



Our Lady Help of Christians

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th June, 2022

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(Also serving Sacred Heart, Blackbird Leys)

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Sunday, 26 th June Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Saturday Evening Vigil: 5.30 pm 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Sunday Morning: 11.00 am 3.00 pm Baptisms	Patrick Murphy (Snr. and Jnr) Gaafar Elomari Dominyka & Oskaras Miknius
Monday, 27 th June <i>Op. Mem. of St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Sacred Heart)	Ancy and Family
Tuesday, 28 th June <i>Memorial of St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr</i>	No Public Mass Today	Dec'd Groden Family
Wednesday, 29 th June Solemnity of St. Peter & St. Paul, Apostles Holyday of Obligation	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass (7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	The O'Dwyer Family Philomena Harrington
Thursday 30 th June <i>Op. Mem. of the First Martyrs of Rome</i>	7.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Josie Dekkers
Friday, 1 st July <i>Op. Mem. of St. Oliver Plunkett, Bishop, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition & Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Emmi Egbuonu
Saturday, 2 nd July	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 11.30 am Mass Saturday Evening Vigil: 5.30 pm	Peter Nottingham Filomena de Jesus Goncalves
Sunday, 3 rd July Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer Sunday Morning: 11.00 am	Kath Mullagh's Intentions
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm		

Welcome to Our Lady Help of Christians for Mass today.

Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for Brenda O'Meara, Claudino Serra Vaz, Janet Oakley, Kevin and Hilary Kirby, Phil Bawden, David (3 years old), and all those we know who are sick.

Please pray for the souls of Sr. Rose Cavanagh FMA, Jane Hannah Boyce, Filomeno Da Cruz Martins, Bridget Cherry, Robert Jackson, Duarte Coito and all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frs. John Bradley, John Joseph McMorro and Deacon Ralph Watkins, and also Maddalena (Lena) Puma and Ron Jones. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

If you wish to join us for Mass from your home, we are live and can be viewed at

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

Here is a prayer, an Act of Spiritual Communion, which you can say as you watch a Livestream Mass:

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You."

Collection for 19th June: £1,029.33; Gift Aid: £216.50. **Day for Life:** £128.09. Thank you.

Prayer Before Mass:

God our Father, you sent Jesus, our High Priest, to redeem us and you willed that His saving work should continue through the ministry of priests. Enlighten us to celebrate this Sunday Mass with our priest, so that, empowered by the Word of life and the Eucharist, we may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to live to the full our Christian calling. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer at the end of Mass:

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! *Pray for us, O holy Mother of God*, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week in Thanksgiving.
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Pope Francis.
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for Ron Jones RIP (Anniversary).**

This Wednesday (29th June) is the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, which is a Holyday of Obligation, when we are required to take part in the Mass if we can. There will be Mass here at Our Lady's at 9.15 am and at Sacred Heart at 7.00 pm.

Peter's Pence. There will be a Second Collection at Masses this weekend for Peter's Pence, our national gift as Catholics to the Pope to assist his apostolic work.

First Friday. This Friday is the first of the month and we shall say the Novena Prayers to the Sacred Heart before the evening Mass.

Next Saturday we welcome a group of Permanent Deacons who will be here for a Day of Reflection and Training. There will be Mass at 11.30 am and everyone is welcome to come.

Don Bosco Today. The latest edition of the Salesian Bulletin is available at the back of the church. Don't forget to take your copy.

Message from CAFOD: "CAFOD says a huge thank you for all your support, prayers, and donations for the people of Ukraine. Catholics in England and Wales have donated over £3 million, and this is enabling immediate, practical support – such as the provision of food, clothing, shelter, and transport. Please keep the people of Ukraine and all our brothers and sisters who face daily suffering in your prayers. Visit cafod.org.uk/UkraineAppeal for more information. Thank you and God bless you."

Pope's Prayer Intention for July: For the elderly. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Salesian Cooperators' meeting in the Mornese Centre at Elmthorpe Convent on Thursday 30th June at 7.00 pm. All are welcome. Contact Chris Baker 01865 770102 for more information.

Cake sale. Next weekend there will be a cake sale in the Don Bosco Centre, courtesy of the Salesian Cooperators, to raise funds for the Salesian Sisters Missions.

March For Life UK. The annual March for Life will be held in London on Saturday, 3rd September. For information go to: <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/>

Head of Safeguarding for the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese are seeking to recruit a head of Safeguarding. Closing date: 11th July 2022. For more information please contact Adam Stacey, via info@charismarecruitment.co.uk or 01962 813300.

My Day By Day Book for July is now available at the back of church (price £1).

Garden Party at Newman's College, Littlemore: Saturday, 9th July, 3.00-5.00 pm. Enjoy homemade cakes, games, various stalls, and more. Live music by a string quartet. Guided tours will be available at 4.00 pm.

Congratulations to the children who made their First Holy Communion last weekend and thank you to everyone who helped to prepare them and helped with the services.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to honour Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford. next Sunday, 3rd July, starting at 1.00 pm and ending with Mass at 4.00 pm. *Please take your own chairs.*

Remember: refreshments are available after the Sunday and Tuesday Masses in the Don Bosco Centre. Come and have a chat with friends.

Tailpiece: A woman died and went up to the Pearly Gates. St. Peter stopped her and said, "You can only come in here if you know something about love. For instance, can you spell it?" The woman did so, and St. Peter happily allowed her to step inside. Then he said, "Will you do me a favour? I've been here for nearly two thousand years, and I really need to go to the toilet. You've seen what I do; can you just mind the gates for me for a minute, please?" She agreed, and while she was there who should arrive but her husband. "Hello, Dear," said she. "It's nice to see you again, but I'm afraid that you can only come in here if you can pass a test. Spell ... Czechoslovakia."

**May God bless you and all those whom you love.
Fr. Harry**