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### **Third Sunday of Easter 14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14,22-33  
Responsorial Psalm: Show us, Lord, the path of life.  
Second Reading: St. Peter 1:17-21  
Gospel – Luke 24:13-35

We all pray but not many of us may know what is a Franciscan way of praying. What is so unique about St. Francis of Assisi and his experience of God? Can I learn from it, and can it change the way I look at God and the world around me? As we journey through this Eastertide we have a perfect opportunity to deepen our union with God, and that can only come about through prayer. If you're curious about some of the answers to the questions above then you're warmly invited to the next talk in our Deanery Series of talks on prayer which will be held this Tuesday evening at 7pm in our church.

**Second collection** next weekend will be for the Clergy Training Fund, which pays for the formation of future priests and deacons for our Archdiocese. Thank you for your generosity.

**Confessions** - Please note that there will be *no* morning confessions, next Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

**Cake Sale** – Thank you to those who donated cake and to those who brought cakes. We raised £201.33. Many thanks, Helen and Claudia.

**Lectio Divina Prayer Group** – continues on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 5.30pm at Greyfriars Library. Gospel reading John 10:1-10. Br Martin Sanderson will continue to lead future sessions as and when his ministry permits. In Br Martin's absence, Helen and Yvette will administer to the Group. For more information, email: [iffleycross@gmail.com](mailto:iffleycross@gmail.com).

**Funeral for Susana Lee R.I.P.** - will be held on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 11am, followed by her burial at Botley Cemetery. We pray for the repose of the soul of Susana Lee and for her family at this time.

**The Secular Franciscan Order** – Their next meeting will take place on Saturday afternoon 20<sup>th</sup> April, gathering at 2 p.m. for devotions followed by reflections on living the Gospel life. All welcome – enquire with any of the friars or at the friary.

**Funeral for Mary Sugden R.I.P.** – will be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 11am, here at Greyfriars. We pray for the repose of the soul of Mary who died over the Easter weekend. She has been a long-standing member of this parish and until very recently still helped us with counting our collection money every week. May she rest in peace and experience the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

#### **Oxford North Deanery Year of Prayer 2024 - monthly Deanery talks:**

All sessions (except May and June) from 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the various Parishes/locations indicated:

Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> Br. Martin Mikuskiewicz OFM (Cap) (Greyfriars, Iffley Road);

Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup> Fr. John Saward (3.00pm SS. Gregory and Augustine, Woodstock Road).

Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> Fr. Paul Whieldon (4.30pm St. Joseph's, Carterton)

Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup> Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP (Blackfriars)

Tuesday September 24<sup>th</sup> Fr. Damian Howard SJ (Corpus Christi, Headington – live-streaming available)

Wednesday October 23<sup>rd</sup> Fr. Joe Evans (Opus Dei – Holy Rood, Abingdon Road)

**Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage** - An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Please visit [www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass](http://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass).

**Date for Diary:** Our Parish Social will be on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, where we will bring and share dishes and bid a fond farewell to Br. Martin. Further details nearer the time.

**Refreshments** after 11am Mass are held in the hall every week and after 9am Mass on the first Sunday of each month – next one will be Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Parish Donations**

First Collection: £499.77

Gift Aid: £304.00

St. Anthony's Bread: £60.01

Candles: £55.92

Cake sale: £201.33

**Contactless Donations** – A reminder that you can use our card reader at the back of the church. If you have problems using it, please let the friars know. 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.

**Intercessory Prayers** - If you would like us to pray for somebody or for anything else, please email [GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com](mailto:GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com) or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

**Please pray** for those members of our community who are sick, especially Therese O'Malley, Aline Beaupiere, Margaret Corcoran, Oonagh Clarkson, Albert Paintin, Gillian Mellor, Br. Michael Hargan, Ewan Williams, Anne Wilkinson, John Roche and 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.

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Anne Harpin. She can be contacted at: [sg.ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ofmca.oxford@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.*

## The Mass Times

Third Sunday of Easter, 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 (Year B)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Susana Lee R.I.P.	
9.00 a.m.	Br. Lucjan Int.	
11.00 a.m.	Hilda R.I.P.	
5.30 p.m.	Parishioners	
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) The Scully family 2) C.M.A.	
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Helen, Johnboy Collins and family 2) Darlene Letey	
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Kit Duffy and family 2) Kieron Hughes	
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Sylvia Duffy 2) Friars and Benefactors	
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Christy Joyce Senior R.I.P. 2) Fr. John Johnson R.I.P.	
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b>		
8.00 a.m.	Kieron Hughes	
6.30 p.m.	Parisioners	

**Sacrament of Penance (Confession):** Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment. No morning confession on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April.