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Jesus summoned the Twelve and sent them out in pairs



Landscape with Two Pilgrims Walking Along a Road,
Drawing by Pieter Balten (1540-1584),
Ink on paper; Metropolitan Museum, New York

Sunday's Gospel, Mark 6:7-13

Jesus made a tour round the villages, teaching. Then he summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

Reflection on the drawing

Pieter Balten features two pilgrims walking, just like a pair of apostles in today's reading. They are encountering a stranger: a shepherd and his flock. They may well be asking for food shortly. In the background we see cows grazing the pasture underneath a burst of sun. A man is seen fishing in a river where there are ducks. It is the interaction between the pilgrims and the shepherd about which Jesus is talking today: strangers meeting for the sake of Jesus, spreading the good news and building solid friendships in the process.

Masses for week beginning 14 July 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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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 14 July 2024

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes:
Sunday 9.00am Ruben ArimadoRIP
11.00am Makwyn Cruz & Griffen Cruz
12.15pm Baptism
6.30pm People of the Parish

Today is
SEA SUNDAY



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Weekdays Cycle B; Breviary week 3

Mon 15	9.15am Carminda da Costa RIP	St. Bonaventure
	7.00pm Oxford North Deanery Vocations Mass	
Tues 16	9.15am Filip Cruz & Maria Colaco RIP	Feria
Wed 17	9.15am Francesca (Franca) Aprigliano	Feria
Thur 18	No Mass	Feria
Fri 19	9.15am Joao Pedro Soares RIP	Feria
Sat 20	10.00am Canon John Gunn RIP	Feria

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time 21 July 2024

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish
Sunday 9.00am Margaret Dore
11.00am Rev. Bernard Garrath RIP
6.30pm Kamilius Kole Sangu 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](#)

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BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - The next session will be Saturday 3 August, 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.



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SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The Lord demands that his disciples be completely free of earthly possessions for the mission. It is urgent and they need to give every attention to preaching and healing (Gospel: Mark 6:7-13). Seven centuries earlier, the Lord called Amos to the same urgent preaching (First Reading: Amos 7:12-15). The Letter to the little Christian community in Ephesus – the most magnificent city of Asia Minor – begins with a profound hymn about God's plan to unite all things together under Christ (Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'I will hear what the Lord God has to say – a voice that speaks of peace' (Ps 84/85:8).

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Isaiah 1:10-17; Ps 49; Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tuesday	Isaiah 7:1-9; Ps 47; Matthew 11:20-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 10:5-7, 13-16; Ps 93; Matthew 11:25-27
Thursday	Isa 26:7-9, 16-19; Ps 101; Matthew 10:28-30
Friday	Isa 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 ; Is 38; Matt 12:1-8
Saturday	Micah 2:1-5; Ps 9B; 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

Dates for your Diary
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Last Sunday's Meet & Eat!

Dziękujemy Annie i Ewie za tak wspaniałe poczęstowanie polską kuchnią w ostatnią niedzielę!

Thank you, Anna and Ewa, for such a wonderful spread of Polish food last Sunday!

Next Meet & Eat:

Sunday 4 August after 11am Mass

Oxford North Deanery Mass for Vocations

Monday evening, 15 July.
Here at Corpus Christi Church, 7pm.
All welcome.

Episcopal Ordination Date: 16 July



[CLICK HERE FOR VIDEO INTERVIEW WITH THE TWO BISHOPS-ELECT](#)

The Episcopal ordination of Bishops-Elect Richard Walker (left) and Timothy Menezes (right) will take place on Tuesday 16 July at 12 noon in St Chad's Cathedral. You can attend by live-stream on the Cathedral website: [CLICK HERE](#).

SATURDAY 27TH JULY 2024



PARISH DAY TRIP TO:

BOURNEMOUTH

ADULTS £20

CHILDREN £10

We have two coaches going to Bournemouth this year - the first is full so book soon if you want to join. Please contact the office to book ([CLICK HERE](#) to email).

The coaches leave Corpus Christi at 8.30am (sharp) and leave Bournemouth at 5pm - so please don't be late!

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, 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 Uddamalay, Edu Xavier.

those who have died: Keith Carpenter, Helen Simon, Gordon Curtis.

those whose anniversary occurs this week: Catherine Jackson Denham.

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.



Thanks to all for help with Summer Fete!

We raised £1551!

...and Sandra Bourgois won the Hamper - Congratulations!!

SEA SUNDAY 2024

On Sea Sunday let us remember seafarers facing conflict, abandonment and tough times

I was a stranger...

Seafarers can lead hard and dangerous lives. This Sea Sunday your gifts and prayers will welcome seafarers and fishers and help them to get the support they need.

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£20 could help to send a chaplain to support a sick or injured seafarer in hospital. Please donate now at Stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday



Working Document for Second Session in Rome now published

[CLICK HERE to read brief report of the Document](#)

Synod 2021 2024

Instrumentum laboris, the working document that will guide the work of the second session of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod that will be held in Rome from 2 – 27 October, was published last week. [Click here to download the Document](#).

Stressed? Busy? Too many screens? Try a walk in God's beautiful creation



"Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy." Psalm 96 v12.

Lye Valley SSSI and Nature reserve, with beautiful plants, insects, birds and animals.

Where is it? Off The Slade, between Girdestone Road and Peat Moors. Starts at <https://what3words.com/field.mimic.fleet> [///field.mimic.fleet](https://field.mimic.fleet)

Please stay on the boardwalk. Keep dogs on leads

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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