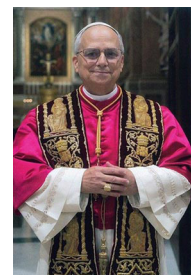


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Pope Leo and his Coat of Arms

The Spirit will guide you into all the truth. All that the Father has is mine.



*The Trinity, ca 1460
 Laurent Girardin (died 1478),
 Oil on panel. Cleveland Museum of Art*

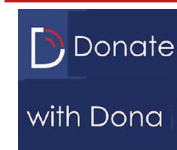
From Today's Gospel John 16: 12-15

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.'

Girardin's panel (painted in Lyon, France)

The love between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit reaches out to embrace us all. The Gospel reading today is such a beautiful display of this. Jesus talks about his Father and the Holy Spirit from a personal place of knowledge and love.

Laurent Girardin depicts the Holy Trinity. God the Father is wearing a papal tiara. He is holding his Son, crucified on the cross, and the Holy Spirit is seen represented as a dove. Juxtaposed with the Trinity's austere depiction are cherubim bathed in radiant red light, possibly influenced by the stained glass windows that Girardin also designed in Lyon. God the Father wears a liturgical vestment, a sumptuous and bejeweled cope, fastened below the neck, typically worn by clergy for processional occasions. It is made of opulent crimson velvet with gold thread forming a large pomegranate pattern.



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Masses for week beginning 31 May 2026 Year A

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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 31 May 2026

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish
Sunday 9.00am Michael Gerard Coyne RIP (Birthday)
11.00am Gabriela da Cruz RIP
6.30pm Gaspar & Maria Fernandes --Birthdays

Weekdays Breviary week 1

Mon 1	9.15am	God's blessing upon Agnieszka, Barbara & Iza	St Justin , Martyr
Tues 2	9.15am		Feria
Wed 3	9.15am		Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
Thurs 4	No Mass		St Boniface, Martyr
Fri 5	9.15am	Mario Edwin Quindipan	Feria
Sat 6	10.00am	Santina Coutinho RIP	Feria

CORPUS CHRISTI OUR PARISH FEAST DAY

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST 7 June 2026

Saturday 6.00pm @ Our Lady of Lourdes: People of the Parish
Sunday 9.00am Denis Screeche-Powel RIP
11.00am Antonio Gomes RIP
12.30pm -3.30pm European Meet & Eat, Launch of the Youth Group
6.30pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10.30 am to 11am and on call.
BENEDICTION: most Fridays after Mass.
BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - SATURDAY 6 June after 10am Mass and afterwards on the 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.
Young Adults Group - 1st Sunday of month at 4.00pm.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION Scripture Readings for the week ahead

Today we celebrate the ultimate mystery, that of God Himself. The understanding of the Trinity developed over centuries into the Nicene Constantinian Creed. But the revelation is there is Scripture. God's love is revealed full in His Son (Gospel: John 3:16-18). The nature of this God, full of chesed (His everlasting chageless love) is revealed to Moses on Sinai (First Reading: Exodu 34:4b-6,8-9). St Paul salutes all with the Trinitarian greeting (Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13)	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	2 Peter 1:2-7; Ps 90; Mark 12:1-12 2 Peter 3:12-15a,17-18; Ps 89; Mark 12:13-17 2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 122; Mark 12:18-27 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Ps 24; Mark 12:28b -34 2 Timothy 3:10-17; Ps 118; Mark 12:35-37 2 Timothy 4:1-8; Ps 70; Mark 12:38-44
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Responsorial Psalm meditation: 'Blessed is your glorious holy name' (Daniel 3:52).

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



FINANCE UPDATE:

A huge thankyou to our Parishioners for the generous response to our Finance Appeal.

It's been a wonderful success, we have increased our annual income by £5,400.

If any new Parishioners would like to sign up still we have gift aid and standing order forms at the back of the Church.

Any queries relating to existing forms submitted or anything else please email pt.corpuschristi.oxford@rcaob.org.uk

Thankyou!

Thankyou for your continued support.

JONATHAN HENRY'S ORDINATION TO PRIESTHOOD

The Ordination is on Saturday 4th July at St. Chads Cathedral Birmingham.

We have a coach leaving from Corpus Christi

Please sign up via:

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or please see the detail at the sheet at the back of the Church



Car parking: We have had more complaints from our neighbours about bad parking and driveways being blocked. Please ensure that you park legally and courteously.

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

the sick and the housebound: Antony Ayton, Patricia Barfield, Marian & Roger Biss, Margaret Bond, Alan & Rita Booker, Christopher Browne, Pedro Busette, Ranjith Dhan, David Diggens, Maureen Felix, Philomena Garvey, Yvonne Goonesekara, Antoinette Harvie, Sue Holbrook, 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., Alba Thorning, Tom Townsend, Aileen Vangramberg, Diana Walden, Mary Wallace, Liz Ward, Mai Wick, Louise Williams, Dorren McDonald, Nalen Vuddamalay, John Guy, Michael Earnest.

those who have died: Alex Tweedy, Adelio Luarca, Avelina Bulaon RIP
those whose anniversary occurs this week: Arthur Graham, Bernard Joseph McKenna

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.

DO YOU HAVE DESKTOP PUBLISHING SKILLS?

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PARISH NEWSLETTER EDITOR-VACANCY

I have been editing the weekly Parish Newsletter for the past 8 years or so but, reluctantly, ill-health is forcing me to retire. I spend approximately 1 day a week preparing the material and producing the final pdf for printing-and the interactive pdf for the website. Use the Adobe professional suite of programs but packages such as Canva would be perfectly suitable. If you have skills in this area and would like to assist the parish, please contact Fr Mervyn, John Kirwan (johnkirwand1a@gmail.com).

HAVE YOU SAID YES TO GIFT AID ON DONA

Following Amy and Reuben's talk at Mass on Sunday, let's think about how it might affect us

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and join discussion on Sunday 5 July after 11.00am Mass.

BEWARE - Email scam affecting the Parish

Parishioners have received emails purporting to be from Fr. Mervyn saying he "wants to ask a favor". These are scam attempts to get money from you. **Do not reply.**

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**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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