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The Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)  
28<sup>th</sup> January 2024

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel – Mark 1:21-28

**Friary news** – Br. Martin Mikuskiewicz and Br. Martin Sanderson will be away until the 6<sup>th</sup> February. They are attending Br. Pradeep's ordination to the priesthood which will take place on the 28<sup>th</sup> January in India. On the same day Br. Anthony Kurian will be ordained as a deacon in Ireland. Please keep them in your prayers on these special occasions. In our absence Br. Gordon will be looking after the parish.

**Plenary Indulgence in Franciscan Churches:** From the 8th December till 2nd February, the faithful who visit a Franciscan church in order to stop and pray in front of the nativity scene can receive a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions (be in a state of grace, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, receive the Lord in the Eucharist). This gift and privilege granted to all our Franciscan churches throughout the world by our Holy Father is to mark the occasion of the 800th anniversary of Christmas in Greccio, where St. Francis of Assisi wanted to commemorate the birth of the Lord starting with a nativity scene leading to the Eucharistic celebration, where Jesus Christ makes himself present in the bread and wine.

## **Cake Sale - Sunday 4th February**

There will be a cake sale together with refreshments after the 9am and 11am masses on Sunday 4th February. All donations of homemade or shop bought cakes gratefully received. All monies to go towards refurbishment of the church hall. Many thanks Helen, Claudia and Lourdes.

**A Day with Mary** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February at Our Lady of Peace & Blessed Dominic Barberi, Earley, Reading. 10am until 4.15pm. Please join us for a day of instruction, devotion and intercession based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. See poster in porch for further details.

**Oxford North Deanery Year of Prayer 2024 - monthly Deanery talks:** All sessions (except May) from 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the various Parishes/locations indicated:  
Monday February 5th Fr. Harry Curtis (Our Lady Help of Christians, Cowley);  
March tbc Fr. Nicholas Edmonds Smith C.O. (The Oratory);  
Tuesday April 16th Br. Martin Mikuskiewicz OFM (Cap) (Greyfriars, Iffley Road);  
Sunday May 12th Fr. John Saward (3.00pm SS. Gregory and Augustine, Woodstock Road);  
June tbc Fr. Paul Whieldon (St. Joseph's, Carterton);  
Tuesday July 9th Fr. Nicholas OP (Blackfriars);  
Tuesday September 24th 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)

## **Parish Donations**

Collection Last Week: £382.01    Gift Aid: £69.50

Crib: £54.78

St. Anthony's Bread: £24    Candles: £29.37

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

**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. 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.

*The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish*

Safeguarding Representatives are Geraldine Coggins, Michael Curran, Anne Harpin. They 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

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Parishioners	
9.00 a.m.	Br. Pradeep's Int.	
11.00 a.m.	Trish Wilson R.I.P.	
5.30p.m.	Mrs Frenzinha D'Cunha R.I.P.	
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	Vocations	
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	Sura Pereira R.I.P.	<i>St. Hyacinth Marescotti</i>
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	Kieron Hughes	<i>St. John Bosco</i>
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb</b>		
7.30 a.m.	Anne, Jimmy and family	
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Thomas Gerardsmith R.I.P. 2) Friars and Benefactors	<i>Presentation of the Lord</i>
7.00 p.m.	In Honour of the Sacred Heart	
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>		
8.00 a.m.	Winnie Joyce R.I.P.	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Sheila Cumming	

## The Mass Times

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Sheila Cumming	
9.00 a.m.	Parishioners	
11.00 a.m.	Tia Keown	
5.30p.m.	Sharon, Michael and Cawley family	
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><i>St. Agatha</i></b>
7.30 a.m.	Kieron Hughes	
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><i>Sts. Peter Baptist, Paul Miki and Comps.</i></b>
7.30 a.m.	Anne, Jimmy and family	
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><i>St. Colette of Corbie</i></b>
7.30 a.m.	Friars and Benefactors	
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Darlene Letey 2) St. Anthony's Guild	
<b>Friday 9<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	Br. Lucjan's Int.	
<b>Saturday 10<sup>th</sup></b>		<b><i>St. Scholastica</i></b>
8.00 a.m.	Ines Imaculada Soares R.I.P.	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Thanksgiving for our Salvation, the Divine Mercy Jesus Christ	

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