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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 2nd July 2023

1st Reading – Second Book of Kings 4:8-11,14-16
 Psalm – I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.
 2nd Reading – St Paul to the Romans 6:3-4,8-11
 Gospel – Matthew 10:37-42

Congratulations to our Brothers Antonio and Pradeep on having finished their studies at Blackfriars. Br. Antonio will be going back to his home Province in Italy on the 18th July.

Second Collection for Peter's Pence – there is a second collection at all Masses this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

First Friday Devotions — Our devotions in honour of the Sacred Heart will begin at 7pm this Friday with a Mass. Then we will have the chance to spend time with the Lord during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and a chance to receive the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. All welcome to join us.

Deanery Vocations Mass – There will be a Deanery Mass for Vocations on Monday July 10th at 7.00pm at Blessed Dominic Barberi Church, Littlemore. July is the month for Oxford North Deanery to pray and promote vocations. All are invited to attend, it would be good to see our parish represented.

Survive-Miva Appeal - Survive-Miva is a Catholic Lay Association and a Registered Charity founded in Liverpool in 1974. They exist to provide funding for essential transport for health outreach work in isolated rural areas, and for the Church's pastoral care in places of difficult access. They will be making an appeal in our parish on the weekend of 15th/16th July. Thank you for your generosity in support of their important work across the world. You can find out more about them from the magazine in the porch.

Would you like to grow in holiness? Have you ever wanted to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Lord and didn't know how to go about it? Do you leave Mass thinking, I wish I had more time to 'ponder' on the Gospel? Then you need to join our *lectio divina* (divine word) prayer group, which aims to follow the Church Fathers, by reading Scripture in small groups, by imitating our Mother in pondering the Word of the Lord, and by allowing the Holy Spirit to speak to us in the silence of our hearts. Led by Br. Martin Sanderson, the group will meet in the friary library on Mondays 17.30-19.00, for six weeks. Next meeting will be Monday 3rd July. Br. Martin will read an extract from the Bible: the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

Would you like to know more? Email: iffleycross@gmail.com.

Would all Gift Aid donors please tell the organiser, Thelma Martin (edward854@edward854.plus.com), if they have changed address? HMRC require that records are kept up to date.

Pope's Prayer Intention for July: For a Eucharistic life – We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

Mission Unleashed: an event with Cardinal Tagle - The Church has a mission but what is it? And how should we do it? Cardinal Tagle of the Philippines has responsibilities for evangelisation and mission in the Vatican and is an inspirational speaker. Join CAFOD online for Mission Unleashed: Embracing the Social Dimension of Evangelisation – 14th July 7:00-8:30pm. To register and/or be sent the recording afterwards go to: www.bigmarker.com/cafod/evangelisation. Please share with others.

Contactless Donations — You will find our new DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal in the porch. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/device to donate. Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card/device onto the reader. You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p to every £1 received. Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

Hire of Church Hall – our hall is available to hire for Baptism receptions, meetings, choir practice etc. Please email for the attention of Sam, hire of hall to ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk.

Intercessory Prayers - If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email <u>GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com</u> or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

Refreshments are available in the Church Hall after the 11am Mass. All are welcome, so please call in for tea, coffee, biscuits and cake!

Parish cleaners – If you would like to help clean the Church, please let Br. Martin know. Thank you to those who keep our church and sacristy clean and tidy. This week is the turn of the Travelling Community.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £454.41 Gift Aid: £64

Second Collection – Peter's Pence: Gift Aid: £6

St Anthony's Bread: £4.41

Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish, also to those of you who also contribute on-line.

Next weekend – please note there will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea.

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick, especially Therese O'Malley, Linda Parrott, Aline Beaupiere, Margaret Corcoran, Oonagh Clarkson, Albert Paintin, Bernadette O'Reilly, Gillian Mellor, Br. Michael Hargan

<u>and Ewan Williams.</u> If you are aware of somebody in our community who is sick and in need of our prayers, please ask them to contact the parish or let us have their contact details.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 2 nd July 2023 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)		
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6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Davy, Martina and family Int.	
9.00 a.m.	Thanksgiving	
11.00 a.m.	Leonard Szymanski R.I.P.	
5.30 p.m.	Parishioners	
Monday 3 rd		St. Thomas, Apostle
7.30 a.m.	Ladislav Nagy R.I.P.	
Tuesday 4 th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Friars and Benefactors	
	2) Chapman Family Int.	
Wednesday 5 th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Liana Int.	
	2) Angelique Moona R.I.P.	
Thursday 6 th		St. Maria Goretti
7.30 a.m.	1) Kieron Hughes Int.	
	2) Anne Marie Ward Int.	
Friday 7 th		1 st Friday
7.30 a.m.	St Anthony's Guild	
7pm	In Honour of the Sacred Heart	
Saturday 8 th		
8 a.m.	1) Brs. Thomas & Bede OP	
	Ordination	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Parishioners	

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment.