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Divine Mercy Sunday **7th April 2024**

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47
Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
Second Reading: Peter 1:3-9
Gospel – John 20:19-31

Divine Mercy Sunday – We will have our Divine Mercy devotions this Sunday 7th April, beginning at 2.30pm. Please note we will not be having another Mass during that time, but we will spend time with the Lord celebrating the gift of His mercy until 4.30pm when we will finish with Benediction.

Cake Sale – Sunday 7th April, after 9am and 11am Masses. All donations of homemade or shop bought cakes gratefully received. All monies to go towards refurbishment of the church hall. Many thanks, Helen and Claudia.

Lectio Divina Prayer Group – continues on Monday 8th April at 5.30pm at Greyfriars Library. Gospel reading Luke 24:35-48. 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.

Friary Update – Every 3 years friars gather for a Chapter during which a new leadership team is elected and soon afterwards friars often get moved to new ministries and friaries. Our Chapter is coming up in June, and we ask that you join

us in prayer for that special occasion asking the Holy Spirit to guide us. The one position that will definitely be changing is that of your parish priest. I have been asked to help the Institute of St. Anselm in their mission of human psycho-spiritual development of priests and religious. Our General Minister has granted his permission and assigned me to our Capuchin friary in Frascati, Italy for the next 3 years. I will be saying my goodbyes to you all by mid-July and I thank you for your prayerful support during this time of transition.

Br. Prins Casinader OFM Cap – On the 10th April will celebrate his 25th Anniversary of the priesthood. There will be a Mass celebrated at 12 noon in Our Lady of the Angels church in Erith followed by refreshments in the parish hall. You're very welcome to join us, but if you cannot travel please keep Br. Prins in your prayers on Wednesday.

Funeral for Susana Lee R.I.P. will be held on Wednesday 17th 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.

Mary Sugden R.I.P. – 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 16th Br. Martin Mikuskiewicz OFM (Cap) (Greyfriars, Iffley Road);

Sunday May 12th Fr. John Seward (3.00pm SS. Gregory and Augustine, Woodstock Road).

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

Tuesday July 9th Fr. Nicholas Crowe OP (Blackfriars)

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

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

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

Parish Donations

Thank you for your generosity to the Friars over Easter and for the collection on Good Friday for the Holy Places.

Holy Places: £ 423.47 Gift Aid: £17

Also, to those of you who contribute online and via the contactless payment machine.

Gift Aid Donations: Before exploring which option suits you best, if you are a tax payer, please consider becoming a member of our GIFT AID scheme. You will not incur any extra costs for this, but it will increase your contribution to the parish by 25%. Gift Aid forms are available on our website, under Donations, or are available in the Church porch. Alternatively, if you would like to make a donation to our parish, please use the following options: 1) You can make an online payment to our parish account: Capuchin Oxford Parish Account (it may show Capuchin Central), Account Number: 50154109, Sort Code: 60-70-03 2) If you are a member of our GIFT AID scheme, please make your payment to the following account: Greyfriars Covenant Account (may show Capuchin Central), Account Number: 66611849, Sort Code: 60-16-06 3) If you wish to write a cheque, please make it payable to Capuchin Oxford Parish. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the parish

Intercessory Prayers - 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.

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

The Mass Times

Divine Mercy Sunday 7 th April 2024 (Year B)		
6.30 p.m. (Sat)	Graciano Alves R.I.P.	
9.00 a.m.	Monica Simmons R.I.P.	
11.00 a.m.	Parishioners	
2.30 p.m.	<i>Divine Mercy Devotions</i>	
5.30 p.m.	Mateus da Silva & family R.I.P.	
Monday 8th		
7.30 a.m.	Tamzin Keown Int.	<i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>
Tuesday 9th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Angela Keown Int. 2) Darlene Letey	
Wednesday 10th		
7.30 a.m.	1) Barry Macey-Dare R.I.P. 2) Friars and Benefactors	
Thursday 11th		
7.30 a.m.	Bernadette, Pharlent & family	<i>St. Stanislaus</i>
Friday 12th		
7.30 a.m.	1) St Anthony's Guild 2) Holy spirit intercessions for the success of the Capuchin delegation chapter	
Saturday 13th		
8.00 a.m.	Kieron Hughes	
6.30 p.m.	Susana Lee R.I.P.	

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