

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**Sunday 9 February 2020: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

6.30pm (Saturday) Hannelore & Hans Groeger RIP  
9.00am Parishioners  
11.00am Friars & Benefactors  
5.30pm Lost souls

**Monday 10 February St Scholastica**

7.30am Br. Loarne's intention

**Tuesday 11 February Our Lady of Lourdes**

7.30am In honour of St Anthony

**Wednesday 12 February**

7.30am Patricia Phillip RIP

**Thursday 13 February**

7.30am Kieran Hughes

**Friday 14 February St Cyril &**

7.30am **St Methodius** Br. Antony's intention

**Saturday 15 February Memorial of the**

8.00am **Blessed Virgin Mary** Agnes Moyles 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:**

Liam Mulhern, Margaret Hillier, Monica Simmons, Richard Alarcon, Joseph Siurek, Patrick McWilliams, Piotr Lacny, Catherine O'Hanlon, Margaret Dickson, Ernest Parker, Ellen McAvoy, & McGovern.

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

### COLLECTIONS:

**Second collection today: Racial Justice**

**Last week's collection:**

Offertory £520.04 + Gift-aided £89.40

**Second collection next week: Pro Life**

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## Let your light shine

“Both salt and light are for others, not for oneself:  
salt does not give flavour to itself;  
light does not illuminate itself.”

Pope Francis



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

Response: **The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

**Entrance Antiphon:** O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

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## Oxford City-Wide Mission Prayer

Lord God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon the whole city of Oxford.

Bless all who live here with faith in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Inflame my faith anew

and inspire us as a parish

with new ways to introduce people

in the local community to your unfailing love.

We pray that your grace may overcome every barrier

and reconcile us all to yourself,

through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Our Lady, first disciple of Jesus, pray for us.

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## Sunday 9 February: Racial Justice Sunday

The theme of this year's Racial Justice Sunday is 'You are at the heart of the Church' and will celebrate the contribution that the Travelling Communities make within our parishes and to encourage parishioners to be more welcoming towards fellow Catholics who come from a Traveller background. To support the Church in its work with Travellers, a second collection will be taken this weekend. Your contributions, however great or small, will help to make a difference. In addition, at the back of the church there are cards which have a series of quotations from Pope Francis which come from an address he gave during a pilgrimage for Gypsies, Roma, and Travellers.

*This week:*

### Church Cleaning:

Groups of dedicated volunteers keep the church clean and tidy. This week is the turn of Group B: Sam and John. Thank you.

### Monday 10 February: Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a small group of ordinary Catholics who gather to pray and to organise works of mercy. Come to the door of the sacristy at 7.30pm.

### Wednesday 12 February: YouChat

A weekly gathering for young people (ages 12–18) involving food, fun, and faith-filled conversation. We'll be going through *YouCat*, the Catholic catechism for young people. No need to book—just turn up at 6.30pm in the church hall.

### Thursday 13 February: CAFOD Supporters' event

Come and hear from our very own Oxford parishioner and CAFOD schools' team member Susan Kambalu about her experience visiting our partners, be inspired by other supporters, and have an energising session. 10.30am–12.30pm (coffee/tea from 10am) at Our Lady Help of Christians, 59 Hollow Way, Cowley, Oxford OX4 2ND. Please book a place: 01494 863 777 or [dpurfield@cafod.org.uk](mailto:dpurfield@cafod.org.uk).

## Also Thursday 13 February: Bible study

Our twice-a-month Bible study group meets 7.30–8.30pm, in the library of the Friary, 182 Iffley Road. Anyone is welcome and no theological training is necessary. We are going through the book of Genesis: please read chapters 10 and 11 before the meeting.

## Friday 14 February: Holy Rosary

Every Friday evening the Holy Rosary is recited in the church at 7pm. All are welcome.

## Saturday 15 February: Secular Franciscan Order meeting

At Greyfriars Friary, from 2.15pm. Devotions followed by reflections on Ronald Rolheiser's *Domestic Monastery*. "For any of us ... one of the richest experiences of grace that we can have ... is the experience of friendship." All welcome.

## Also Saturday 15 February: HAKUNA Holy Hour

From 5pm there will be Eucharistic exposition, with songs, readings, and times of silent prayer.

*Looking ahead:*

## 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 Greyfriars Connect form, which can be found at the back of the church. May the Lord bless you and your family.

## Tea/Coffee after the 9am & 11am Sunday Masses

Coffee/tea and light refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses. It is a great opportunity to come after Mass and have a drink and chat, meet friends and make new ones. All are welcome.

## Oxford Winter Night Shelter (OWNS)

From January to March, we are hosting the Oxford Winter Night Shelter in our church hall on Tuesday nights. We welcome volunteers to help in preparing or cleaning the hall each week—just speak to Br. Paul.

## Weddings 2020

If you are planning to get married in 2020, you should contact Br. Paul 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.

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## Website of the Week

The *Traveller Movement* (<https://travellermovement.org.uk/>) is a national charity committed to the fulfilment of human rights for ethnic minority Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller people.