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Twenty Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C – 11th September 2022

1st Reading – Exodus 32:7-11

Psalm – I will leave this place and go to my Father.

2nd Reading – Timothy 1:12-17

Gospel – Luke 15:1-32

Second collection this weekend is for the Catholic Education Service. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions – A reminder that if you would like a mass said for someone, maybe a deceased relative, someone who is poorly or someone who has a birthday celebration or for Holy Souls, please fill in a mass intentions envelope which you will find at the back of the church, if there aren't any, then please ask in the sacristy after mass. Offerings go to supporting the Friars and are gratefully received.

Advance notice – the carpark off Jackdaw Lane maybe closed next weekend due to works being carried out in the Friary garden. Please see website for update.

Training for altar servers – For all those who already serve as well as those who wish to serve, there will be training on Saturday 1st October at 12noon. Children should come along to the church with their parents.

Bible Study group - The next meeting of the Bible study group will take place on Thursday 15 September from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. in the Friary library. We will be looking at Luke 17:20-18:34, and you can find a preparation sheet on the parish website, <https://www.greyfriarsoxford.uk/biblestudygroup>. Please bring a Bible with you if possible.

Christian meditation resumes this September: *Reflecting on Sacred Scripture* using both *Apophatic* and *Imaginative* methods. To be held in Greyfriars Friary, Wednesdays at 7pm. To book your place or check availability, please email iffleycross@gmail.com.

Right of Christian Initiation for adults (RCIA) – this course is aimed for any catholic adults who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation or for any adult who wishes become a member of the Catholic church. The course will begin mid October and you have until Sunday 2nd October to sign up. Fill in the form on our website on the Sacraments page, alternatively fill in the form found in the porch and hand in to one of the brothers.

First Five Saturdays of Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary – The Devotions will be held after the 8am mass. The First Devotion will be on Saturday 1st October. More details and a booklet will be provided nearer the time.

Preparing for Family Fast Day - This year's 'Harvest' Family Fast Day falls on Friday 7 October. CAFOD will use all the money raised to support families affected by the world food crisis, especially in East Africa (<https://cafod.org.uk/Fundraise/Family-Fast-Day>)

Our parish's Family Fast Day collection will take place at Masses over the weekend of 8-9 October. Envelopes will be available at all Masses that weekend and the weekend before. This is a difficult time for many people, but please be as generous as you can and keep the work of CAFOD in your prayers.

Please plan to eat frugally and thoughtfully on the day itself, Friday 7 October, perhaps joining with friends and neighbours. You can find some ideas for frugal meals on the parish website, <https://www.greyfriarsoxford.uk/s/FFD-recipes.pdf>. If you would like to share your own ideas for meals (costing about 50p per person), please send them to the Parish Council email: pct.ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk

There will be a Harvest Sale in support of CAFOD after the 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. Masses on Sunday 9 October, focusing particularly on home-produced and home-made goods such as garden produce, plants, cakes, bread, jams and pickles. Offers of help are very welcome - please email: pct.ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk.

CAFOD: Pakistan Floods Appeal - please don't forget the flood-stricken people of Pakistan. CAFOD is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee, and you can donate via their website, <https://cafod.org.uk/?form=decpakistanfloodsappeal>.

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday 20th September. If you have any questions, suggestions or would like to volunteer within the Parish please contact them via email: pct.ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk.

Coffee mornings – A chance to catch up with your fellow parishioners is there every Sunday morning after our 9.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m. Masses. Everyone is welcome.

Rosary Prayer Group – We continue to say the rosary together in the parish on Fridays at 7.00 p.m. Come and pray.

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.

Parish cleaners - Thank you to those who work tirelessly in keeping our church and sacristy clean and sparkling. This week is the turn of John and Sam. Thank you.

Parish Hall – If you would like to make a specific donation towards the renovation of the parish hall, please specify that you wish that donation to go for that purpose. You can write a cheque made out to Capuchin Oxford Parish, or donate via bank transfer to the Capuchin Oxford Parish Account (Acc. No. 50154109 Sort Code 60-70-03). Thank you for your support and generosity.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £446.36

Gift Aid: £60.00

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

Second Collection: there will be a second collection next Sunday 18th September for the Catholic Evangelisation.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 11th September 2022 Twenty fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Parishioners
9.00 a.m.	Friars and Benefactors
11.00 a.m.	Sally O'Connell R.I.P.
5.30 p.m.	Aquelina Dos Santos & Francisco Xaxier Soares R.I.P.

Monday 12th

***Memorial of the most Holy name
of Mary***

7.30 a.m.	Bro. Ambrose May R.I.P. 1 st Anniversary of death
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Tuesday 13th

St John Chrysostom

7.30 a.m.	Thanksgiving
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Wednesday 14th

***Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy
Cross***

7.30 a.m.	Michael Christopher Conner R.I.P.
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Thursday 15th

Our Lady of Sorrows

	Mary Gaffey R.I.P.
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Friday 16th

St Cornelius and St Cyprian

7.30 a.m.	Healing for the Conner family
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Saturday 17th

***The Stigmata of our Holy Father
Francis***

8.00 a.m.	Bro. Adrian Marsh R.I.P.
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6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Mary Gaffey R.I.P.
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Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment.

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**. 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.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Gabriel Fernandes and Nicholas Gendle and keep their families also in your prayers.

Funeral arrangements for Nicholas Gendle – the funeral service will take place at Wolvercote Cemetery at 1pm on 7th October 2022.