



Our Lady Help of Christians

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

4th June, 2023

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Sunday, 4 th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass 3.00 pm Baptisms (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Jackie (Birthday) Cecilia Michael Bridie Barry Jacob and Amelie Conaghan-Walker Ceanne Netto
Monday, 5 th June Memorial of St. Boniface, Bishop, Martyr	7.00 am Mass 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Jackie and Alan
Tuesday, 6 th June Op. Mem. of St. Norbert	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass	Robin MacDonald
Wednesday, 7 th June	No Public Mass Today	The People of the Parish
Thursday, 8 th June	(7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Madeline Dandridge
Friday, 9 th June Op. Mem. of St. Columba, Abbot or St. Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Patricia Barrett-Ashman
Saturday, 10 th June	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (10.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	Pedro Lemos Salvador Soares Filomena Jesus Goncalves
Sunday, 11 th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass 2.00 pm Baptisms 4.30 pm Syro-Malabar Community Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Rosa Maria da Silva First Holy Communicants Cairo, Zacari May & Santiago Horahaniu Tommy Gildea

Confessions: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm

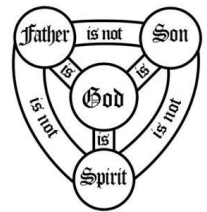
(Confessions at Sacred Heart: Thursday, 6.00 pm – 6.45 pm; Saturday, 10.30 – 11.30 am)

Saturday 5.30 pm Eucharistic Ministers	Sunday 11.00 am Eucharistic Ministers		Saturday 5.30 pm Readers	Sunday 11.00 am Readers
Maureen	Mabel and Rachel	This Weekend	Naomi	Sandra and Nalini
Vitalija	Anne-Marie and Anne	Next Weekend	Fallon	Michelle and Udemé



Welcome to Our Lady Help of Christians for Mass today.

Today is one of the great feasts of the Church – the Most Holy Trinity, when we praise and honour God, not for anything in particular that He has done, but simply because He is God.



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. Amen.

Please pray for Aveen Kavanagh, Jean Carpenter, Phil Bawden, Thomas Gaughan, Doreen Cox, Pat Mazonowicz, and all those we know who are sick.

Please pray for those who have died recently: Frank Benson, Pauline Ryan, Mary O'Hara, Gejjo Masih, Patrick Joseph Hannon, Fr. Anthony Davies, Canon John Gunn, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bishop James Dey, Mgr. Bernard Robinson, Canon Harry Bouchier, Frs. John Crean, Peter Gallagher, John Arthur McIver, John P. Lane, Timothy Cronin and William Quinn, Deacon Peter Phelan, Sr. Agnes Collett FMA, and also Maria Keady, Kathleen O'Malley, Simon Boyd and Patrick McLoughlin. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

If you wish to join us for Mass or other services from your home go to <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-help-of-christians> Here is an Act of Spiritual Communion to say at home:

"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."

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 for Peace.
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for the People of the Parish.
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for Tommy White.**

Baptism. This weekend we welcome Jacob and Amelie Conaghan-Walker into the family of the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for them and their family.

Corpus Christi Procession – Next Sunday, 11th June, starting at 2.30 pm at the Oxford Oratory, processing through the city to the University Catholic Chaplaincy, stopping at Blackfriars for a sermon. Ends with Benediction at the Chaplaincy, followed by refreshments.

First Holy Communion. Next weekend thirty-four children from our parish will be receiving Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time. Some of the pews will be reserved for them and their families at both the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Please pray for them.

Cake and Bric-a-brac Sale. The Salesian Cooperators will be selling cakes, etc. in the Don Bosco Centre after Mass this weekend for the Church Floor Renovation Fund.

Emmaus Oxford. We welcome to the 11.00 am Mass today Fox and Mark from Emmaus Oxford. Fox is leading a project to support people who are homeless in our city centre by handing out essentials they need (food, clothes, toiletries, etc.) and being there as someone to talk to who truly understands their situation. He will say a few words at the end of Mass about his solidarity work.

Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to those who were confirmed here last Tuesday. Thank you to Canon Paul for coming to confirm them, to the catechists who worked so hard to prepare them, to those who made sure the church was looking so beautiful, to their families who supported them. Most of all, thank you to those who were confirmed. May God bless you.

Our Lady's Flooring Appeal.



To try to raise some funds I propose to do a Sponsored Walk. There is an old custom for a parish priest to "Beat The Bounds", that is, to walk around the boundaries of the parish, so that is what I am planning to do on Saturday, 17th June, starting at 10.00 am. I estimate that it should be about 10 miles. If anyone would like to join me for all or part of the walk you would be very welcome, but what I am really hoping is that people will sponsor me. There are sponsorship lists on the table at the back of the church. Please help to make it worth my while!

Tailpiece: One Sunday in church a mother was kneeling with her small son and the boy was chuckling loudly. "Johnny, stop making that noise," the mother said. The little boy replied, "It's all right, Mummy. I have just told God a joke and we are both laughing."

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