



Our Lady Help of Christians

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

15th June, 2025

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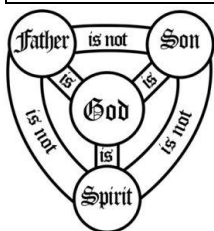
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Sunday, 15 th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	5.30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass 7.45 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9.00 am Syro-Malabar Community Mass (9.00 am Mass at Sacred Heart) 11.00 am Mass (6.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Pat Murphy (8 th Anniversary) Private Intention Magdalena Hiceta Nancy Lyons (Anniversary) The People of the Parish
Monday, 16 th June Optional Memorial of St. Richard of Chichester	7.00 am Mass 8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer	Paul Watts (Birthday)
Tuesday, 17 th June	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 10.30 am Requiem Mass	Yvonne Alice Brennen
Wednesday, 18 th June Feast of the Dedication of St. Chad's Cathedral	No Public Mass Today	John and Kathleen Boyle
Thursday, 19 th June Optional Memorial of St. Romuald	(7.00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart)	Paul Dolton and Florence Bolton
Friday, 20 th June Optional Memorial of St. Alban, Martyr	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Exposition and Benediction 7.00 pm Mass	Bernard Seward
Saturday, 21 st June Memorial of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	8.00 am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 11.00 am First Holy Communion Mass 1.30 pm Baptism 5.30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday	Louisa Summers (Get Well) Meadhbh Morrissey Fernando Candido Da Silva
Sunday, 22 nd June Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi)	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 Nancy McDonnell Jackie Murdoch (Birthday) The People of the Parish

Confessions: Friday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm.

(Also at Sacred Heart on Thursday, 6.00 – 6.45 pm.)

Saturday 5.30 pm Eucharistic Ministers	Sunday 11.00 am Eucharistic Ministers		Saturday 5.30 pm Readers	Sunday 11.00 am Readers
Josie	Anne-Marie and Anne	This Weekend	Naomi	Cecilia
Maureen	Rachel and Sandra	Next Weekend	Henry	Ellie and Daniella



Welcome to Mass at Our Lady's today, and a Happy Father's Day to all Dads.

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.

We are a parish with a clear identity and purpose: to be a Catholic community, formed by the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus, for the glory and praise of God the Father and the service of His Kingdom, and also for the mutual building up and support of its members. The core message that we feel called to live is contained in Jesus' words:

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10:10)

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, Claire French, Betty Duff, Beatrice Upham, Thomas Gaughan, Jean Carpenter, Nicky Clarke, Terry Jackson, Cheryl Jones, Mary Cross, Sheila Cuddy, Rosa Fernandes, Maggie Durkin, Tony Davies, Sr. Maria Debono, Inna, Pat Walsh, Doreen Teagle, Mary Barry.

Please pray for Fr. John Baggley, Srs. Mary Louise Ballard and Teresa Frost FMA, Yvonne Alice Brennan, Ruben Alexandre Guimaraes and Rosie Hart who died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur around this time: Mgr. Peter William Stonier, Frs. Joseph Davenport, John Basil Harrington, Laurence Jones, Hubert Mooney, Bernard Garratt, George Smith, Eric Morgan, and Geoffrey Tucker, Dcn. William Baines, and also John Boyle, Robert John (Bob) Jackson, Annie (Nancy) Lyons, Bridget Cherry, Josie Dekkers, Peggy Doherty, Patrick White, Peter Rhodes, Alice Sykes, Linda James and Duarte Miguel Viveiros Coito. May they rest in peace. **Fr. John Baggley was Parish Priest of Sacred Heart from 1998-2000 and of Corpus Christi from 2000-2015.** His Requiem will be at Corpus Christi, Headington on Wednesday, 2nd July, at 12.00 Noon. The Archbishop will preside. Fr. John's body will be received into church on Tuesday, 1st July, at 7.00 pm with Mass.

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Sean Og Jennings (Birthday).

The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for Fr. John Mundackal.

St. Don Bosco's Candle is burning this week for Pupils at Greyfriars School who are taking examinations.

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.

Day for Life, today. Every year, the Church marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. There will be a second collection for the Day for Life Fund.

First Holy Communion. The First Holy Communion Mass at Our Lady's will be this Saturday, 21st June, at 11.00 am. Please pray for the children and their families.

Confirmation. Bishop Richard Walker will be here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for members of our community on Saturday, 28th June, 10.00 am.

The Oxford Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order (OFS) will be holding an Open Quiet Day of Recollection this Saturday, 21st June at the Mornese Centre, Elmthorpe Convent. All welcome. 9.30 am - 4.00 pm. Bring a packed lunch; refreshments available. Offerings gratefully received.

Altar Servers' Day. On 21st June, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Brook Lane, Thame, OX9 2AB. Gather from 9.30 am-3.00 pm for a day of fun, prayer, and serving. For more, ask Paddie patrick.denton@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

Car Park Lighting Appeal. We are collecting for new lighting. Donations would be very welcome. Thank you.

Urgent: The vote on the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill is imminent and critical. This Bill, if passed, cannot be undone. Your MP needs to hear from you. Your opinion can truly make a difference in defeating this Bill. Please do not leave it to others. Take just one minute to write to your MP today: prolifecommunityoxford.org.uk/bill

The annual Corpus Christi Procession through the streets of Oxford will take place next Sunday, 22nd June. The procession will leave the Oratory church of St. Aloysius at 2.30 pm, going first to Blackfriars for a sermon and ending with Benediction at the University Chaplaincy.

Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea) is seeking a volunteer to help with Sea Sunday (12/13 July this year) in this parish. We have a second collection to support the work of Stella Maris. The volunteer will read out the appeal (which Stella Maris will provide) at the end of Masses. If you can do this, please contact roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org or 07887 893 763.

Young Adults (18 to 35+). Meet Gabriel, Vanessa, Maria and Fletcher over a cuppa after the 11.00 am Mass.

Youngsters (13 to 17). We can now have a first meeting after Mass next Sunday to see who is interested and to get to know each other. Parents are welcome to take part.

Contactless collections. If you wish to make a donation to the parish but don't have any cash with you, don't fret! There is a **"Digital Collection Plate"** towards the back of the church near the Piety Shop so you can donate by your credit/debit card. Thank you.

Thank you to all who made last Sunday's celebration of Pentecost such a special occasion. To the readers, servers and singers, to those who prepared the hall, brought food and served it (there was a feel of the feeding of the five thousand) and cleared up, THANK YOU.

Tailpiece: A priest went into a primary school and asked, "Who can tell me what the Blessed Trinity means?" A little girl lisped, "The Blethed Twinity meanth there are thwee perthonth in one God." The priest said, "Would you say that again? I don't understand." The little girl replied, "Y'not thuppothod to underthand; 't'wh a myhtwewy."

May God bless you and all those whom you love.

Fr. Harry