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Palm Sunday – 2nd April 2023

1st Reading – Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm – My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

2nd Reading – St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel – Matthew – 26:14-27:66

Palm Sunday – please take a palm cross as you enter the church. We will begin our Masses with a short procession from outside the church or the back of the church (please follow the instructions given before Mass begins).

Cleaning the Church for Easter: We are looking for volunteers to ‘spring clean’ the Church on Monday 3rd April at 2pm. Thank you in advance in helping with this.

A Reconciliation Service – will be held in our Church on Monday 3rd April at 7pm, in preparation for Easter. A perfect opportunity to cleanse our homes in order to welcome the Risen Christ into our hearts.

Maundy Thursday Volunteers – During the celebration of the Mass of the Lord’s Supper we recreate the moment when Jesus washed His disciples’ feet. We need 12 volunteers to sign up on the list at the back of the church to have your foot washed during the Mass by the presiding priest. Thank you.

Good Friday Walk of Witness – As we do every year, we are invited to take part in our local Walk of Witness on Good Friday morning. We gather at the Cowley Road Methodist church from around 10.15am and begin at 10.30am. We walk

together with our fellow Christians to bear witness to what the Lord did for us. We meditate and pray at various points along the route before reaching our final destination – the church of St. Mary and St. John on Cowley Road.

Collection for Holy Places – During the liturgy on Good Friday there is a collection for Holy Places in support of Christians and holy places in the Holy Land. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Bishop David McGough R.I.P. - It is with great sadness we announce the death of Bishop David McGough, retired auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Bishop David passed away recently at his home in Tean aged 78. Archbishop Bernard Longley said: “I know that you will join me in praying for Bishop David’s eternal joy with the risen Christ as his good and faithful servant – and in offering Bishop David’s family our heartfelt condolences and our prayers over the coming days. With immense gratitude for all that Bishop David has meant to our Archdiocese – and my prayers and kindest wishes.” The details of Bishop David’s funeral will be published once arrangements have been made.

Gift Aid for the next financial year: - Would donors who give by using envelopes please collect their 2023-24 envelopes from the Sacristy. If you normally pay by envelope but have been omitted, please contact the Parish Priest or the Gift Aid Organiser, Mrs Thelma Martin at: edward854@edward854.plus.com. The Parish is very grateful for your offerings.

Parish 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

Building a Pro-Life Oxford with you. 7.15-9pm, Tues 4th April, St Anthony's Hall, Headington, OX3 7SS. Interested in doing a little drop of good for the pro-life cause in the mêlée of everyday life? Come to a fun workshop to establish the concrete mission of Oxford Pro-Life. No experience reqd, all ages welcome, pizza!. Free parking. For info & RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/ox-pro-life-workshop>, or contact Ed Smith/Jacob Amacker at ox.prolife@gmail.com and 07897194483.

Parish Donations

Collection Last Week: £585.40

Gift Aid: £66

Cafod: £95

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 2nd April 2023 Palm Sunday (Year A) | | |
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| 6.30 p.m. (Sat) | Armando Martins R.I.P. | |
| 9.00 a.m. | Secular Franciscan Order Int. | |
| 11.00 a.m. | Parishioners | |
| 5.30 p.m. | Fernande Alberta Stapleton R.I.P. | |
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| Monday 3rd | | |

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| 7.30 a.m. | 1) Anthony De Vere R.I.P. 2) Kieran Hughes | |
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| Tuesday 4th | | |
| 7.30 a.m. | 1) Edward James Martin R.I.P. 2) Christy & Pat Joyce Int. | |
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| Wednesday 5th | | |
| 7.30 a.m. | Dermot Carroll R.I.P. | |
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| Maundy Thursday | | <i>Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by watching until midnight</i> |
| 7.30 p.m. | Farrow Family Int. | |
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| Good Friday | | |
| 3 p.m. | <i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i> | |
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| Easter Vigil | | |
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| 9 p.m. | Pedro Lemos, Salvador & Marito Soares R.I.P. | |

Easter Sunday 9th April - Mass 9am, 11am, NO MASS at 5.30pm

Easter Monday 10th April - Mass 9am

Easter Tuesday 11th April - Mass 9am

Easter Wednesday 12th April - Mass 9am

Easter Thursday 13th April - Mass 9am

Easter Friday 14th April - Mass 9am

Easter Saturday 15th April - Mass 8am, Sunday Vigil 6.30pm

Normal Mass times resume.

Sacrament of Penance (Confession): No confessions on Holy Saturday and on Saturday morning of the 15th April due to a meeting of the brothers.