6.15pm.

From the Jewish Centre, Richmond Road via St Giles Churchyard, to Radcliffe Square, where light refreshments will be provided by the University Church; from there to the Madina Mosque in Stanley Road. At about 8.00pm there will be a shared meal provided by the Moslem and Jewish communities.

2024 General Election:

Key Election issues to consider

The Bishops of England and Wales have stated that there are many issues of interest to Catholic voters. They have focused on seven:

Criminal Justice, Domestic poverty, family life and taxation, Education, Environment, Life Issues, Migration, International relations, human rights and peacebuilding.

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Churches Together in Headington

General Election Hustings

Wednesday 26 June, All Saints Church Lime Walk, 7.30 -9pm. All 12 candidates for Oxford East will be invited.

Pope at Audience: The Psalms, 'the prayer of Jesus,' are for all seasons



Pope Francis encouraged the faithful to engage in a 'symphony of prayer' by praying the Psalms, as Jesus did.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

the sick and the housebound: Anthony Adkins, Archie Allen, Antony Ayton, Fr. John Baggley, Patricia Barfield, Marian & Roger Biss, Margaret Bond, Alan & Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, Ranjith Dhan, David Diggins, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, Yvonne Goonesekara, 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, Eardley Perera, Peter Perera, Maxwell Rogers, Angela Scott-Smith, Rachel Smith, Alba Thorning, Tom Townsend, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Liz Ward, Mai Wick, Louise Williams, Dorren McDonald, Nalen Vuddamalay, Edu Xavier.

those who have died: Keith Carpenter, Helen Simon.

those whose anniversary occurs this week: Giuseppe Diliberto.

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.

TODAY!!
Sunday 23 June
12 noon after 11am Mass
ALL WELCOME See You There!
PARISH SUMMER FETE
Summer BBQ, Music on the lawn
Games, fun and so much more!

The Parish needs Volunteers - Flowers; Church Cleaning

Church Cleaning Would you be willing to help with the cleaning of the church on a regular basis? The more volunteers we get, the less often you would need to do it. Please put your contact details on the list at the back of church or [CLICK HERE](#) and you will be contacted.



Flowers The flowers in church always look beautiful but someone has to refresh and change them each week. Would you be able to help and go on a rota? Please put your name on the list at the back of church or [CLICK HERE](#).



Collection for Homeless - Please help.
J&P: Corpus Christi for a Fairer Word is working with the Porch which provides a stepping stone to those who are homeless or vulnerably housed.

Based in Magdalen Road, it needs men's boxers (s, m & l) for their guests and tracksuit bottoms and hoodies, & rucksacks.

Please bring items and place in boxes at back of both churches between next weekend, June 8/9 and June 29/30.

Oxford Community Emergency Foodbank

There is a box at the back of Church to receive donations of

Tins of meat, fish, vegetables, soup or puddings, Jars of jam or sauce, Long life milk or fruit juice, sugar, and Essential toiletries.

or take direct to Food Bank **Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 11.20am – 1.30pm, behind St Francis Church, Hollow Way.**

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