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Third Sunday of Lent – 12th March 2023

1st Reading – Exodus 17:3-7

Psalm – O that today you would listen to his voice: 'Harden not your hearts'.

2nd Reading – St Paul to the Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel – John 4:5-42

Nora Reilly R.I.P. – We pray for the repose of the soul of Nora, and we keep in prayer her family at this time. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Parish Pilgrimage to Italy – We're planning a pilgrimage for a group of 20 to visit Pompeii, Monte Casino, Pietrelcina (birth place of St Padre Pio) and San Giovanni Rotondo where St. Pio spend most of his life and where his tomb is. Planned pilgrimage is from 11th to the 17th October 2023 and the rough cost would be around £1000 per person. If you are interested please contact Br. Martin as soon as possible. We still have room for a few people.

Stations of the Cross – This coming Friday we will meditate on the Stations of the Cross at 7pm in the church.

Belong & Believe Café course – Lent 2023 - Do come along for informal and engaging café style weekly discussions exploring how our Celtic past can help us live the Christian life more fully today. Next session will be Thursday 16th March, 7.15pm, in Corpus Christi parish hall, Margaret Rd, Headington, OX3 8AJ. No need to book. Further details from John Kirwan. E: johnkirwan1a@gmail.com

Online School of the Word, Next meeting Tuesday 14th March from 7-8.30pm (meeting ID: 89815074699. Passcode: 868129). Time of prayer with the Word of God, using the Lectio Divina method. For more information please contact Claudia Azevedo. Email: claudia4azevedo@gmail.com.

Night Prayer via Zoom - Tuesdays in Lent 9.30pm - Do join us for Compline (the Night Prayer of the Church). An opportunity to share 20 minutes in prayer at the end of the day. All welcome, join via:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74943486160?pwd=bEbJnesAMU0jhVMATU55rGQ1WvqsC7.1>.

Monthly Morning Retreat “I put my hope in your Word” (Psl. 119, 114), every 3rd Saturday of the month, from 9.15-11am, at St Edmund and St Frideswide Church. Next retreat, Saturday 18th March. The monthly morning retreat intends to be an opportunity for more time spent in prayer and contemplation to deepen one’s relationship with God. This shall be a quiet time of prayer with the word of God where one may take the opportunity to more clearly hear God’s call. For more information please contact Claudia Azevedo. Email: claudia4azevedo@gmail.com.

The Fathers of the Oratory are seeking a cook for Oratory House, preparing evening meals six days a week and Sunday lunch for up to 12 people (27hrs per week). If you would like more information please email: minister@oxfordoratory.org.uk.

Estates Manager position working for Father Hudson’s Care across multiple sites in Coleshill. The role is full time (37 hours) with a salary of £35086-40152 and an on call allowance of £110 per week (usually on call 2 out of every 4 weeks). If you would like to discuss the Estate Manager position please call our CEO Andy Quinn on 07966 935533 (direct applicants only, no agencies), or see vacancy details and download an application form here <https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/vacancies/facilities-manager/337.htm>.

Save the date! Saturday 24th June 2023 will be a Greyfriars Parish Family Event from 1pm until 4pm. There will be a bring and share lunch. (Look out for lists to sign up for what you will bring nearer the date.)

How can you participate and share your gifts with the parish community?

- Would you be able to organise face painting for the children?
- Would you be able to organise an activity - craft activity, indoor game, outdoor game, quiz?
- Would you be able to organise music, either playing or setting up a playlist to be played at the event?
- Anything else?

If you are willing to support any of the above or have suggestions of your own please contact Claudia Azevedo or Helen Hurrell after 9am mass or via the parish office email. Please put ' Parish Family Event' in the subject line.

Refreshments in the hall – Please note refreshments are served after 11am Mass only. Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits. Come along and get to know your fellow parishioners.

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 – 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. This week is the turn of the travelling community.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £712.07

Gift Aid: £61

Second collection – Cafod £460.96

Gift Aid: £4

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.

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 12th March 2023 Third Sunday of Lent (Year A)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Patrick & Josephine McDonagh Int.	
9.00 a.m.	Br. Dinesh Mathias R.I.P.	
11.00 a.m.	Parishioners	
5.30 p.m.	Ricardo Family members R.I.P.	
Monday 13th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Patrick Downes R.I.P. 2) Vocations	
Tuesday 14th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Anthony Maughan 2) Kieron Hughes	
Wednesday 15th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Br. Lucjan's Int. 2) Darlene, George & family Int.	
Thursday 16th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Holy Souls 2) Kieron Hughes	
Friday 17th		<i>Feast of St. Patrick</i>
7.30 a.m.	1) Friars & Benefactors 2) Carlos Godinho & Maria Fatima Soares R.I.P.	
Saturday 18th		
8.00 a.m.	Paul Bede Johnson R.I.P.	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Das Dores family members R.I.P.	

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): Saturdays 11am-12noon, 5.30pm-6.15pm and by appointment. **No morning Confession Saturday 11th March.**