



Our Lady Help of Christians

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th June, 2024

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Sunday, 9 th June Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Syro-Malabar Community Mass (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Isabel Honai & Delvi Manuel Fernandes Private Intention Cecilia Michael Kathryn Allsworth (Birthday) Manuel Salsima & Madelena Salsima
Monday, 10 th June	7.00 am Mass 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	In Thanksgiving
Tuesday, 11 th June Mem. of St. Barnabas, Apostle	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 8.30 am Mass	Sr. Norma (60 th Anniversary)
Wednesday, 12 th June	No Public Mass Today	Rolando Guterres Andrade (Birthday)
Thursday, 13 th June Mem. of St. Anthony of Padua Priest, Doctor of the Church	No Public Mass Today	Robin Hicks
Friday, 14 th June	6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Pat Murphy (Anniversary)
Saturday, 15 th June	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (10.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	Joao Lobato, Anna Saldanha, Inocencia Romedios, Maria Lobato Nancy Lyons (Anniversary)
Sunday, 16 th June Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Day for Life	7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Syro-Malabar Community Mass (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Private Intention Magdalena Hiceta Tommy Gildea (Birthday) Nivio Jose Da Costa Fernandes

Confessions: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm.

(Confessions at Sacred Heart: 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
Jackie	Sandra and Mabel	This Weekend	Doris	Nalini
Maureen	Rachel and Anne-Marie	Next Weekend	Fallon	Guisilla

Welcome to Our Lady Help of Christians for Mass today.

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.

If you wish to join us for Mass from your home go to: <https://www.mcn.live/Camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

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Please pray for the sick, especially those we know: Josie Griffiths, Keelin Trahearne, Claudino Serra Vaz, Claire French, John Pill, Aveen Kavanagh, Doreen Cox, Betty Duff, Beatrice Upham, Thomas Gaughan, Jean Carpenter, Nicky Clark, Cheryl Jones, and Inna.

Please pray for Iris Kathleen O'Brien who died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Mgr. Bernard Robinson, Frs. John Arthur McIver, John P. Lane, Timothy Cronin, William Quinn, Gerard McArdle, Cyril Adams and Joseph Lanny, Deacon Peter Phelan, Ss. Agnes Collett FMA and Brigid Cahill FMA, and also Charles (Chas) McHugh, Orlando Abrunho and Patrick Donaghy. May they rest in peace.

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 Katherine Raj.
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Paul, Lena, and Baby.
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for a Special Intention.
St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for Tommy Gildea (Birthday).
St. Don Bosco's Candle is burning this week for our Parish.

General Election, Thursday 4th July.

- **St. Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD** have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see www.cafod.org.uk/encounter or www.svp.org.uk/encounter for more info.
- **The Bishops' Conference** have created a webpage on their website with information about the issues important to Catholics. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>
- **Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN)** are encouraging all Catholics to #RegisterToVote before 23:59 on the 18th June 2024 in preparation for the General Election. CSAN have launched a number of resources to help Catholics inform their conscience and navigate the political landscape at this time, find more at www.csan.org.uk/general-election-2024

Parish Health and Safety Officer. We are looking for a volunteer to make sure that our church and grounds are safe places for everyone. If you would like more details please come and ask me.

Next Sunday is the annual Day for Life. This year the theme for the Day is: "The Lord is my Shepherd - Compassion and Hope at the End of Life". The hope is to build a culture of care at the end of life, especially for the most vulnerable, as people prepare for eternal life. Recently there have been calls for the legalisation of assisted suicide, a view that opposes the Catholic view that life is a gift from God. There will be a second collection at Masses next weekend to support organisations which work to promote the protection of life, as well as projects such as Rachel's Vineyard.

Oxford Pro-Life Social. If you would like to find out more or if you are already involved in the pro-life community, come along to relax with like-minded people in the pro-life community on Friday, 21st June, 7.15–9.00 pm, at the "Up in Arms" Marston, OX3 0EN. Parking and food available. All welcome!

Next week is National Refugee Week. There will be a Zoom meeting at 7.00 pm on Monday, 17th June, when you can hear an update of what is happening across the Archdiocese. You can ask questions or comment. To join the meeting please click on this link from 6.45pm: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89863517023?pwd=JRXgfcAeDeEE3in5xNqJo3flxGfbOb.1>
Meeting ID: 898 6351 7023. Passcode: 808460
Let them know if you want to take part at: comms@fatherhudsons.org.uk

The next Deanery talk for the Year of Prayer will be led by Fr. Paul Whieldon at St. Joseph's, Carterton, next Sunday, 16th June, at 4.30pm.

New Auxiliary Bishops of Birmingham. Please continue to pray for Mgr Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker as they prepare for their Episcopal Ordination at 12.00 noon on Tuesday, 16th July.

"Come And See" Weekend, 21-23 June. The Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers (Betharram) will be holding a 'Weekend' to Explore the Gift of Vocation to the Religious Life and Priesthood, at the Dupuis Retreat Centre, St. Paul's Convent, 94 Selly Park Road, Birmingham B29 7LL. For more info please contact: Br Andrew Ferris, SCJ (andrewferris@hotmail.co.uk) or Fr Wilfred Joseph, SCJ (Wilfred15@hotmail.com)

The Oxford Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order: Day of Recollection, next Saturday 15th June, 10.00 – 4.00, at the Mornese Centre, Elmthorpe Covent, on the theme of God's Extravagant Love – the witness of St. Francis and St. Clare. There will be talks, Mass, and time for reflection and prayer. Tea/coffee will be available but please bring a packed lunch. All welcome.

Tailpiece: Two priests were talking. One boasted, "When I preach I have the congregation glued to their seats." Replied the other, "Now, why didn't I think of that?"

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