

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 30 August 2020: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

6.30pm (Saturday)	Santana Da Silva (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary)
9.00am	Parishioners
11.00am	Christy & Winnie Joyce RIP
5.30pm	Cipriano Goncalves
Monday 31 August	<i>St Aidan &amp; all the saints of Lindisfarne</i>
7.30am	Private intention
Tuesday 1 September	
7.30am	Kieran Hughes
Wednesday 2 September	
7.30am	Friars & Benefactors
Thursday 3 Sept.	<i>St Gregory the Great</i>
7.30am	Sylvia & Davy Collins & family
Friday 4 September	
7.30am	Thanksgiving
Sat. 5 September	
8.00am	Vocations

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

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

Fr John O'Reilly, James Patten, Pierre Dubois, Lucia Smith, & Margaret O'Brien.

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

## COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection:

Offertory 23 August £348.29 + Gift-aided £66.50

*SS Edmund and Frideswide  
Roman Catholic Church*

Iffley Road, Oxford OX4 1SB

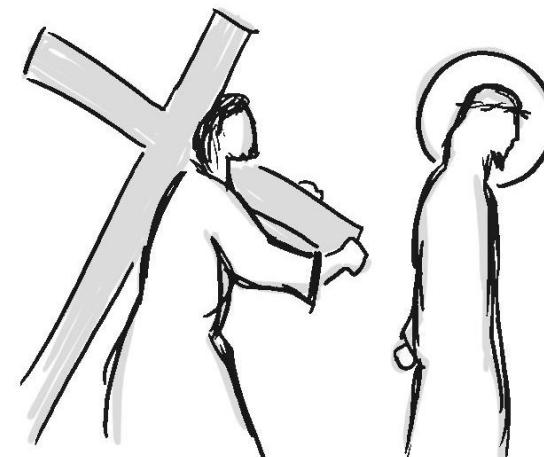
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*Take up  
your  
CROSS  
&  
FOLLOW  
ME*



1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Response: **For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

**Entrance Antiphon:** Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

**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 great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

## **Public Masses**

Places of worship have been allowed to hold public services since Saturday 4 July. The Catholic bishops have emphasised that there is still no obligation on people to come to Mass at this stage. But for those who wish to come, Sunday Masses are at 6.30pm on Saturday, and 9am, 11am, and 5.30pm on Sunday. Weekday Masses are at 7.30am Monday to Friday, and 8am on Saturday.

## **Coronavirus safeguards**

Although we can welcome people for Mass and other services, the coronavirus has not gone away, so there are still precautions in place. Everyone attending Mass is required to keep at least one metre away from other people (except members of their own household) and to wear a face covering (although some people are exempt from this requirement: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-when-to-wear-one-and-how-to-make-your-own>). It is preferable for you to bring your own face covering, but we can supply a face mask if need be.

## **Church opening times**

Whenever there is Mass, the church will be open at least half an hour beforehand. In addition, the church will be open for private prayer from 5pm to 7pm Monday–Friday. In order to do this safely, we have volunteers to supervise the use of the church and to clean it afterwards. We are very grateful to all those who have volunteered.

## **Live-streaming of services**

Mass continues to be broadcast via the internet. The live-stream can be found 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](https://www.youtube.com/user/CapuchinFranciscan)). Please see the notice in the church porch for more details and what to do if you don't wish to appear on the live stream.

## **Confessions**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available in the church (in the Lady Chapel) between 5.30pm and 6.15pm on Saturdays.



## **Saturday 12 September: Ride + Stride**

This annual event is organised by the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and raises money for maintaining or renovating churches in the county. If you take part you can stipulate that 50% of what you raise goes to Greyfriars. See their website (<https://ohct.org.uk/ride-and-stride/>) or the notice in the porch.

## **Also in September: Belonging & Believing**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? In September we will begin a course for people to find out more about the faith and possibly be baptised or received into the Church at Easter (this course is sometimes called RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation

of Adults). It is also suitable for people returning to the Church after a long time. Under the current circumstances, most of the course will be online. Please contact Br. Paul via the parish office to find out more and/or register to come.



## **Intercessory Prayer Group**

If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email [GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com](mailto:GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com) or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

## **Greyfriars Community Support**

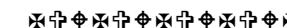
If you are still 'shielding' or self-isolating during these weeks and need help with shopping or an errand, please email us at [GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com](mailto:GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com) or call 01865 256750 or 07917 562661 to let us know. To reduce any risk of infection, shopping etc. would be left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

## **Holy Communion for the housebound**

Please let Br. Paul know if you or a loved one cannot attend Mass so that he can arrange Holy Communion at home. The priest or Eucharistic minister will wear a face mask, sanitise their hands, and observe social distancing as much as possible.

## **Housing the homeless**

*Green Pastures* is a Christian charity that works with local churches to accommodate people who have become homeless. So far they have housed over 1100 people across the country. See their website (<https://www.greenpastures.net/>) for more information and let Br. Paul know if you're interested in being involved.



## **Website of the week**

A little light entertainment for the bank holiday weekend: *Tomics* (<https://www.patreon.com/tomics/posts>) is a series of humorous comic strips about the life of Jesus and related figures in the Bible. You can also find them on Facebook.

TOMICS by Tom Gould

