

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Although there will be no public Mass,  
the friars will continue offering Mass for your intentions

### Sunday 12 April 2020: Easter Sunday (Year A)

8.30pm (Saturday) Parishioners  
9.00am Kieran Hughes  
11.00am James Martin RIP

### Monday 13 April

8.00am Br. Ambrose's intentions

### Tuesday 14 April

8.00am Lost souls

### Wednesday 15 April

8.00am Pious Union

### Thursday 16 April

8.00am All victims of the coronavirus, those  
working to find a cure, and the NHS

### Friday 17 April

8.00am Br. Lucjan's intentions

### Saturday 18 April

8.00am Br. Charles's intentions

**Please pray for those members of our community who are sick.**

**Pray, too, for those whose anniversaries occur about this time, including:**

Catherine Caroline Hogan, Ellen Carney, William John Charlesworth, Ivy Guilfoyle, Roland Badcock, Paul McCartney, Robert Kelly, Daniel O'Riordan, Alma Clifford, Julie Morgan, Leon Wadepohl, Alice Franklin, Janet Molyneux-Paul, & Nicolas Murphy.

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

## COLLECTIONS

**Normal Sunday collections cannot be taken under current circumstances. Donations can be sent to the friary (cheques made payable to 'Capuchin Oxford Parish'). Or you can contact the parish office about online donations.**

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1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 10:34,37-43

Response: **This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Passion Gospel: John 20:1-9

**Entrance Antiphon:** I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

## Live-streaming of services

Sadly, because of the coronavirus epidemic, there will be no public Masses or other public gatherings for worship till further notice. But we friars are celebrating Mass every day in our chapel, remembering you all in our prayers, and we invite you to join us in spirit. We will also be live-streaming our Masses and other times of prayer, so that you can join us virtually as well. The live-stream is on the main page of our website ([www.greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com](http://www.greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com)) and also on the friars' YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/user/CapuchinFranciscan](http://www.youtube.com/user/CapuchinFranciscan)).

It's helpful when watching Mass on the internet to set up some kind of 'altar' e.g. with candles, a crucifix, and a Missal or a Bible in front of the screen you'll be streaming it on. Rather than sitting on the sofa, consider sitting on a hardback chair and using cushions as kneelers, to enter more prayerfully into Mass.

## A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You.*

*Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

## Easter services

Like the services of Holy Thursday and Good Friday, so too the Easter Vigil and the Masses of Easter Sunday week will be live-streamed not only via the parish website ([www.greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com](http://www.greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com)) but also on the *CapuchinFranciscan* YouTube channel ([www.youtube.com/user/CapuchinFranciscan](http://www.youtube.com/user/CapuchinFranciscan)) at the following times:

8.30pm Saturday 11 April, Blessing of the Easter Fire

8.45pm Saturday 11 April, Easter Vigil

9.00am Sunday 12 April, Easter Sunday Mass

11.00am Sunday 12 April, Easter Sunday Mass

Also 8.00am Monday 13 – Saturday 18 April, Masses of Easter Week

## Cardinal Vincent Nichols on local radio on Easter Sunday (8am)

Cardinal Nichols has recorded a special radio programme for the BBC on Easter Sunday. This is scheduled to be broadcast at 8am on all 39 BBC local radio stations. This service could be especially useful to those without internet access, so please pass this information on to anyone you think may be interested.

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## James Martin RIP

With sadness we report the death of our long-standing and hard-working parishioner James Martin. He was a regular at the 9am Mass, the secretary of the parish council, a safeguarding officer, and looked after financial things like the administration of Gift

Aid. He died of cancer in Sobell House hospice late at night on Saturday 4 April. Please pray for him and also for his wife Thelma. May he rest in peace and rise in the glory of Christ.

We will publicise the time of his funeral when that is arranged; but under current restrictions only a handful of people may attend.

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## Friary news

All the brothers at Greyfriars are in good health at the moment. They are grateful for the prayers, the messages of support, and the donations of food or money that you have been sending. Please be sure that you are also in their prayers.

## Greyfriars Community Support

If you need to be at home for an extended period during these weeks and need help with shopping or an errand, please email us at [GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com](mailto:GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com) or call 01865 256750 or 07917 562661 to let us know. To reduce any risk of infection, shopping etc. would be left on the doorstep rather than handed over in person.

If you are not in a vulnerable group and want to help, please let us know by email at [GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com](mailto:GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com) that you can do so; we will then be able to get in touch with you as and when help is needed.

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## Intercessory Prayer Group

The Lord instructed us to pray not only for our personal needs but to reach out and pray for others as well. We find this in 1 Timothy 2:1-6 where we are told to pray and to make intercession for all people. We have started a parish Intercessory Prayer Group. Therefore, if you would like us to pray for somebody, please email [GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com](mailto:GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com) or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

## A prayer in time of pandemic

*Almighty and eternal God,*

*our refuge in every danger,*

*to whom we turn in our distress:*

*in faith we pray,*

*look with compassion on the afflicted,*

*grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners,*

*healing to the sick, peace to the dying,*

*strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders,*

*and the courage to reach out to all in love,*

*so that together we may give glory to your holy name.*

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*