



# Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

## *Solemnity of St. Peter & St. Paul, Apostles*

### *30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024*

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Sunday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June <b>Solemnity of St. Peter &amp; St. Paul, Apostles</b>	(5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's) <b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am Mass</b> (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) <b>6.00 pm Mass</b>	Raden Toton Kiemdarto  Frank Benson Kamugisha Marian Nyambura (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) The People of the Parish
Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> July <i>Op. Mem. of St. Oliver Plunket, Martyr</i>	(7.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Peter Rhodes (Anniversary)
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's)	Stephen N. Borg
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July <i>Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle</i>	<b>No Public Mass Today</b>	John Barrett
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> July <i>Op. Mem. of St. Elizabeth of Portugal</i>	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction <b>7.00 pm Mass</b>	Patricia Edmonds
Friday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July <i>Mem. of Bl. George Nichols &amp; Comps, Martyrs</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)	Dermot & Josephine McMahon
Saturday, 6 <sup>th</sup> July <i>Op. Mem. of St. Maria Goretti, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>10.00 am Mass</b> (5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's)	Martinho Lopes Soares Christian
Sunday, 7 <sup>th</sup> July <b>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>7.45 am</b> Office of Readings & Morning Prayer <b>9.00 am Mass</b> (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) <b>6.00 pm Mass</b>	Teresa Monteiro & Mariana Monteiro Margaret Funnell (Get Well) The People of the Parish
Confessions: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm; Saturday, 10.30 – 11.30 am (Confessions at Our Lady's: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm)		

**Welcome to Sacred Heart today, especially if you are new to our parish.**

**Today we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul.**

There will be the annual collection for Peter's Pence, our national gift as Catholics to the Pope to assist his apostolic work.

**If you wish to join the Mass from your home go to:** <https://www.mcn.live/Camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

*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. Amen.*

**Prayers for the Sick.** Please pray for Claudino Serra Vaz, Keith Dolton, Thomas Gaughan, Barry Holland, Rosalind Ingrams, Betty Duff, Inna, Beatrice Upham, Eileen McGarry, Rosa Fernandes, Miguel Esteban, Mely Balbag, Keelin Trahearn, Cheryl Jones, Josie Griffiths, Mary Cross and all those we know who are sick.

**Please pray for** those who died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mgr. Patrick Corrigan, Canon Francis Dudley, Frs. John Darley, William O'Malley, Michael Cullinan and Leonard (Leo) Johannes Joppe, and also Ron Jones. May they rest in peace.

	Counting rota	Readers' Rota (9.00 Mass)	Eucharistic Ministers' Rota		Flowers rota
This week	Chris & Edwin	D. Wallace	R. Esteban	Anne Marie Sonan	Jocelyn & Family
Next Week	Sally & Phil	K. Abrigo & J. Esteban	Phil Doherty	Rolly Esteban	Claire & Family

#### 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.*

**Remember: refreshments are available in the hall after the 9.00 am Mass on Sundays. Come and have a chat with friends.**

**Happy Feast Day** to the members of the Syro-Malabar community. Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, is the feast of St. Thomas who is recognized as the founder of the Church of the Syro-Malabar Christians, or Christians of St. Thomas. The celebrations begin this weekend and finish next weekend.

#### *Fr. Harry's Ruby (40<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary.*

*On Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> August, I shall be celebrating the anniversary of my Ordination, and since it is a significant number and it also happens to fall on a Sunday, I should like to make it an occasion for both Our Lady's Parish and Sacred Heart Parish to enjoy.*

*On the Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, there will be a fun day at Sacred Heart, 11.30-3.00 - all are welcome to eat, drink, play games - bouncy castle, football, garden games, music, international dancing, food, people of the parishes to provide.*

*On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August, there will be Mass at Our Lady's for both parishes at 10.00 am, followed by a reception in the hall and carpark.*

*If you have suggestions or would like to help:*

*for the Saturday, please contact Reena at [sacredheart.oxford@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sacredheart.oxford@rcaob.org.uk);*

*for the Sunday, please contact Geraldine at [olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk)*

*Does anyone have a marquee we could use in the carpark on the Sunday, please?*

*Does anyone have a vehicle that could transport tables from Sacred Heart to Our Lady's and back?*

**The St. John Fisher Primary School Summer Fayre** will be on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July from 12.00 - 3:00 on the school field, attractions will include a gladiator duel, and will feature a special guest appearance from Olly the Ox.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, Staffs, Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July.** For further information contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 07868 542268 or [fr.jeremy.howard@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.jeremy.howard@rcaob.org.uk)

**Youth Group.** There will be an outing for the Parish Youth Group to Malvern on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> July, leaving Sacred Heart at 8.00 am and leaving Malvern at 6.00 pm. Families and other parishioners are welcome.

**Marriage.** Congratulations to Bernadette and Raymond Clement who were married this weekend. May God bless them in their life together.

**Baptism.** Congratulations and welcome to Steven and Savio who became members of the family of God here yesterday. May God bless them and their family.

**My Day by Day Book** for July is now available at the back of church (price £1).

**Adoremus Eucharistic Congress** at Oscott College, B73 5AA, on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> September. Five delegates from each Deanery have been invited to attend. If you would like to be our delegate, contact Canon Mervyn, the Dean, at [corpuschristi.oxford@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:corpuschristi.oxford@rcaob.org.uk)

**Parish Raffle.** The draw will be made after Mass this morning in the hall. Good luck, and thank you for supporting our parish.

**General Election.** Don't forget to vote on Thursday. The SVP and CAFOD have made a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see [www.cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://www.cafod.org.uk/encounter) for more information. The Bishops' Conference have created a webpage on their website with information about the relevant issues for Catholics. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

**Oxford Pro-Life Rosary Witness.** On Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> July all pro-lifers are warmly invited to recite the Rosary for the end of abortion and in defence of life. Meet outside the Clarendon Building, 48 Broad Street, Oxford, OX1 3AZ, 12.00 noon. Or join us after for a drink. For more information contact Honor Roberts at [honorroberts@hotmail.com](mailto:honorroberts@hotmail.com)

**First Friday.** This Friday is the first of the month and we shall say the Novena Prayers to the Sacred Heart before Mass on Thursday evening.

**Tailpiece:** The Sports Editor of a local newspaper was sent to report on a football match between the Catenians and the Freemasons. Unfortunately, he was not allowed to tell anyone the score because it was a secret.

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