



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7th July, 2024

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Sunday, 7 th July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	(5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's) 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 6.00 pm Mass	Christian Teresa Monteiro & Mariana Monteiro Margaret Funnell (Get Well) The People of the Parish
Monday, 8 th July	(7.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Angela McElduff (Intentions)
Tuesday, 9 th July <i>Op. Mem. of Ss. Augustine Zhao Rong, & Comps, Martyrs</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's) (2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's)	Dorothy Pill (Anniversary) Sienna Pereira de Carvalho
Wednesday, 10 th July	No Public Mass Today	Marion Green (Ill)
Thursday, 11 th July <i>Feast of St. Benedict, Abbot Day of Prayer for Europe</i>	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Cecilia Michael
Friday, 12 th July	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)	Raden Toton Kiemdarto
Saturday, 13 th July <i>Op. Memorial of St. Henry</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10.00 am Mass (2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's) (5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's)	Kathleen McGarry Viviana Valentina Loyola Reyes The People of the Parish
Sunday, 14 th July Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time <i>Sea Sunday</i>	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.00 am Syro-Malabar Mass at Our Lady's) 9.00 am Mass (11.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 6.00 pm Mass	Private Intention Barney Conway Stephen N. Borg Frederico Cham Sung Siong & Family
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.

If you wish to join the Mass from your home go to:

<https://www.mcn.live/Camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

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. Louis McRaye, Canon Francis J. Grady, Frs. Vincent Leo Armishaw, Joseph Pires, Michael Gaffney, Bernard Thomas Maddox, Brendan Mary Donlon, Anthony Maguire, Seamus Hetherston, John Molyneux, Plunkett Shannon and Edmund Whelan, Deacon Anthony Bateman, and also Thomas Griffin, Shirley Ann Milne, Gerald Amantrading, Onyema Anyanwu and Peter Lynch. May they rest in peace.

*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.*

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.

	Counting rota	Readers' Rota (9.00 Mass)	Eucharistic Ministers' Rota		Flowers rota
This week	Sally & Phil	K. Abrigo & J. Esteban	Phil Doherty	Rolly Esteban	Claire & Family
Next Week	Kylla & Lilian	V. Robbins & D. McColl			Claire & Family

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

Fr. Harry's Ruby (40th) Anniversary.

On Sunday, 4th 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, 3rd 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 4th 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;

for the Sunday, please contact Geraldine at

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?

University Students. Many congratulations to all the students who are graduating over the next few weeks. If you are arriving at Oxford, either for a summer placement or in time to begin studies in the autumn, I should like to welcome you. It is important to feel at home, especially if you have come from abroad. Please come and introduce yourself to me.

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

My Day by Day Book for July is now available at the back of church (price £1). This small booklet has the readings for Mass on each day of the month and is a great help to prepare for and take part in the Mass.

Adoremus Eucharistic Congress at Oscott College, B73 5AA, on Saturday, 14th September. Five delegates from each Deanery have been invited to attend. If you would like to be our delegate, I should like to hear from you or please contact Canon Mervyn, the Dean, at corpuschristi.oxford@rcaob.org.uk

Welcome. This week we shall welcome Sienna Pereira de Carvalho and Viviana Valentina Loyola Reyes into the family of the church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for them and their families.

Parish Raffle. Thank you to everyone who organised our parish raffle which was drawn last week, and thanks to all of you who supported it. It raised over £500 for the parish funds – wonderful!

Invitation from Youth 2000. *Our annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from **Friday 23rd - Monday 26th August** in the beautiful surroundings of Ampleforth Abbey, North Yorkshire. This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith!* For further information please email events@youth2000.org

The Year of Prayer. Fr. Nicholas Crowe, the Prior Provincial of the English Dominicans, will give the next in the series of Deanery talks about prayer this Tuesday, July 9th, at Blackfriars at 7.00pm. All are welcome.

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday. Sea Sunday is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. There will be a second collection for Stella Maris, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church in Great Britain. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

Tailpiece: A notice attached to a tree read:
PRIVATE LAND

Trespassers will be prosecuted
to the fullest extent of the law.

Signed: The Sisters of Mercy

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