

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 1 July 2018: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

6.30pm (Saturday) Private intention
 9.00am Barbara Lowe
 11.00am Parishioners
 5.30pm Winnie Joyce RIP

Monday 2 July

7.30am Friars & Benefactors

Tuesday 3 July *St Thomas, Apostle.*

7.30am Joao Baptista Xavier RIP

Wednesday 4 July *St Elizabeth of Portugal*

7.30am Kieran Hughes

Thursday 5 July

7.30am Ray Lisk RIP

Friday 6 July

7.30am Mary O'Leary RIP
 7.30pm *In honour of the Sacred Heart*

Saturday 7 July

8.00am Private intention

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday 11.30am-12 noon; 5.30-6.25pm

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick.

Pray, too, for those whose anniversaries occur about this time, including:

Eileen O'Riordan, Bridget Lynch, Patricia Campbell, Theresa Alexis, Gerald Elliott, Gerald Kelly, Irene Maloney, Patricia Hanrahan, Halasiewicz & Patrick Meredith.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

COLLECTIONS:

No Second Collection today

Last week's collection:

Offertory £446.59 + Gift-aided £104.00

Peter's Pence £163.00 + Gift-aided £46.45

Second collection next week: Apostleship of the Sea

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Do Not Fear

The miracle stories about the daughter of Jairus and the woman with the haemorrhage fit together very well.

In both cases we have situations that look rather hopeless, yet faith in Jesus is the answer.

Fear in the presence of Jesus is not the answer. When the woman who was cured realized she had been discovered, she was afraid. And when the report of Jairus's daughter's death caused consternation and hopelessness, Jesus said, "Fear is useless."

The Lord makes it clear that no cases are hopeless in his presence. Do we believe that? When hopeless situations arise in our lives, in our families, do we turn to him with faith and trust? Or is our first reaction one of fear—despair that nothing can be done?

What does Jesus expect? He wants us to use all the human means at hand, all normal gifts he has given us. But this must be without fear, because he is present; and with faith, because he is taking care of us.



1st Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15,2:23-24

Response: **I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.**

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

Entrance Antiphon: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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News about the Friary Community in Oxford:

Br James, the Provincial, has this week announced some changes in the Province because of pastoral needs. These changes will affect the Oxford Community:

Br Gordon will move to Erith to work in the parish and be Vicar to the community. He is planning to move in mid-August.

Br Lucjan will return to Oxford to be Post-Novitiate Director and Vicar to the community.

Br Paul will move to Oxford when he has finished his sabbatical, to be the new Parish Priest (in mid-August). Please keep us in your prayers.

Fr Gordon.

This week:

Church Cleaning:

This week is the turn of Group B: Sam/John. Thank you.

Tuesday 3 July: St Thomas, Apostle. Feast.

The Gospel records Jesus' invitation to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see", but there is no record of Thomas taking Jesus up on the offer. The only response is his act of faith: "My Lord and my God". About this apostle, St Augustine says we should be grateful for the beatitude pronounced by Jesus on all generations of disciples: "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Wednesday 4 July: St Elizabeth of Portugal

Born in 1271 into the royal family of Aragon, she married the King of Portugal at a young age and had two children. The marriage was unhappy. She lived a life of prayer, penance and fasting. After the death of her husband she renounced the Court and lived in poverty as a member of the Third Order of St Francis, devoting her life to the service of God and the poor.

Friday 6 July: Holy Rosary & First Friday Evening Mass

On Friday evenings the Holy Rosary is recited in the church at 7pm. This being the first Friday of the month, we also celebrate at 7.30pm the Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, with prayers and anointing for healing. All are welcome to attend.



Parish Barbecue

The sun shone (England won their game 6-1), the BBQ was sizzling, and everyone who came had a great time. Many thanks to all who supported this very enjoyable event, and especially to the committee who organized it, Sam, Sarah, Mary and Michael, for all their time and effort. Thanks also to those parishioners who made all the delicious cakes, and a big thankyou to those who were roped in to man the stalls and face painting. *Thank you all!*

BBQ Raffle Prizes: some not yet claimed!

Prize	Ticket Number	Name of Winner
Drinks Hamper	Green 116	A Morez (claimed)
Food Treats Hamper	Orange 423	Max de Gaynesford
Pamper Yourself Hamper	Orange 340	Thelma Martin (claimed)
Older Children's Hamper	Orange 370	B O'Reilly
Younger Children's Hamper	Green 286	B Downes
Tesco Gift Card (1)	Orange 81	I Choi
Tesco Gift Card (2)	Green 117	A Morez (claimed)
Tesco Gift Card (3)	Green 445	Brother Michael (claimed)
Pizza Express Gift Voucher	Orange 6	Elizabeth Hayes (claimed)

The BBQ raised £1300 towards the renovation of the Parish Hall. *Thank you!*



Have You Made a Will?

Making a will is an important thing to do so that your family and friends are clear about your wishes. It is also an opportunity to support a charity. If you have not yet made a will, CAFOD is offering you the opportunity to make one at no cost to you. The charity hopes that in return you will add a bequest to help its work, but there is no obligation to do so. There are leaflets in the church porch with full details about CAFOD's will writing service. Please take one.

Parish Gift Aid Scheme Members: Has your address changed?

If you are a member of the Parish Gift Aid scheme, please notify James Martin at edward854@edward854.plus.com of any change of address. If we do not have accurate up-to-date records, the Revenue may withdraw from the parish the privilege of the Gift Aid scheme.

New Altar Servers

Altar serving is an important ministry in the Church, and the priest relies on having a team of dedicated, well-trained and committed altar servers available for every Mass. If you would like to become an altar server, registration forms are available from the back of the church. Altar servers must have made their first Holy Communion.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Pope Francis tells us: "Many humble people confess to having fallen again. The most important thing in the life of every man and every woman is not that they should never fall along the way. The important thing is always to get back up, not to stay on the ground licking your wounds. The Lord of mercy always forgives me; he always offers me the possibility of starting over."

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is celebrated on Saturdays (11.30am-12 noon, and 5.30pm-6.25pm) in this church. Alternatively, see a priest after Mass.