

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 12 May 2019: 4th Sunday of Easter (Year C)

6.30pm (Saturday) Ana Simoes RIP
 9.00am Parishioners
 11.00am Vocations
 5.30pm In honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Monday 13 May *Our Lady of Fatima*
 7.30am Friars & Benefactors

Tuesday 14 May *St Matthias*
 7.30am Br Ade's intentions

Wednesday 15 May
 7.30am Sylvia & Davy Collins

Thursday 16 May *St Margaret of Cortona*
 7.30am Georgina Florence Pereira (birthday)

Friday 17 May *St Paschal Baylon*
 7.30am Kieran Hughes

Saturday 18 May *St Felix of Cantalice*
 8.00am Maria Fatima Soares, Carlos Godinho, etc. 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:

Colman Folan, Mary Nowland, Margaret West, Halcombe, Kenneth Walsh, Peppina Sordillo, Denis Ferriter, Agnes Moyles, Fred Fry, Yvonne East, Dr Evan James & Peter Ruane.

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

COLLECTIONS:

Second collection today: *Clergy Training Fund*

Last week's collection:

Offertory £501.58 + Gift-aided £90.00

Gift-aided donations by standing order for April 2019: £590.00

No second collection next week.

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The Good Shepherd



“Always have before your eyes the example of the Good Shepherd, who did not come to be served, but to serve and to seek and save what was lost.”

(Pope Francis, addressing new priests)



1st Reading: Acts 13:14,43-52

Response: **We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

2nd Reading: Apocalypse 7:9,14-17

Gospel: John 10:27-30

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Vocations Sunday

The Day of Prayer for Vocations flows from the broader culture of vocation and is when the universal Church asks the Lord to send more labourers to the harvest. Pope Francis has issued a message entitled 'The courage to take a risk for God's promise': <http://www.catholic-ew.org.uk/Home/News/Vocations-Message>.

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 13 May: Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a small group of ordinary Catholics who gather to pray and to organise works of mercy. If you would like to join a meeting and find out more, come to the door of the sacristy (at the side of the church) at 7.30pm.

Tuesday 14 May: Parish groups and volunteers

If you are part of any parish group or if you assist in the parish in any way, you are invited to a gathering at 7pm on 14 May. The first part of the meeting will be a social, with a buffet meal, to thank you for what you do and to find out about what others do. In the second part we will look ahead to the coming year, with a particular focus on the Oxford City-Wide Mission.

Thursday 16 May: Alpha@Greyfriars

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open, and informal environment. Each session includes food, a short talk, and a discussion where you can share your thoughts. There's no pressure, no follow up, and no charge. We meet at 6.30pm in the church hall. <https://alpha.org.uk/tryalpha>.

Friday 17 May: Holy Rosary

Every Friday evening we pray the Holy Rosary in the church at 7pm. All are welcome.

Saturday 18 May: 'The Gospel according to Francis'

The Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) will hold an Open Day of Recollection, at the Mornese Centre, Elmthorpe Convent, Oxford Road, Cowley OX4 2LF, 10:00 to 16:00. Br. Paul Coleman OFMCap. will provide reflection around the theme 'The Gospel according to Francis'. All welcome - details on the church notice board. Further details: mamartin@live.co.uk.

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Looking ahead:

Saturday 18 - Sunday 19 May: photographer at all Sunday Masses

At Masses next weekend a parishioner will be taking photographs, which we intend to use on our website and in other publicity. If you do not want photos of you to be used in this way, please tell Br. Paul.

Sunday 19 May: Br. Lucjan raising money for The Gatehouse

The Gatehouse is a café for homeless and other vulnerable people in the centre of Oxford. Our Br. Lucjan volunteers there once a week, and on 19 May will be taking part in Bike Oxford 2019 to raise funds for it. You can sponsor him here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/br-Lucjan-OFMCap>, or just pass him a donation in old-fashioned cash.

Friday 7 - Sunday 9 June: WYD@Home

Young people aged 16-30 are invited to join in a weekend of world-renowned Christian music artists, sacramental celebrations, inspirational speakers and workshops with praise and worship led by incredible talent. This weekend of fellowship in Alton, Staffordshire, will be filled with opportunities to celebrate your faith with hundreds of other young adults from across the country. For more information and to book your place, please visit www.wydathome.com.

Wednesday 26 June: CAFOD action against climate change

Our climate is in crisis. The pace of change is too slow. It is time to say 'Enough.' On Wednesday 26 June thousands of us will gather outside Westminster to tell our MPs that climate change and environmental degradation must stop. Find out more here: <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>.

Oxford City-Wide Mission (25 May-14 June 2020)

During the mission, all the Sunday Masses in Oxford will be 'Come and See' Masses for the lapsed and unchurched. You will be encouraged to bring along one or more of your lapsed or non-Catholic friends. On these occasions, there will be a commentary to help those who would be unfamiliar with Mass, and the homily will be tailored to them as well. We will be preparing for this mission over the coming year, and we will be thinking together about other ways to welcome new people to the church.

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Welcome to St Edmund & St Frideswide Catholic Church!

If you are new to the parish and would like to register as a member—whether or not you are a Catholic—please complete a registration form, which can be found in the porch. May the Lord bless you and your family.

Tea/Coffee after the 11am Sunday Mass

Coffee/tea and light refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after the 11am Sunday Mass. It is a great opportunity to come after Mass and have a drink and chat, meet friends and make new ones. All are welcome.

Website of the Week

Each week, we recommend a website and/or app of Catholic interest. This Sunday, it's *Vatican News* (<https://www.vaticannews.va/>), on which you can keep up with global Catholic news and the latest teachings from the Pope.