

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 2 September 2018: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

6.30pm (Saturday)

9.00am

11.00am

5.30pm

Barnie Conway RIP

Parishioners

Angela Keown

Florentina Calisto &

Fernando Maia

Monday 3 September *St Gregory the Great*

7.30am

Friars & Benefactors

Tuesday 4 September

7.30am

St Anthony

Wednesday 5 September

7.30am

Daini & family

Thursday 6 September

7.30am

Kieran Hughes

Friday 7 September

7.30am

Pereira family

7.30pm

In honour of the Sacred Heart

Saturday 8 September *Our Lady's Birthday*

8.00am

Leatrice Beeson RIP

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:

Lucia Smith, Margaret O'Brien, John Nicholson, Maurice Costello, Mabel Sidaway, Giuseppina Partyka, Martin Meredith & Henry Brennan.

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

COLLECTIONS:

No Second Collection today

Last week's collection:

Offertory £385.19 + *Gift-aided* £72.00

No second collection next week

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No other people is as wise and prudent

Moses tells the people of Israel that other nations will admire their wisdom if they keep God's Law. But a key word there is "if" – *if* they keep God's Law.

G. K. Chesterton observed that "Christianity has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and not tried." But if we Christians actually tried to live out the teachings of the Gospel, then people might find out how wise it is.



1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8

Response: **The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

2nd Reading: James 1:17-18,21-22,27

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

Entrance Antiphon: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

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

Communion Antiphon: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Greyfriars News:

Br. Lucjan is returning to Greyfriars this week, after a year looking after the fraternity at Erith in London. Here in Oxford he will be looking after the brothers who are doing their philosophy and theology studies (two of them are arriving later this month).

The General Chapter of the Capuchin Franciscans continues in Rome until Sunday 16 September. Our own Br. Charles is there as a translator. Please pray for him and for all the other friars from around the world during this important conference, during which they elect someone to lead the Order for the next six years.

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.

Monday 3 September: St Gregory the Great

Although he never visited England, we celebrate this Pope as ‘Apostle of the English’ because he sent the first group of missionaries to the Anglo-Saxons. The story goes that he saw some Anglo-Saxons being sold as slaves and said, “They have an Angelic face, and it becomes such to be co-heirs with the Angels in heaven.”

Friday 7 September: Holy Rosary followed by First Friday Mass

Every Friday evening the Holy Rosary is recited in the church at 7pm. All are welcome. This week it is followed at 7.30pm by our monthly First Friday Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, with prayers and anointing for healing.

Saturday 8 September: Our Lady’s Birthday

Logically enough, we celebrate the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary nine months after the celebration of her Immaculate Conception. It has been traditional for Capuchins to make their first vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience on this date.

Next weekend, 8 & 9 September: Festival of Flowers and Open Day

Holy Trinity Church in Hethe, North Oxfordshire, is holding a flower festival and an exhibition of vestments from the 18th to the 20th centuries. More information is on the poster in the church porch.

Looking ahead:

Sunday 9 September: Trip to the National Eucharistic Congress

A coach will be going to Liverpool, leaving the Oxford Oratory at 7am, for the Solemn Mass in the Cathedral (presided over by Cardinal Vincent Nichols) and a Procession through the streets, ending with Benediction. After some free time in Liverpool, the coach will return to Oxford by about 9pm. To sign up, please email Fr Daniel Seward (parish@oxfordoratory.org.uk). Cost for the coach per person: £20, a donation which may be given in at the Porter’s Lodge at the Oratory or sent by bank transfer.



Kerala floods: an SVP appeal

As you’ve probably seen in the media, terrible floods have been taking place in Kerala in southern India. Hundreds of people have been killed and many more are missing; countless homes have been washed away, and the monsoon season is set to continue until early September. Kerala is the most Christian state in India – it has more churches than any other region. The leading Catholic volunteering charity, the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), is very active there and they are doing great work helping the victims of the flood in local communities. However, they desperately need funds. Please contribute to the SVP’s Kerala appeal. To donate visit www.svp.org.uk, telephone 020 7703 3030, or send cheques made out to SVP (write ‘Kerala appeal’ on the back) to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. And please remember our sisters and brothers in Kerala in your prayers.



Morning Mass

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

IF YOU GO INTO HOSPITAL...

Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an automatic visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is taken to hospital, please let the Friary know or ask the staff on the ward to contact the Catholic Chaplain so that the patient may receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick.

Greyfriars Parish Gift Aid, 2017-18 Tax Year

Arising from donations to the Greyfriars Gift Aid scheme for the financial year ending 5 April 2018, Her Majesty’s Revenue and Customs have credited the Parish with £3772.81. We are very grateful to all donors.

If anyone else paying tax on income and/or savings wishes to join the scheme it can be done by the completion of a simple form. For more information contact James Martin, the Gift Aid Organiser, at edward854@edward854.plus.com.



Register as a New Parishioner

Welcome to St Edmund & St Frideswide Catholic Church! If you are new to the parish and would like to register as a member, please complete a registration form, which can be found at the back of the church.

We look forward to getting to know you better. May the Lord bless you and your family.