

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 14 July 2019: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6.30pm (Saturday) Antonio Jose Eduardo RIP
9.00am Intentions of Maria C. Pereira
11.00am Parishioners
5.30pm Mary Dias RIP

Monday 15 July *St Bonaventure*

7.30am Friars & Benefactors

Tuesday 16 July

7.30am Jose Manuel Martinho Madeira RIP

Wednesday 17 July

7.30am John Collins

Thursday 18 July

7.30am Kieran Hughes

Friday 19 July

7.30am *In honour of St Anthony*

Saturday 20 July

8.00am Domingos Fatima Freitas RIP

CONFESSIONS: 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:

Clara Steed, Trevor Anthony Parry, Gloria Blach, Margaret O'Callaghan, Gladys Fegan, Ethel Hamilton, Casey, Brendan Mills, & Michael Lydon.

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

COLLECTIONS:

Second collection today (blue bag): Apostleship of the Sea

Last week's collection:

Offertory £649.00 + Gift-aided £113.65

Gift-aided donations by standing order for June 2019: £810.

No second collection next week

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Who is my neighbour?

“It is not up to us to try to categorise people, to see if they count as our neighbours. Rather, the decision to be, or not be a neighbour, depends on us. It depends on me. It depends on me to be or not be a neighbour to the person I meet who has need of my help, even if he's a stranger, or even hostile.”

- Pope Francis



1st Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Response: **Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.**

2nd Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young; by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Sunday 14 July: Sea Sunday

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. Please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. To donate online please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

Parish BBQ Raffle

Many thanks to those who helped with the summer barbecue two weeks ago. We raised £764.07 for the renovation of the church hall. And, more importantly, a good time was had by all. A video of the event can be seen on the parish website: <https://greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com/>

Some raffle prizes have not yet been claimed. The ticket nos. are 50, 63, 66, and 158.

This week:

Church Cleaning:

Groups of dedicated volunteers keep the church clean and tidy. This week is the turn of Group D: Norbert & Leonel. Thank you.

Monday 15 July: 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.

Thursday 18 July: 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. This week the question is, 'What about the Church?'

This is the last session in this Alpha course. In the autumn we'll be holding an Alpha Youth course – watch this space for more info.

Friday 19 July: Holy Rosary

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

Saturday 20 July: Secular Franciscans

The next meeting of the Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) will take place on Saturday 20 July, 2.15pm at Greyfriars Friary for devotions and reflections on 'Life in Fraternity: All Christians, by reason of their baptism, are one with each other in Jesus'. All welcome.



Pastoral letter from the Archbishop

The Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) has published a report on

its case study of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, which can be found here: <https://www.iicsa.org.uk/news/inquiry-publishes-report-archdiocese-birmingham-case-study>. Archbishop Bernard Longley has written a pastoral letter about this, and copies of it are available at the back of church. He asks us to join him in prayer for all those who have suffered abuse in our Archdiocese, that we may learn from their courageous example about the depths of God's love, and to pray also that we may become more and more a Church where children and vulnerable people experience the compassionate love of Jesus Christ.



Parish Gift Aid 2018-19

The Archdiocese has been informed by HM Revenue and Customs of the details of the Parish Remittance Report indicating that the sum due to the parish of St Edmund and St Frideswide from donations made during the financial year 2018-19 is £4219.17.

Parish Gift Aid Scheme Members: Has your address changed?

If you are a member of the 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.



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 at the back of the church. We look forward to getting to know you better. 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

Samaritans (<https://www.samaritans.org/>) is a charity dedicated to reducing feelings of isolation and disconnection that can lead to suicide. Every six seconds, they respond to a call for help. Every year, they answer more than 5 million calls for help by phone, email, SMS, letter, or face to face at one of their local branches.



Parish priest's holiday

Please note that Br. Paul will be away from 20 July to 3 August. For urgent pastoral needs, contact the friary on 01865 243694.