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# Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Wisdom 11:22-12:2
Psalm – I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
Gospel – Luke 19:1-10

**Dead Lists** – lists are available from the back of the church. Please take one and fill in with names of your deceased family and friends you wish the friars to pray for during the month November. A mass will be offered daily throughout the month for the deceased on the dead lists. The chapel dedicated to Our Lady at the back of the church will be a place where you can leave pictures/memorial cards of your departed loved ones.

Brother Stephen Innes R.I.P. Br. Stephen's body will be received into our church on <u>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November</u> at 4pm. There will be a Requiem Mass for him on <u>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</u> at 11am. His body will then be taken to Pantasaph, North Wales. There will be a Mass for him in Pantasaph on <u>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</u> at 11am, followed by burial. Eternal rest grant to him, O'Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

**Connie Marshall R.I.P.** – Connie has peacefully passed away at the Isis Care Home. Her funeral will be held in our church on <u>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November</u> at 12 noon. Eternal rest grant to her, O'Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. We pray for her family at this time.

First Saturday Devotions to Our Lady will be held at 8.30am on <u>Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November</u>, straight after the morning Mass. Please join us for Rosary, Readings and Reflections in the church. Flyers available at the back of the church.

**Invitation to Catholic Men of Faith:** On <u>Saturday November 5<sup>th</sup></u> at 12pm you are invited to join with other men for a public act of witness to our faith by praying the Rosary @ Bonn Square in Oxford. This event is organised in conjunction with Radio Maria and will be also in Cambridge on the same day. See poster/website for further details or email mosj@olise.co.uk.

**Christian meditation** continues this October: *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.

**Oxford Gatehouse** - We have been chosen as a finalist for the Gannett Foundation which is very exciting so we now need some more of your help! Tokens will be printed in the Oxford Mail from 24th Oct to 20th Nov which we need to collect and the more we collect, the more share of the money we will get! Those tokens need to be dropped off at collecting points which should include supermarkets etc. and one of the collection points is the Gatehouse. They will shortly be dropping off collection boxes for us to put the tokens in. Please, please all help us to win a share of the money by purchasing the paper

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and dropping the tokens in too us!

**First Holy Communion** – there will be a meeting with parents on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 9am in the parish hall. The course itself will begin mid January. The course is for children who attend year 3 to 6 of primary school. Please fill in the form which you can find on the website or speak to Br. Martin.

**Confirmation** – the course will begin in January. It is for children who attend year 6 primary school onwards. Please fill in the form which you can find on the website or speak to Br. Martin.

**Diocesan Advert** - We are looking to recruit a Secretary/PA to the Vicar General. The appointee will support the operations of the Birmingham Diocesan Trust (The Archdiocese of Birmingham) by acting as the Secretary/PA to the Vicar General. You will need excellent communications skills, the ability to work on your own initiative, experience of working with senior post-holders/officers and be proficient with Microsoft Office. For an informal discussion about this role and

further information, please call the Human Resources Officer on 0121 230 6224. Further information will also be on the website.

## **Intercessory Prayer Group**

If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email <a href="mailto:GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com">GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com</a> 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 Michael and Isobel. Thank you.

#### **Parish Donations**

Collection Last Week: £381.73 Gift Aid: £50

Second Collection Mission Sunday: £194.73

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

**Please pray** for the repose of the souls of Br. Stephen Innes and Connie Marshall and keep their families also in your prayers.

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. 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.

## **Prayer for the Diocesan Vision**

Spirit of God, descend on me this day.

Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace,

so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others.

Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me. Strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen.

## **Mass Times and Intentions**

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

6.30 p.m. (Sat) Denis O'Driscoll R.I.P.

9.00 a.m. Parishioners

11.00 a.m. Winnie Joyce R.I.P.

5.30 p.m. James Pender

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> St Angelus of Acri

7.30 a.m. Jimmy Pender

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov All Saints

7.30 a.m. Holy Souls Novena

4 p.m. Reception of the body of Br.

Stephen Innes R.I.P.

7 p.m. Parishioners

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> All Souls

7.30 a.m. Ladislav Nagy R.I.P.

11 a.m. Requiem Mass for Br. Stephen

Innes R.I.P.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> St Martin de Porres

7.30 a.m. Holy Souls

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> St Charles Borromeo

7.30 a.m. Holy Souls

3.30 p.m. For the Sick *First Friday Devotions* 

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>

8.00 a.m. Celestino Amaral and Fernao

Verdial R.I.P.

6.30 p.m. (Vigil) Andrew, Francis, Santan

(Marques) R.I.P.

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