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### **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Ecclesiasticus 15:16-20

Psalm – They are happy who follow God's law!

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Gospel – Matthew 5:17-37

**Parish Open Meeting** was held last Saturday to give parishioners the opportunity to find out more about what has been going on in the parish recently, which was followed by a delicious bring and share lunch. Topics included the hall renovation, number of parishioners attending the Masses, the variety of parish groups which are run as well as the need for a **Social Committee** – a group of volunteers is needed to plan, organise, advertise and run events throughout the year, so if you are interested and can spare a few hours every now and then, please speak with Brother Martin. More hands on deck means lighter the load for those who have to prepare.

**Online School of the Word**, – next meeting is Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Time of prayer with the Word of God, using the Lectio Divina method. Please use the following link: **meeting ID: 89815074699. Passcode: 868129**. For more information please contact Claudia Azevedo: [claudia4azevedo@gmail.com](mailto:claudia4azevedo@gmail.com)

**Thomas Maughan R.I.P.** – The reception of the body will take place this Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 4.30pm, and the funeral Mass will be on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 11am, followed by burial at Botley cemetery. May his soul rest in peace. Amen. We pray for his family during this time.

**Santiago Augusto R.I.P.** – We continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Santiago Augusto who died recently and for his family at this time.

**The Secular Franciscan Order** will be meeting on Saturday afternoon 18th February, gathering at 2 p.m. for Devotions followed by reflections on 'Justice: Bringing the Gospel to the World'. All welcome - enquire with any of the friars or at the Friary.

**40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration** – On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 9:00am – 9:00pm, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 7:00am – 9:00pm, there is a time of prayer for the repose of the soul of Pope Benedict XVI and all Holy Souls at St. John Henry Newman's Chapel in Littlemore. For times of daily prayer in common check the poster at the back of the church.

**Monthly Morning Retreat** "I put my hope in your Word" (Psl. 119, 114), every 3rd Saturday of the month, from 8.30am, at St Edmund and St Frideswide Church. Next meeting will be on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February. 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, [claudia4azevedo@gmail.com](mailto:claudia4azevedo@gmail.com)

**School Half-Term** – Just a note to wish all the children an enjoyable break from school, and a safe journey for anyone who may be travelling during this time. Prayers also for all the teachers and staff at our schools who do need a well-deserved break too.

**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](mailto:GreyfriarsIntercessoryPrayer@gmail.com) or phone 07384 116920. All requests will be treated in strictest confidence.

**Parish cleaners** - 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: £419.03

Gift Aid: £341.00

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 and Gillian Mellor. 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.

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

### **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**

<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)</b>		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Jerry McDonagh Int.	
9.00 a.m.	Leonard D'Souza	
11.00 a.m.	Kate's Int.	
5.30 p.m.	Parishioners	
<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Heidi & Johnny Joyce & family 2) Friars & Benefactors	
<b>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup></b>		
		<b><i>Sts. Cyril and Methodius</i></b>
7.30 a.m.	1) Annie & Jerry McDonagh Int. 2) Pious Union of the Holy Spirit	
<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Br. Lucjan's Int. 2) Kieran Hughes	
4.30 p.m.	Thomas Maughan R.I.P.	<b><i>Reception of the body</i></b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	John Joe Gaggley & family	
11.00 a.m.	Thomas Maughan R.I.P.	<b><i>Funeral Mass</i></b>
<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup></b>		
7.30 a.m.	1) Wendy's Int. 2) Danny Murphy R.I.P.	
<b>Saturday 18<sup>th</sup></b>		
8.00 a.m.	1) Andrew Hyland R.I.P. 2) Mary Mangal & family	
6.30 p.m. (Vigil)	Johnny & Mary O'Leary R.I.P.	