

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 8 July 2018: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

6.30pm (Saturday)	Joao Baptista RIP
9.00am	Austin & Annie Henry
11.00am	Parishioners
5.30pm	May Wilkinson

Monday 9 July

7.30am	Friars & Benefactors
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Tuesday 10 July *St Veronica Giuliani*

7.30am	<i>St Anthony</i>
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Wednesday 11 July *St Benedict*

7.30am	James Kennedy
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Thursday 12 July *St John Jones & St John Wall*

7.30am	<i>In honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>
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Friday 13 July

7.30am	Joao Baptista RIP
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Saturday 14 July

8.00am	Maria Pereira's intention
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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:

James Mahon, Helen Boalch, John Hoadley, Nora Mannion, Doyle, James Maughan, Richard Breen, Patrick Flaherty & John Grandon.

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

COLLECTIONS:

Second Collection today: Apostleship of the Sea

Last week's collection:

Offertory	£475.59	+ Gift-aided	£94.50
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No second collection next week

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The Courage to Speak Up

Whenever you have something to say, not everyone is going to listen. Some people will roll their eyes. Others will wait until you've done and then change the subject. You don't always get the admiring audience you want.

This never stops God from putting passion into the human heart. Our faith becomes a part of us. When someone challenges something we believe in, we cannot keep quiet. It feels good to say what we think. It feels good to have other people know what matters to us the most.

God keeps putting the word into our hearts. We are called to speak up. When Ezekiel spoke God's word to people who were hard of face and obstinate of heart, God knew the word might not change them. But some good would come.

Even if people do not listen to our words, have courage—a seed has been planted.



1st Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Response: **Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.**

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Entrance Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

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This week:

Church Cleaning:

Groups of dedicated volunteers keep the church clean and tidy. This week is the turn of Group C: Margaret Madden & family, & Michael. Thank you.

Tuesday 10 July: St Veronica Giuliani, Capuchiness

Born in Mercatello, Italy, in 1660, she entered the Convent of Capuchin nuns and devoted herself to prayer and mortification, so as to be conformed to Christ crucified. As a result she received the stigmata and other signs of the Passion. She died in 1727.

Wednesday 11 July: St Benedict, Abbot & Patron of Europe

The Rule of Benedict has influenced countless numbers of men and women who chose to follow the spiritual path of community life. A founder of a dozen monasteries, including Monte Cassino, Benedict is the father of Western monasticism and a patron of Europe.

Thursday 12 July: St John Jones & St John Wall, Franciscan Martyrs

John Jones was born in England. He joined the Friars Minor and was later forced into exile in France, where he was ordained priest. After spending a short time in Rome, he returned to England and settled in London to work secretly as a priest. He was arrested, imprisoned, cruelly tortured and finally hanged on 12 July 1598.

John Wall was also born in England and ordained priest in France, where he joined the Friars Minor. He returned to his native land and for 22 years worked as a priest under an assumed name. Eventually he was arrested, tortured and condemned to death. He died a martyr on 22 August 1679.

Friday 13 July: Holy Rosary

On Friday evenings the Holy Rosary is recited in the church at 7pm. All are welcome.



Looking ahead: Saturday 21 July, Secular Franciscan Order Meeting

Beginning at 2.15pm in the Friary Chapel. We will be looking at the Beatitudes, and being salt and light in the world (Matthew 5:1–16). Anyone is welcome to attend.

Further details from Deacon Richard OFS (07881440305).



Weddings for 2019

If you are planning to get married in 2019, you should contact Fr Gordon as soon as possible to make the necessary arrangements.

The Diocese requires at least six months notice, which is essential in cases where the marriage is taking place abroad, when a good deal of administrative work has to be completed. Marriage preparation is also required, whether or not both partners are Catholic.

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.

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.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

It is a mark of greatness to be able to say, "I have made a mistake. I have sinned, Father, I have offended You, my God; I am sorry; I ask for pardon; I will try again, because I rely on Your strength, I believe in Your love. I know that your Son's paschal mystery—the Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ—is greater than my weakness and all the sins of the world. I will come and confess my sins and be healed, and I will live in Your love." (St John Paul II)

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.

The Mass

Walking forward to receive Holy Communion, we approach the altar of sacrificial love, where the Holy Spirit, through the ministry of the priest, has transformed (more technically, 'transubstantiated') bread and wine into Christ's very Body and Blood. In receiving the Eucharist, our 'consumption' is more than what we see. When we 'consume' Christ in the Eucharist, Christ is also consuming us with his grace. If we are properly disposed to receive Him, Jesus changes us from the inside out. Through Communion, we are given a 'divine blood transfusion' and a 'spiritual heart transplant'. God raises us to new heights, to give us a glimpse or foretaste of heaven.

Morning Mass is celebrated on every weekday (Monday–Friday at 7.30am & Saturday at 8am) in the Friary Chapel. Please enter via the main door of the Friary at 182 Iffley Road. Once in the porch, follow the sign to the Chapel.