



# Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sunday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> October <b>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>World Mission Sunday</i>	<b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am</b> Mass (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 1.00 pm Baptism <b>6.00 pm</b> Mass	<i>Bernadette Nolan Zegen Rodrigues (2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday) Jacob Plonski Carlos Guterres Andrade (B'day)</i>
Monday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October <i>Op. Mem. of St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop</i>	<b>8.00 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass (1.00 pm Mass and Baptism at Our Lady's)	<i>Maria Ribeiro Babo (Get Well) Kieron Jennings</i>
Tuesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>8.00 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's)	<i>Bridie Barry</i>
Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> October <i>Op. Mem. of St. Cedd, Bishop</i>	<b>No Public Mass Today</b>	<i>Dec'd members of the O'Dwyer family</i>
Thursday, 27 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>6.00 pm</b> Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	<i>Fernando dos Santos Babo (get well)</i>
Friday, 28 <sup>th</sup> October <i>Feast of Ss. Simon &amp; Jude</i>	<b>8.00 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)	<i>The People of the Parish</i>
Saturday, 29 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>8.00 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (1.00 pm Marriage Service & Baptisms at Our Lady's) (Evening Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm at Our Lady's)	<i>Shannon McCann &amp; Kieron Jennings Jesse and Jensen Jennings Martinho Claudio da Silva Amaral</i>
Sunday, 30 <sup>th</sup> October <b>Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am</b> Mass (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) (3.00 pm Baptisms at Our Lady's) <b>6.00 pm</b> Mass	<i>Florbelo I.M. Acacio, Ango dos Santos Katherine Raj (Anniversary) Jasper and Jax Ntaate Cosme Ximenes, Adelina Fatima Lemos</i>
<i>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm</i>		

Welcome to Sacred Heart Church for Mass today.

Our Parish Prayer: *Help us, Lord, to receive you with an open heart this day.*

*May our community receive your grace and deepen its faith in you.*

*Make us lights to shine forth with your love, giving life and hope to those who have fallen away  
or who have never known you.*

Please pray for the soul of **Fr. Stephen Innes OFM Cap**, **Richard Hansen** and the souls of all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Frs. John Galcius, Edward Burbage, Patrick Moore, John Francis McGovern, Bernard Kelly and Thomas Williams, and also Seamus Doherty, Noreen Mason, Valentine Mason and William Durkin. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Prayers for the Sick.** Please pray for Thomas Gaughan, Barry Holland, Rosalind Ingrams, Betty Duff and Eileen McGarry and all those we know who are sick. If you or someone you know is sick and would like to be included on this newsletter, please let me know.

**Mass at Home.** If you are not able to come to Mass you could watch it on Saturday, 5.30 pm, and/or Sunday, 11.00 am from Our Lady's where it is livestreamed at <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>. Here is a prayer that you can say when you watch the Mass:

*"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You."*

### Prayer at the end of Mass:

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! *Pray for us, O holy Mother of God*, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Christmas Bazaar:** on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> November. If you feel you could help in any way please let me know.

**Raffle tickets are on sale after Mass.** If you would like to donate a prize for the raffle, please give it to Sally McVeigh. Thank you.

**Anniversary List:** If you would like a deceased family member or friend to be remembered in the bulletin during the week of the anniversary of their death please let me know in writing, or email their name and the date of their anniversary to: [fr.harry.curtis@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.harry.curtis@rcaob.org.uk).

**Remember: refreshments are available in the hall after the 9.00 am Mass on Sundays.**

**Mass Intentions.** The diary for 2023 has now arrived, so if you wish to book a Mass for next year this is the opportunity.

**World Mission Sunday.** Today is World Mission Sunday and there will be a second collection at Masses this weekend for Missio. On this day the whole Church around the world unites in prayer for its missionary activity, and in collecting funds to support Catholic communities across the world living in situations of poverty and privation. The theme chosen by the Holy Father for this year is: 'You shall be my witnesses' (Acts 1:8). Thank you for your ongoing support of Missio through prayer and charity. Please do all you can to celebrate this day in solidarity with the whole Church. For more information about World Mission Sunday, please visit [missio.org.uk/wms](http://missio.org.uk/wms).

**The Archdiocese of Birmingham are looking to recruit a Secretary/PA to the Vicar General.** You will need excellent communication skills, the ability to work on your own initiative, experience of working with senior post-holders/officers and be proficient with Microsoft Office. For an informal discussion about this role and further information, please call the Human Resources Officer on 0121 230 6224 or go to <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/FAQs/secretary-pa-to-the-vicar-general>. The closing date is noon on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### All Saints Day and All Souls Day.

Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November, is the Solemnity of All Saints which is a Holyday of Obligation. That means we should all do our best to attend Mass. There will be Mass at Our Lady's at 9.15 am which will be attended by Our Lady's School, and here at Sacred Heart at 7.00 pm. All Souls Day will be on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November. It is not a Holyday of Obligation, but many people like to go to Mass to pray for their deceased family and friends. There will be Mass here at Sacred Heart at 9.15 am and at Our Lady's at 7.00 pm.

**Blessing of Graves at Rose Hill Cemetery** will be on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November at 3.00 pm. We will gather in the cemetery chapel for a service of prayer for the dead, and then we will proceed among the graves praying the Rosary and blessing them.

**The Parish Memorial Mass for those in the parish and our family/friends who have died**, especially those during the past year, will be on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> November, at 11.00 am. If you have a family member or friend who died away from this parish during the last twelve months and you would like their name to be included in this commemoration, please let me know (in writing). Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

**November Dead List Envelopes** are available in the basket in front of the altar. You can fill in the list and leave it in the black box that is also in front of the altar. They will be remembered in prayer throughout the month of November.

**A Day for Parish Readers.** Think about this: when a reading is done in church it is the Word of God that is being proclaimed. The Reader is a minister of God and is helping the



Kingdom of God to grow. That is not something to be taken lightly. Readers should prepare in every way possible – practically and spiritually. There will be a training day for readers, with reading practice (including tips on using a microphone) and also some spiritual reflection, on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 10.00-4.00, in Our Lady's church and the Don Bosco Centre. If you are (or would like to be) a reader please try to come. Light refreshments provided; bring your own lunch.

**SVP.** Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in forming an SVP group following last Sunday's appeal. Rebecca will be in touch soon to move things on.

**Tailpiece:** One evening an Archbishop was visiting a school to address the parents, but to his indignation there were not many people there to listen to him. "That was a waste of my time," he complained to the head teacher afterwards. "Did you tell them I was coming?" "No, your Grace," replied the head, who was also feeling rather sore, "As a matter of fact I didn't. But don't worry: I'll make it my business to find out who did!"

**May God bless you and all those whom you love.**

**Fr. Harry**

**P.S. British Summertime ends.** The clocks change next Saturday night/Sunday morning. Don't forget to get your extra hour in bed.

