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Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C – 18th September 2022

1st Reading – Amos 8:4-7

Psalm – Praise the Lord who raises the poor.

2nd Reading – 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Gospel – Luke 16:1-13

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

Confessions: Please note there will be no confessions next Saturday 24th September.

Br. Pradeep Lakra will be ordained a Deacon on the 25th September in India. We ask for your prayers for him on this special occasion and look forward to his return soon afterwards to continue his studies at Blackfriars.

Br. Mariusz Zacharkiewicz will be leaving our fraternity and moving to Erith before the 10th October. **Br. Gordon Pesterfield** will be joining our fraternity from Erith in due course.

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.

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.

Taizé will commence on Thursday 29 September in the Friary Chapel at 7.30 pm, for 1 hour. Taizé is a monastic community located in Taizé, France, founded in the 1940s. A Taizé worship service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, liturgical readings, and icons. Refreshments are provided afterwards and is an opportunity to build ecumenical friendship.

Rite 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 to become a member of the Catholic church. The course will begin mid October and you have until Sunday 2nd October to sign up. Please 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.

New Young Adult Group for 18-35s that's run by the Carmelite OCD friars. Our current theme is Spiritual Warfare. Sessions start with Bring & Share (Dinner) at 18:30 at Holy Rood Church on Abingdon Road. The talk begins at 19:30 and the evening ends at 21:00 after guided prayer. Our next session is on the 30th September. Contact Kate on 07933765367 for more information. All are welcome.

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.

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 and hand into a friar or leave in the Sacristy. If there aren't envelopes in the porch, please ask in the Sacristy after mass. Offerings go to supporting the Friars and are gratefully received.

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 Angelika and Olivia. Thank you.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £515.75

Gift Aid: £99.00

Catholic Education Service: £165.77

Gift Aid: £9.00

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

Please note there will be a second collection for Fr. Hudson's Society next weekend, 25th September.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 18th September 2022 Twenty fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6.30 p.m. (Sat) Mary Gaffey R.I.P.
9.00 a.m. Maria Pareira's Ints
11.00 a.m. Holy Souls
5.30 p.m. Parishioners

Monday 19th

St Francis Mary of

7.30 a.m. Friars and Benefactors

Camporosso

Tuesday 20th

Memorial Andrew Kim

7.30 a.m. Bro. Prins Cassander's Ints

Taegon, Paul Chong

Hasang & companions

Feast of St Matthew

Wednesday 21st

7.30 a.m. Patrick O'Connell R.I.P.

Thursday 22nd

St Ignatius of Santhia

7.30 a.m. Holy Souls

Friday 23rd

St Pio of Pietrelcina

7.30 a.m. Edward James Martin R.I.P.

Saturday 24th

Our Lady of Walsingham

8.00 a.m. Tia Keown's Ints

6.30 p.m. (Vigil) Kieron Hughes R.I.P.

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment. Please note no Confessions next Saturday 24th September.

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, Nicholas Gendle and Leonardo Horienco Filipe D'Souza 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.