

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 15 September 2019: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6.30pm (Saturday)		Nelia Madalena Martin Madeira
9.00am		Maria Pereira (thanksgiving)
11.00am		Elda Da Costa RIP (anniv.)
5.30pm		Parishioners
Monday 16 September	St Cornelius & St Cyprian	
7.30am		Friars & Benefactors
Tuesday 17 September	Stigmata of St Francis	
7.30am		Eva & Tomasz (wedding anniversary)
Wednesday 18 September	St Joseph of Cupertino	
7.30am		
Thursday 19 September	St Francis Mary of Camporosso	
7.30am		Holy Souls
Friday 20 September	St Andrew Kim Taegon & Companions	
7.30am		Kieran Hughes
Saturday 21 September	St Matthew	
8.00am		Pious Union

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:

Agnes Hoare, John Hoffman, Edith Mutters, Michael Dix, Wasyl Luciw, Lilian Corker, Mary Laval, Frances Connearn Taylor, & William Simpson.

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

COLLECTIONS:

Second collection today: Catholic Evangelisation

Last week's collections:

Offertory	£425.78.	+ Gift-aided	£153.00
Catholic Education Service	£228.00	+ Gift-aided	£31.00

Second collection next week: Fr Hudson's Society

Gift-aided donations by standing order for August 2019: £870

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'I have found my sheep that was lost'



1st Reading: Exodus 32:7-11,13-14

Response: **I will leave this place and go to my father.**

2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

Entrance Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

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Sunday 15 September: Home Mission Sunday

We are invited to find ourselves in the Gospel story as we accompany the characters who call out, 'Rejoice with me!' These words express the joy of finding something, or someone they had lost. Imagine the joy in your own heart when you see someone you love coming home to Church, because they are seeking or have found Christ. Occasionally this happens by direct divine intervention, but more often we are called to be the face of Christ, praying for, inviting, and welcoming those we love into a relationship with Him.

The Home Mission Office is a national organisation that helps the local Church engage in the vital mission of Evangelisation. This weekend, they ask for our prayers and our financial support through the second collection. For more information about the Home Mission Office or to donate online please visit www.homemission.org.uk.

This week:

Church Cleaning:

Groups of dedicated volunteers keep the church clean and tidy. This week is the turn of Group A: Mary Joyce & family. Thank you.

Monday 16 September: 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 17 September: Stronger Faith

What is the Church for? What should it be doing? What should we be doing, as members of the Church? At 7.30pm we begin a series of five presentations to help you explore what you believe about the purpose of the Church and your part in it.

Friday 20 September: Holy Rosary

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

Saturday 21 September: Wedding of Mauro Vardaro & Gina Gamberoni

Natives of Italy, but long-time residents of Oxford, Mauro and Gina will marry at 1pm. We congratulate them and pray God's blessing upon them.

Also Saturday 21 September: Secular Franciscan Order

For people who wish to follow the Franciscan way in everyday life. Gathering at 2.15pm in Greyfriars Friary. Devotions and reflections: Life in fraternity - animating, guiding, experiencing, and reaching out in the true bonds of brotherly and sisterly love. All welcome.

Looking ahead:

Youth Alpha Oxford

On Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm, beginning from 25 September, there will be an Alpha course aimed particularly at ages 12-18. Feel free to invite friends from school

or college. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fjL4NsAfM>.

Sunday 29 September: Soul Food

Soul Food is a new, monthly initiative for young people in Year 10+ in Oxford. The next gathering is 4pm - 5.30pm on Sunday 29 September here at Greyfriars. The afternoon involves icebreakers, activities, a short talk pitched at young people, discussion, prayer, and very importantly CHIP BUTTIES! It's completely free and it's open to all young people aged Year 10+. The theme of this first Soul Food is 'Faith and Science'. Email stephen.harris@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk if you would like to know more.

Saturday 5 October: St Joseph's School Reunion

This year St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is marking the school's rich history and contribution of 150 years to Catholic Education. The present school community would like to welcome back past pupils, parents, staff, and members from the local parish communities to a Celebration Reunion from 3 pm to 7 pm on Saturday 5 October. It will include a chance to visit the present-day school, chat over a cup of tea or coffee, and browse photos from the archives or which others may bring.

Confirmations 2020

We are now open to applications for the Confirmation preparation course. If you are in Year 6 or above, please pick up a form from the back of church and return it by the end of September.



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.

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.



Ethical Superstore

If you are interested in shopping online for eco-friendly or fairly-traded goods, then let us refer you to *Ethical Superstore*. Just give us your name and email address on the form at the back of church (or by email), and you will receive a free £10 voucher to get you started on your first shop of £25 or more. And the parish account with *Ethical Superstore* will also receive a £10 voucher when you place that first order.

Website of the Week

The National Office for Vocation (<http://www.ukvocation.org/>) provides guidance for discerning the various vocations within the Christian life.