



Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th November, 2024

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Sunday, 10 th November Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	(5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass at Our Lady's) 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) (2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's) 6.00 pm Mass	Epifania Auxiliadora Da Costa Freitas Private Intention Mary & Anthony Afanu (Thanks) The People of the Parish Janiel Ososo Osahon Nuala McNally (Get Well)
Monday, 11 th November <i>Memorial of St. Martin of Tours</i>	(7.00 am Mass at Our Lady's) 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Michael Flood
Tuesday, 12 th November <i>Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Our Lady's) (12.15 pm Mass at Corpus Christi Church)	Special Intention Deceased Clergy of the Deanery
Wednesday, 13 th November	No Public Mass Today	In Thanksgiving
Thursday, 14 th November	10.00 am Funeral Service 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Patricia (Olive) Ashley-Morgan Private Intention
Friday, 15 th November <i>Optional Memorial of St. Albert the Great, Bishop</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Our Lady's)	Mary Clarke (Anniversary)
Saturday, 16 th November <i>Op. Mems. of St. Edmund of Abingdon, or St. Margaret of Scotland, or St. Gertrude</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 11.00 am Parish Memorial Mass (5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday at Our Lady's)	Patrick & Mary McGroarty Sean Jennings (Anniversary)
Sunday, 17 th November Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of the Poor	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) (2.00 pm Baptism at Our Lady's) 6.00 pm Mass	Private Intention Michael Cullen Raden Toton Kiemdarto Maila Clarke Cancio Da Costa
Confessions: Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm (At Our Lady's on Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm)		

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

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.



Remembrance Sunday. Today is Remembrance Sunday. We shall have a short service after the parish Masses to lay a wreath at the foot of the cross. We pray for those who have died in wars and for peace.

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.*

Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for Keith Dolton, Barry Holland, Rosalind Ingrams, Betty Duff, Inna, Claudio Serra Vaz, Beatrice Upham, Eileen McGarry, Mely Balbag, Keelin Trahern, Cheryl Jones, Josie Griffiths, Mary Cross, Nuala McNally, Billy Gardner, Rosa and Maria Fernandes and all those we know who are sick.

Please pray for Terry Downes, Mary Muthoni, Patricia (Olive) Ashley-Morgan and Fidelma Martin who died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frs. Michael O'Keefe, Laurence Smith, Thomas O'Connor, William Boyle, Joseph Ryan, James O'Sullivan, Raymund Jones, Petroc Howell, Dcn John Burton, and also Srs. Mary Mulhall, Mary Dooley, Teresa Shannon and Lisetta Ferrari FMA, Frank Cairns, Betty Magan, Ryszard Kaniszewski, Patrick Lynch, John Perkins, Peggy Byrne, Sean Jennings, Sylvia Whaley, Antonio Gomes Goncalves Figueira, Marjorie Chungtuyco, Frederick Gardner, Arthur Bayliss, Nan Ford, Kathleen Davies. May they rest in peace.



	Counting rota	Readers' Rota (9.00 Mass)	Eucharistic Ministers' Rota		Flowers rota
This week	Chris & Edwin	V. Robbins & Sixtus	Chris Donovan	Anne Marie Sonan	Lizette
Next Week	Sally & Phil	P. Chacka & Dom	Josh Peter	Rolly Esteban	Lizette

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

November is the month when we traditionally pray for those who have died.

- **November Prayers for the Dead.** There are memorial slips available on the altar rails to write the names of those you wish to pray for. Place the slips in the basket in front of the altar and they will be remembered at Mass throughout the month.
- **Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the North Oxford Deanery** Tuesday 12th November, 12.15 pm, at Corpus Christi Church, Headington. Every year the clergy meet to celebrate Mass for their deceased brethren. You are invited and welcome to join us.
- **Parish Memorial Mass for those in the parish who have died**, especially those whose funerals have been held here during the past year, on Saturday, 16th November, 11.00 am. If you would like anyone's name to be included, please let me know.

Our Parish Christmas Bazaar will be on Saturday, 30th November. Raffle tickets will be on sale after Mass today. This is our main fundraising event each year for the parish so please support it if you can.

WE SHALL HAVE A FEW GAPS IN THE RANKS THIS YEAR AMONG THE REGULAR HELPERS, SO IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO PLAY A MORE ACTIVE PART IN THE LIFE OF OUR FAMILY HERE, PLEASE HAVE A WORD WITH SALLY AFTER MASS TODAY.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. 2025 is the Year of Jubilee and Archbishop Bernard invites you to join in this special event. The pilgrimage dates are: **Saturday 24th – Friday 30th May 2025**, and you can now express your interest in a place or get more information at: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.

Tailpiece: At a church meeting, one member decided to share his faith story. "I'm a millionaire," he said, "and I attribute it all to the blessings of God. I remember the turning point in my faith: I had just earned my first pound and I went to a youth meeting. The speaker was a missionary who talked about his work. I knew that I only had a pound note and I had either to give it all to God's work, or nothing at all. I decided to give my pound to God. I believe that God blessed that decision, and that is why I am a rich man today." When he had finished, the chair of the parish committee leaned over and said: "Good story! I dare you to do it again!"



Pope Francis sends his Apostolic Blessing to our parish family.

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