

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

### Sunday 6 September 2020: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

6.30pm (Saturday)	Private intention
9.00am	Ruth & Joel Da Cunha
11.00am	Parishioners
5.30pm	Jose Ferreira Martins RIP

### Monday 7 September

7.30am	Kieran Hughes
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<b>Tuesday 8 September</b>	<b><i>Birthday of Our Lady</i></b>
7.30am	Johnny & Heidi Joyce and family

### Wednesday 9 September

7.30am	John Barnes RIP [Anniversary]
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### Thursday 10 September *Blessed Agnellus of Pisa*

7.30am	Anthony Joyce RIP
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### Friday 11 September

7.30am	Friars & Benefactors
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### Saturday 12 September *Holy Name of Mary*

8.00am	Vocations
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**Please pray for those members of our community who are sick.**

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

John Nicholson, Maurice Costello, Mabel Sidaway, Giuseppina Partyka, Martin Meredith, Henry Brennan, John Barnes, John Power, Agnes Jordan, Stella Weaver, Pietro Rinaldi, Colin Mathew Kelly, Arthur Devine, & Josef Besikewski.

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

## COLLECTIONS

**Last week's collection:**

<i>Offertory 30 August</i>	£505.08	+ <i>Gift-aided</i>	£30.00
<i>Online donations</i>	£30.00	+ <i>Gift-aided</i>	£220.00

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## SS Edmund and Frideswide Roman Catholic Church

Iffley Road, Oxford OX4 1SB

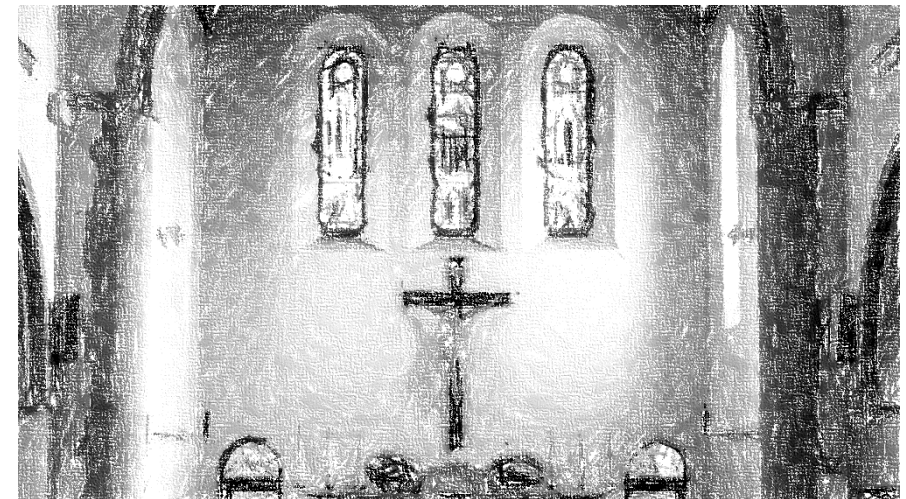
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1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Response: **O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts.'**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 13:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

**Entrance Antiphon:** You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord: consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

## Friars' Chapter

This week most of the friars will be attending their Chapter, which occurs once every three years. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to guide their time together and the decisions that are made.

During this week the parish office will be closed, although Br. Paul will be monitoring emails and will answer urgent matters.

## Church opening times

Masses continue as normal this week, with the church opening half an hour beforehand. 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.

**NB.** The church will *not*, however, be open in the evenings for private prayer.

## 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.

## 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](http://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.

*This week:*

## Sunday 6 September: Baptism of Veronica Anna Leary

Please pray for Veronica and her family—today she will be born again through water and the Holy Spirit.

## 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? This month 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.

## Season of Creation (1 September-4 October)

This annual celebration unites Christians in prayer and action for the protection of our common home. The season finishes on 4 October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. See <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/environment/season-of-creation/>.



## 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

*The Greyfriars* (<https://www.thegreyfriars.org/>) is the website of the Conventual Franciscans. They are a different branch of the Franciscans from the Capuchins whom we have here at this Greyfriars (yes, it's confusing). The Conventuals have a friary a few streets away from our church, and deliveries for 'Greyfriars' often end up at the wrong address. Their chapel isn't normally open to the public; but you can often see them out and about—unlike our friars, they actually wear grey!