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Happy Easter 2022

The Lord is Risen! Alleluia!

On behalf of all the friars I would like to wish you and your families and loved ones a blessed time this Easter. May the Lord keep you safe if you are travelling and bring you to your destinations. A warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish community this weekend.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us prepare for the services during this sacred time: members of the choirs, cleaners, altar servers, flower arrangers, readers, collectors, greeters, volunteers who bring the gifts during the offertory procession. It takes a lot of hands to get things ready and we couldn't have done it without your contribution.

Thank you also for your offerings during this Easter Sunday. This collection goes towards the support of the friars.

Congratulations – We congratulate Hamish Skinner who has been received into the Church during our Easter Vigil, and Will Kay who has received the Sacrament of Confirmation. May God continue to bless both of you in your Christian journey.

Masses Easter Week – Please note the change to our time of Mass during the coming week. From Monday till Friday our Mass will be at 9.00 a.m.

Parish Priest away 20th-25th April and 28th April – 3rd May – I will be away over the next two weekends, during the first weekend I will be leading a pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Łagiewniki, Kraków (Poland). During my absence Br. Martin Sanderson will be looking after the parish.

Thank you – Our Conventual Franciscan brothers will be celebrating some of our parish Masses during the coming two weeks.

GIFT AID - In March the Parish received £6,000. This is entirely due to the 25% enhancement on donations given to the Parish using Gift Aid. Under the scheme, some tax paid to HMRC is returned. This means that, for example, for every £10 given, the Parish receives £12.50. If you are a UK taxpayer, and have enough tax to cover the 25%, please consider signing a gift aid declaration. It helps the Parish get money back from the Government!

Volunteers needed – As we are gradually returning back to normal arrangements during our Masses, we will require you to volunteer fulfilling certain roles to ensure our liturgies run smoothly. In order for that to happen, we would need a couple of people to help take the collection during Mass, and others to take turns bringing the gifts to the altar during the offertory. Please make yourself known to the parish priest, or one of the stewards, or email or phone.

Bible Study Group - Our next session will be on Thursday 28 April, 7.30-8.30 p.m., in the Friary. We will be looking at Luke 6:11-49, and you can find a preparation sheet at <https://www.greyfriarsoxford.uk/biblestudygroup>. Please read the passage beforehand and, if possible, have a look at the questions on the sheet.

Inspire Younger Generations - Do you enjoy working with children and young people? If so, you are invited to be part of CAFOD's education programme which inspires students to act on their sense of justice. A background in education is not necessary. We are looking for people with good interpersonal skills, an interest in CAFOD's work and who can connect well with young people. You will be asked to go into Catholic schools in the locality to deliver prepared assemblies and/or workshops about once a term. All necessary training, travel expenses and resources will be provided and you will have the ongoing friendship and support of a local team. Please get in touch with Deborah to know more about this amazing role: northampton@cafod.org.uk

We look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful team.

Parish Hall – If you would like to make a specific donation towards the renovation of the parish hall, please specify that you wish that donation to go for that purpose. You can write a cheque made out to Capuchin Oxford Parish, or donate via bank transfer to the Capuchin Oxford Parish Account (Acc. No. 50154109 Sort Code 60-70-03). Thank you for your support and generosity.

Church cleaning – This week we thank John and Sam for coming to clean the church after our Easter celebrations. If you would like to lend a helping hand and join the rota to clean the church please get in touch.

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.

Collection Last Week: £554.66

Gift Aid: £ 95

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

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 17th April 2022 Easter Sunday (Year C)

9.00 p.m. (Sat)	Parishioners
9.00 a.m.	Christie & Winnie Joyce's Family
11.00 a.m.	Anthony Joyce R.I.P.

Monday 18th

9.00 a.m.	Thanksgiving for healing Antonieta Fernandes
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Tuesday 19th

9.00 a.m.	Christy Joyce R.I.P.
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Wednesday 20th

9.00 a.m.	Gift of health for Angela Da Cunha, Wilson Vas & children
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Thursday 21st

9.00 a.m.	Br. Lucjan's intentions
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Friday 22nd

9.00 a.m.	Br. Antonio's intentions
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Saturday 23rd

8.00 a.m. Br. Anthony's intentions
6.30 p.m. Clementina Maria Cunha R.I.P.

Sunday 24th***Divine Mercy Sunday***

9.00 a.m. Parishioners
11.00 a.m. Jimmy, Geraldine & Family
5.30 p.m. Joycer, Winnie & Family

Monday 25th***St. Mark***

7.30 a.m. Sabrena Collins R.I.P.

Tuesday 26th***St. George***

7.30 a.m. Br. Pradeep's intentions

Wednesday 27th

7.30 a.m. Aurora Nedd R.I.P.

Thursday 28th

7.30 a.m. Constancio Da Costa & Aguelina
Dos Santos R.I.P.

Friday 29th***St. Catherine of Siena***

7.30 a.m. Fr. Felix Norhona S.D.B.

Saturday 30th

8.00 a.m. Helen Kelly R.I.P.
6.30 p.m. Xavier Maria R.I.P. 1st Anniv.

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

Please pray for those members of our community who are sick, especially **Therese O'Malley, Linda Parrott, Aline Beaupiere, Margaret Corcoran, Oonagh Clarkson**. 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.