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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)
9th July 2023

1st Reading – Zechariah 9:9-10

Psalm – I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

2nd Reading – Romans 8:9, 11-13

Gospel – Matthew 11:25-30

Today there is a Second Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea. Please note that the Lectio Divina Group meeting is cancelled for this week. There will be no morning confessions on Saturday 15th July.

Visiting Statue of Our Lady (Legion of Mary) – This weekend we will bless the statue of Our Lady at the end of each Mass. The intention is for our parishioners to be blessed by Our Lady's presence and to have her stay in your home for a week at a time. It is a perfect way of renewing our life of prayer and faith in Our Lady's intercession. If you would like to receive the statue into your home, please contact our Legion of Mary representative David Bibby on 07552239019 to make the arrangements. The Legion is responsible for delivering the statue to your home, to pray with you, and to collect the statue from you after a week or so.

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.

Confirmation Mass Saturday 15th July 12noon – On this special occasion for our children we welcome Canon Paul Fitzpatrick, our Episcopal Vicar, who will celebrate Mass and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. I invite our parishioners to attend the Mass and support the children and their families by your presence and prayers. There will be plenty of room in the church for everyone!

Survive-Miva Appeal 15th/16th July - 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. 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.

Pact (Prison Advice and Care Trust) is holding a roadshow on Saturday 15 July between 10am and 1.30pm in the Grimshaw Room on the St Chad's Cathedral site, Birmingham. As Catholics, why do we support prisoners and their families? A woman we helped recently, said, '*Pact is like a little light, it gives you hope.*' Certainly, we are responding to Jesus' words, '*I was in prison and you came to me*' – but something deeper is happening too. At the roadshow we will reflect on Catholic Social Teaching in the light of imprisonment. We will hear from people with lived experience of the criminal justice system. Prison chaplains and Pact services staff will speak about their work and the people we serve. The Welcome Directory is a small charity which supports faith communities to become places of welcome and acceptance for those leaving prison. Find out about how your parish might become such a place. Pact warmly invites you to join us in person at the Roadshow. You can register via this link:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/pact-to-host-justpeople-roadshow-in-birmingham-saturday-15-july>

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 – Apologies but we have issues with the internet connection and the machine will be out of action until further notice.

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 GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com 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.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £367.17

Gift Aid: £169

Second Collection – Peter’s Pence: £164.08

St Anthony’s Bread: £26.40

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

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, Ewan Williams, Anne Wilkinson. 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 9th July 2023 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Parishioners	
9.00 a.m.	Holy Souls	
11.00 a.m.	Giuseppe Diliberto R.I.P.	
5.30 p.m.	Silvestre Soares R.I.P.	
Monday 10th		<i>St. Veronica Giuliani</i>
7.30 a.m.	Friars & Benefactors	
Tuesday 11th	<i>(Day of Prayer for Europe)</i>	<i>St. Benedict</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Raymond Int. 2) Kieran Hughes 3) Terry McDonagh R.I.P.	
Wednesday 12th		<i>St. John Jones & St. John Wall</i>
7.30 a.m.	Br. Antonio's Int.	
Thursday 13th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Christy & AnneMarie Int. 2) C.M.A.	
Friday 14th		<i>St. Francis Solano</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) For safe delivery 2) Michael Ward Int.	
Saturday 15th		<i>St. Bonaventure</i>
8 a.m.	Br. Lucjan's Int.	
12noon	For Confirmation Candidates	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Parishioners	

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