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Our Parish Vision

This is the carpenter, surely?



Joseph the Carpenter and Jesus, Georges de la Tour (1593-1652), 1642 Oil on canvas, Louvre Museum, Paris

Sunday's Gospel, Mark 6:1-6

With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him.

Reflection on the painting

'This is the carpenter, surely?' is the dismissive comment made by the crowds listening to Jesus in the synagogue. They wanted to point out that Jesus had no formal theological training.

De la Tour paints a beautiful portrait of Joseph teaching Jesus the art of carpentry. The drill Joseph is holding is already in the shape of a cross foretelling Jesus' crucifixion. A single, strong light source is the central element, held by the young Jesus.

Look at Jesus' left-hand fingers. The candlelight shining through the flesh of his hand is an allegorical reference to Christ as the Light of the World. Jesus is looking up to his earthly father Joseph with love and joy... happy to be a carpenter's son...



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Masses for week beginning 7 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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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7 July 2024

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish
Sunday 9.00am Milagros Mamarildo RIP
11.00am Alan Rose. Personal Intention of Angel Francis.
3.00pm Filipino Mass, followed by Fellowship
6.30pm Pat Swettenham RIP

Weekdays Cycle B; Breviary week 2

Mon 8	9.15am	Thanksgiving Birthday-Lucino	Feria
Tues 9	9.15am	Rev. Anthony Davies RIP	Feria
Wed 10	9.15am	Jasper's health	Feria
Thur 11	No Mass	St Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe	
Fri 12	9.15am	Mary John RIP	Feria
Sat 13	10.00am	Thanksgiving--HAKNAUK's Team.	Feria

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

Next Sunday is SEA SUNDAY  **STELLA MARIS**
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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 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.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

The prophets of the Old Testament are frequently despised because people do not wish to listen to the truth. It is not surprising that Jesus, the prophet par excellence, is similarly dismissed by his own people. Mark points out that because of their lack of faith Jesus cannot perform miracles in Nazareth (Gospel: Mark 6:1-6). The Spirit forces Ezekiel to speak, whether the people listen or not. They cannot escape the truth that a prophet is among them (First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5). St. Paul has to rely completely on God's grace in his weakness (Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'To you have I lifted up my eyes, you who dwell in the heavens' (Ps 122/123:1).

Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Monday	Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Ps 144; Matt 9:18-26
Tuesday	Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 113B; Matt 9:32-38
Wednesday	Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8,12; Ps 104; Matt 10:1-7
Thursday	Proverbs 2:1-9; Ps 33; Matthew 19:27-29
Friday	Hosea 14:2-10 ; Ps 50; Matthew 10:16-23
Saturday	Isaiah 6:1-8; Ps 92; Matthew 10:24-33

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

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Collection for Homeless - Thank you!

Many thanks from The Porch for your wonderful generosity to vulnerable homeless men. Your gifts will help to preserve people's dignity at a difficult time in their lives.

TODAY! 7 July, after 11am Mass

Meet and Eat in the Parish Hall!!

This month: Enjoy a Polish Starter and drinks

This is an opportunity to meet other parishioners over a light snack and a drink before going home for your Sunday lunch! This month, pretend you are in Poland.

NEXT Journey of Faith meeting - grow and develop our faith
Monday, 8 July, at 7.30 pm, at 202 London Road

All are welcome - baptised Catholics who want to develop their faith, those who want to find out about Catholicism or people who just want to explore the idea of faith. Information from Sharon and Martin at martin.taylor@merton.ox.ac.uk or [CLICK HERE](#)

Deanery Year of Prayer - Tuesday 9 July

Talk on Prayer 7.00pm at Blackfriars.

Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP

Prior Provincial, English Dominicans

All welcome.

SATURDAY 27TH JULY 2024



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 Busetto, 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, Gordon Curtis.

those whose anniversary occurs this week: Pauline Mary Yates.

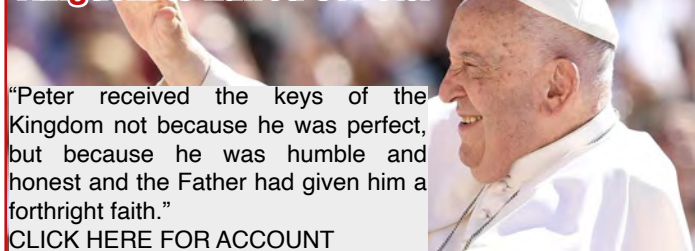
All those in the sick list must actively agree to their inclusion. The prayer list will be reviewed regularly - if names can now come off the list or if new names should be added please send an email to: corpus.OLL.news@gmail.com.

Episcopal Ordination Date: 16 July



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](#).

Pope at Angelus: The Lord entrusted his Kingdom to flawed St Peter



"Peter received the keys of the Kingdom not because he was perfect, but because he was humble and honest and the Father had given him a forthright faith."

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"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.

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