

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 27 September 2020: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)		
6.30pm (Saturday)		Friars & Benefactors
9.00am		Parishioners
11.00am		Kieran Hughes
5.30pm		Manuel Soares Pinto & Nuno Inosenleu DeJesus Pinto
Monday 28 September		
7.30am		Johnny & Heidi Joyce & Family
Tuesday 29 September	Sts Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels	Br. Ambrose's intention
7.30am		
Wednesday 30 September	St Jerome	Thanksgiving
7.30am		
Thursday 1 October	St Thérèse of Lisieux	All lost souls
7.30am		
Friday 2 October	Guardian Angels	Thanksgiving [Vas Family] for Healing
7.30am		
Saturday 3 October		Private intention
8.00am		

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

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

Helena O'Shea, John Drennan, Ronald Armstrong, Gertrude Wadepohl, Catherine Ley, Glenys O'Reilly, Edmund Murphy, Marjorie Cook, Mash Griezitis, & Anthony McDonnell.

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

COLLECTIONS

Last week's collection:

<i>Offertory 20 September</i>	£305.44	+ <i>Gift-aided</i>	£44.00
<i>Online donations</i>	£30.00	+ <i>Gift-aided</i>	£390.00
<i>For the Holy Places</i>	£152.72	+ <i>Gift-aided</i>	£3.00

Special collection next week: Fr Hudson's Care

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A common purpose and a common mind



1st Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Response: **Remember your mercy, Lord.**

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Entrance Antiphon: All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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This weekend: ‘Together in Faith’ - a parish survey

At Greyfriars, we believe that it’s important to know you better and to try to improve the way we serve you. So we are inviting all our congregation to take part in a survey. The survey form will be published on the internet and in paper copies, and of course your individual replies will be treated in confidence.

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Church opening times

Public Masses are 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. The church will also be open on weekday evenings for private prayer, 5pm–7pm.

Coronavirus safeguards

We welcome people for Mass and other services, but precautions are still in place. Those attending Mass must keep at least one metre away from other people (except members of their own household) and wear a face covering (unless exempted). Bring your own face covering if possible, please, 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 our website (www.greyfriarsoxford.weebly.com) and the friars’ YouTube channel (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.

In the coming week:

The Season of Creation (1 September-4 October) continues

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/>.

Wednesday 30 September: YouChat Online (7.20-8.30pm)

Our youth group currently meets on the internet via Zoom. The theme during this month is ‘The Holy Spirit in our lives’. Contact the parish office if you want to join in.

Thursday 1 October: Belonging & Believing (7.30pm)

Interested in the Catholic faith? On Thursday we begin a course for people to find out more about what we believe, 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. Most of the course will be online. Please contact Br. Paul to find out more and/or register to come.

Saturday 3 October: Transitus of St Francis

The Conventual Franciscans and members of the Secular Franciscans will join us at 5.30pm in the church to commemorate the death of St Francis of Assisi in the evening of 3 October 1226. Everyone else is welcome to come as well.

Sunday 4 October: Feast of St Francis

Because this feast is a solemnity for us as a Franciscan church, all the Sunday Masses will celebrate St Francis. In addition, at the 5.30pm Mass we will have a guest preacher: Fr Oliver Keenan of the Dominicans at Blackfriars.

Also on Sunday 4 October: Parish social online (7.30pm)

As part of the celebrations, we will have an informal gathering on Zoom—a chance to chat, catch up with old friends, and make new ones. If want to come but are not on the mailing list, let us know so we can send you the link. Bring your own bottle/cake!

Looking further ahead:

Tuesday 6 October: School of Prayer—Your Word is Light and Hope

For all who are looking for a personal relationship with God or to deepen their prayer life, the School of Prayer is a space to listen to the Word of God, absorb and meditate on that Word in our hearts, and incarnate that Word in our lives. It is an eleven-session course on Tuesdays from 6 October to 1 December, 7-8.30pm. The sessions are stand-alone, so you can just drop in. This term we will be focusing on examples of Old Testament People: from Abraham to Mary. Under current circumstances the School of Prayer will be online. To register please contact greyfriarszoom@gmail.com.

Wednesday 14 October: Funeral of Mary Gaffey RIP

Mary died at the age of 32 on 15 September. Her funeral will be at 11am on 14 October. Please pray for her family, especially her husband and children.

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Intercessory Prayer Group

If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email 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 and need help with shopping or an errand, please let us know at GreyFriarsIffley@gmail.com or on 01865 256750 or 07917 562661. To reduce any risk of infection, shopping etc. would be left on the doorstep.

Website of the week

The Society of Catholic Artists (<http://catholicartists.co.uk/>) is for those engaged as professional or amateurs in the various disciplines of the Visual Arts, and for all those who recognize the value of the artist as an evangelist assisting in the pastoral work of the church. The website has an amazing gallery of the members’ work.