



Our Lady Help of Christians

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th November, 2024

Fr. Harry Curtis, Parish Priest

(Also serving Sacred Heart, Blackbird Leys)

Parish Secretary (also Giving and Gift Aid): Geraldine Griffin

Safeguarding Officer: Elizabeth Moran, sg.olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk

The Presbytery, 59 Hollow Way, Cowley, Oxford, OX4 2ND.

Telephone: 01865 770 910 Email: olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk

Website: www.olhoccowley.co.uk (a copy of this newsletter can be found on our website)

This church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notice in church porch for more details.

Livestreaming: <https://www.mcn.live/Camera/our-lady-help-of-christians>

Sunday, 10 th November Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday 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 2.00 pm Baptism (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Epifania Auxiliadora Da Costa Freitas Private Intention Mary & Anthony Afanu (Thanks) The People of the Parish Janiel Osose Osahon Nuala McNally (Get Well)
Monday, 11 th November <i>Memorial of St. Martin of Tours</i>	7.00 am Mass 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Michael Flood
Tuesday, 12 th November <i>Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mass, followed by the Rosary (12.15 pm Mass at Corpus Christi Church)	Special Intention Deceased Clergy of the Deanery
Wednesday, 13 th November	No Public Mass Today	In Thanksgiving
Thursday, 14 th November	(10.00 am Funeral Service at Sacred Heart) (7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Patricia (Olive) Ashley-Morgan Private Intention
Friday, 15 th November <i>Optional Memorial of St. Albert the Great, Bishop</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Mary Clarke (Anniversary)
Saturday, 16 th November <i>Op. Mem. of St. Edmund of Abingdon, or St. Margaret of Scotland, or St. Gertrude</i>	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer (11.00 am Parish Memorial Mass at Sacred Heart) 5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	Patrick & Mary McGroarty Sean Jennings (Anniversary)
Sunday, 17 th November Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of the Poor	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 2.00 pm Baptism (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Private Intention Michael Cullen Raden Toton Kiemdarto Maila Clarke Cancio Da Costa

Saturday 5.30 pm Eucharistic Ministers	Sunday 11.00 am Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday 5.30 pm Readers	Sunday 11.00 am Readers
Zoja	Anne-Marie and Anne	Naomi	Guisilla
Agnes	Asha and Sandra	Fallon	Cecilia and Michelle

Welcome to Our Lady Help of Christians for Mass today.



Remembrance Sunday. Today is Remembrance Sunday. We shall have a short service after the parish Masses to lay a wreath at the foot of the cross. We pray for those who have died in wars and for peace.

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 the sick, especially those people we know: Josie Griffiths, Keelin Trahearne, Claudino Serra Vaz, Claire French, Aven Kavanagh, Doreen Cox, Betty Duff, Beatrice Upham, Thomas Gaughan, Jean Carpenter, Nicky Clarke, Cheryl Jones, Mary Cross, Sheila Cuddy, Rosa and Maria Fernandes, Sharon Hinchin and Inna.

Please pray for Terry Downes, Mary Muthoni, Patricia (Olive) Ashley-Morgan and Fidelma Martin who died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frs. Michael O’Keefe, Laurence Smith, Thomas O’Connor, William Boyle, Joseph Ryan, James O’Sullivan, Raymund Jones and Petroc Howell, Dcn John Burton, Srs. Mary Mulhall, Mary Dooley, Teresa Shannon and Lisetta Ferrari FMA, and also Frank Cairns, Betty Magan, Ryszard Kaniszewski, Patrick Lynch, John Perkins, Peggy Byrne, Sean Jennings, Sylvia Whaley, Antonio Gomes Goncalves Figueira, Marjorie Chungtuycy, Frederick Gardner, Arthur Bayliss, Nan Ford and Kathleen Davies. May they rest in peace.

November Prayers for the Dead. There are memorial slips available on the altar rails to write the names of those you wish to pray for. Place the slips in the basket in front of the altar and they will be remembered at Mass throughout the month.

Mass for the Deceased Clergy of the North Oxford Deanery Tuesday 12th November, 12.15 pm, at Corpus Christi Church, Headington. All welcome.

Parish Memorial Mass for those in the parish who have died, especially those whose funerals have been held here during the past year, on Saturday, 23rd November, 11.00 am. If you would like a name to be included, please let me know.



**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for John Dopson (1st Anniversary).
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Terry Downes RIP.**

Christmas Crafts Class, Saturday, 16th November, 12.00 - 2.00 pm. If you would like to learn how to make your own decorations or presents for Christmas, there will be a session to do so on in the Don Bosco Centre.



Tickets, **£10.00, on sale after the weekend Masses.** There will be three Classes to choose from: Christmas Wreaths; Christmas Paper Decorations (baubles, garlands); Felted and Yarn Toys/Angels. Please choose which class you want to attend at the time of buying your ticket. All materials will be supplied.

Wanted!! We need people who are willing to help to prepare children for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, and Confirmation. If you would like to try this ministry, please talk to me.



Missio Red Boxes. If you have a Red Box, could you please bring it in to be emptied by next Sunday, 17th November. Thank you. If you would like to know more please speak to Sandra Cromey.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. 2025 is the Year of Jubilee and Archbishop Bernard invites you to join in this special event in the life of the Archdiocese. The pilgrimage dates are: **Saturday 24th – Friday 30th May 2025**, and you can now express your interest in a place or get more information at: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.

Our Lady Help of Christians Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Elizabeth Moran who can be contacted at sg.olhoc.oxford@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Tailpiece: At a church meeting, one member decided to share his faith story. “I’m a millionaire,” he said, “and I attribute it all to the blessings of God. I remember the turning point in my faith: I had just earned my first pound and I went to a youth meeting. The speaker was a missionary who talked about his work. I knew that I only had a pound note and I had either to give it all to God’s work, or nothing at all. I decided to give my pound to God. I believe that God blessed that decision, and that is why I am a rich man today.” When he had finished, the chair of the parish committee leaned over and said: “Good story! I dare you to do it again!”



**Pope Francis sends his Apostolic Blessing on our parish family.
May God bless you and all those whom you love.
Fr. Harry**