



Our Lady Help of Christians

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th October, 2022

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Sunday, 9 th October Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Prisons Week	Saturday Evening Vigil: 5.30 pm 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass 2.00 pm Baptism 3.00 pm Baptism (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Martinho Claudio da Salva Amarah Angela Fryer & Family Anne-Marie Lyons (Anniversary) Valentina Partridge Meneses Molly Lidia Daniels Antonio Maria Da Silva
Monday, 10 th October Op. Mem. of St. Paulinus of York, or Ss. Denis & Comps., Martyrs, or St. John Leonardi, Priest	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.15 am Mass at Sacred Heart)	In Thanksgiving (Cecilia)
Tuesday, 11 th October Op. Mem. of Bl. William Howard, Martyr, or of St. John XXIII, Pope	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Mass	In Thanksgiving for JB and Adrian
Wednesday, 12 th October Op. Memorial of St. Wilfrid, Bishop	No Public Mass Today	The People of the Parish
Thursday, 13 th October Op. Mem. of St. Edward the Confessor	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Timotio Pereira Babo (Birthday)
Friday, 14 th October Op. Mem. of St. Callistus I, Pope, Martyr	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Filomena Maria da Jesus Goncalves
Saturday, 15 th October Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Doctor of the Church	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 11.00 am Mass for the Sick Saturday Evening Vigil: 5.30 pm	Sick Parishioners Robert Mallin
Sunday, 16 th October Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	In Thanksgiving for friends Tommy Gildea (Anniversary) Adriano Soriano da Silva
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm		

Welcome to Our Lady Help of Christians for Mass today, especially if you are new to the parish.

Our Parish Prayer: *Help us, Lord, to receive you with an open heart this day.*

May our community receive your grace and deepen its faith in you.

*Make us lights to shine forth with your love, giving life and hope to those who have fallen away
or who have never known you.*

Collections during September: 4th September, £470.86; Gift Aid: £146.90; 11th September, £632.65; Gift Aid: £167.12;
18th September, £469.35; Gift Aid: £116.00; 25th September, £594.78; Gift Aid: £238.00.

Direct Debit Donations (September): £1,372.00.

Online Donations via the Archdiocesan Website (September): £200.00.

CAFOD Pakistan Floods Appeal: £390.86; **Catholic Education Service:** £157.00; **Home Mission Sunday:** £225.86;
Father Hudson's Care: £244.77. Thank you.

Prayers for the Sick. Please pray for Brenda O'Meara, Claudino Serra Vaz, Phil Bawden, Pat Mazonowicz, David, Thomas Gaughan, and all those we know who are sick.

Please pray for the soul of Richard Hansen and the souls of all who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mgr. Cyril L. Fay, Frs. Thomas Power, Terence James Brian Whatmore, Seamus Gilroy and Edmund Cullen, Deacons Patrick Selwood and Louis Kelly, and also Giuseppe Bonassisa and Patrick O'Connell. 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>

"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."

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Bridie Barry (Intentions).
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Peace.

A Parish Day Out to Douai Abbey, NEXT TUESDAY, 11th October. [Change of plan.](#) Because of numbers we shall now go in a minibus. Leave Our Lady's at 10.00 am, returning around 7.30 pm. Cost: £15.00 (donation to the Abbey). We shall have Mass and join the Community for Midday Prayer. After lunch (please bring a packed lunch) we shall have a tour and talk. Evening Prayer at 6.00 pm and leave after that. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church.

Mini Craft Fair in the Mornese Centre at Elmthorpe Convent next Saturday 15th October, 2.00-4.00 pm. All are welcome, but regrettably there is no parking at the convent. You are welcome to park here at the church if you wish. All proceeds will go to supporting Emmaus fighting homelessness around Cowley.

Barn Dance for Joy! Come, dance and make merry on Friday 21st October, 7.30 pm in St. Anthony's RC Church Hall, OX3 7SS. In aid of The School of Joy, for children with learning disabilities in Bethlehem, and the St Francis de Sales Trust for financial support for Catholic and pro-life causes. Tickets £5 on the door.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day – World Food Crisis. Last Friday we were asked to give up some food and give the money that we saved to help CAFOD in their work as millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. There will be a second collection at Masses this weekend for the money you saved on Friday.

Today is Prisoners' Sunday when we are asked to pray for prisoners, their families and all of those affected by imprisonment and those who support them. PACT (Prison Advice and Care Trust) supports prisoners, ex-offenders and their families. If you wish to know more about PACT please visit [Prisoners' Sunday - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](http://Prisoners' Sunday - Catholic Bishops' Conference (cbcew.org.uk))

October, the Month of the Rosary. If you don't already pray the Rosary, I encourage you to try it this month. Perhaps start with one decade (an Our Father, ten Hail Marys and a Glory Be) each day and increase as and when you can. It is a great prayer to say as a family.

A Day for Parish Readers. Saturday, 19th November, 10.00-4.00 in the church and the Don Bosco Centre. If you are (or would like to be) a reader please try to come.

Baptism. This weekend we welcome Valentina Partridge Meneses and Molly Lidia Daniels into the family of the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for them and their families.

Children's Liturgy of the Word. We are hoping to have special sessions for children in Years 1 and 2 during the 11.00 Mass on Sunday mornings, starting in Advent, in which they can be helped to explore the Mass Readings, especially the Gospel, in a way that is appropriate for their age. But we would need adults as catechists to help run it. If you could help, please come and have a word with me. Thank you.

Mass for the Sick. There will be a special Mass, with the Anointing of the Sick, here at Our Lady's church next Saturday at 11.00 am. Please pass this news on to anyone who is poorly, and if you can help them to get to the church for the Mass please try to do so. There will be refreshments in the Don Bosco Centre after Mass.

Plans for traffic on Hollow Way. As you may have heard, Oxfordshire County Council is proposing to put in six traffic filters in Oxford next year with the idea of reducing traffic, making walking and cycling safer and making bus journeys faster. When they are operating, private cars will not be allowed through the traffic filters without a permit. One of these filters is proposed for the top of Hollow Way. It will operate from 7am to 7pm., Monday-Saturday. While this will not affect us on Sunday mornings, it will hinder people coming to Mass during the week and on Saturday evenings. Find out more about the proposals and have your say by visiting: <https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/traffic-filters-2022>. Feedback for the survey will **close on 13th October.**

Tailpiece: From a parish newsletter (NOT HERE): *Ladies, don't forget the jumble sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget to bring your husbands.*

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