Mass Times 14th - 21st June 2025

Sat 14th 10am Jessica Moore R.I.P.

Sat 14th 6pm May Knight R.I.P.

Sun 15th 9am Pro Populo

Sun 15th 11am Bernard Thomas Webb R.I.P. (Lambourn)

Mon 16th 10am Miss Raab R.I.P. (F)

Tues 17th 10am Patrick Bergin R.I.P.

Weds 18th 10am Canon Desmond Close R.I.P. (F)

Weds 18th 12 Noon (Lambourn)

Weds 18th 7pm Holy Hour and Benediction

Thurs 19th 10am Jessica Moore R.I.P.

Fri 20th 10am Hildegard Mayhew R.I.P.

Sat 21st 10am Edward Moran R.I.P.

Sat 21st 6pm

Confessions: Saturdays: 10:30—11am St. John Vianney. Or by appointment



In your prayers, please remember all who have died recently especially Anne Buckley, Stephen Smith, John Sabota, Dot Armstrong, Jeroen Visser, Michael Purcell, Michael Vaughan, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time - Peter Shaw, Margaret Wilson, Elizabeth Wright, May Knight, Elga

Moran, Ernest Popkiss, June Woollard, Charles Boyle, Noreen Aymes, Moira Foxon, Agnes Durr, Evelyn Tuckey, Brenda England, Mervyn Thomas, Lucy Soanes, John Hughes, Maria Bradshaw, Kitty Connolly. Also pray for all who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Joelle McGowran, June Toley, Richard and Pat Taylor, Monique Regan, Cathy Longworth, Nancy Walsh, Mary and Desmond McNichol, Richard Heron, Jessica Buist, Ann Cole, Maureen Hendricks, Margaret Joyce, Sue Maher, Gloria Allen, Pam Morgan and all those suffering at this time. Please contact the office if you would like someone to be added to our sick list.

Collections Thank You

If you would like to continue supporting the Church your weekly/ monthly offering can be made online using this name and account number:

CDP Wantage St John Vianney

Please remember that you can always drop your donation into the Presbytery letterbox. Same Account for Wantage and Lambourn.



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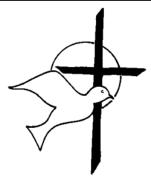
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Year C Trinity Sunday 15th June 2025



Mysteries of Faith

In Jesus' farewell to his disciples he says, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."

It is clear that Jesus is teaching his disciples in stages. Like every good teacher, Jesus knows that we can only digest so much information at a time. The original disciples had to learn to walk before they could run, and

that goes for us too.

We are all at different stages in our journey of faith, but that journey should never become static. "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now." Jesus implies that we will be ready to learn more at some future date and he is leaving us the Spirit of truth to guide us towards revelation.

In the face of great mysteries, it is tempting to give up and leave theology to the great academics; but we are reminded that God has revealed truth to all sorts of people from small children to acclaimed philosophers, and from simple fishermen to learned theologians.

God is a sympathetic teacher, but we have to play our part and be willing students. As adults it isn't good enough to rely on the faith we developed at school. There was nothing wrong with the faith were given as youngsters of course, but it's time to develop our thinking and stretch our understanding.

In an age of improved communications, discussion groups, television, competitive publishing and the internet, there's not much excuse for us to cease growing in intellect or spirituality.

Pope Leo's Prayer intention for June - That the world might grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

Join us for refreshments in the hall after 9am Mass on Sunday

Please act today: Final Assisted Suicide Bill Vote this Friday Your MP's final vote on the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill is this Friday 20th June. If passed on Friday, this Bill cannot be undone and many vulnerable people will die as a result. Please, your MP needs to hear from you today. Many MPs are wavering, and your opinion can truly make a difference in defeating this Bill. Please do not leave it to others. With just 3 clicks, petition/ write to your MP today via: prolifecommunityoxford.org.uk/bill Or add your name to the petition in the porch.

Food Bank Volunteers needed - Do you have some spare time to join a fortnightly rota to help pack and distribute food parcels? If so Wantage and Grove Food Bank would welcome your enquiry. More information can be found at: www.wantageandgrovefoodbank.org.uk.

Please pray for our six young candidates who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday 29th June at 9am Mass.



'What's wrong with the world and how to fix it: Education as soul care'. A talk given by Dr Jan Bentz on Friday 27th June at 7.45pm at Blessed Hugh Church Faringdon. Entry is free, but if you would like to join in a fish supper prior to the talk, at 7pm, cost is £13 pp, please email your booking to pbhf.bucklandandfaringdon@gmail.com

Holy Hour of Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration St. John Vianney Wednesday Evening 7–8pm

Scripture Study

An in-depth look at the weekend's Readings Tuesday 7-7:30pm on Zoom

Safeguarding Notice - Children should be accompanied by a parent when using the toilets at Church. This is for their own safety. Thank you for your cooperation.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) - If you know of anyone who needs support, if you have friends or relatives who would like a visit, you can make contact through the parish office.

Donations to SVP can be made to this account: Sort Code 60-60-04 ac no. 48001074 or on the card machine. Thank you for your support.



The Second Collection this weekend is for Day For Life—dedicated to celebrating and upholding the dignity of human life by raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. This year's theme, 'Finding Meaning in Suffering — Hope Does Not Disappoint', draws on St Paul's words in Romans 5:5-6, reminding us that Christian hope is not mere optimism, but an unshakeable trust in God's presence — even amid the darkest trials of illness, grief, or emotional pain.

Donations can be made in the basket at the back of Church, by card on the Dona machine or by bank transfer using the ref *Day for Life*.

The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. June is traditionally the month when Catholics are urged to show special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacred Heart is the symbol of the eternal love by which "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son". (Jn 3:16)



Children's Liturgy - If you would like to consider joining the team of people who prepare and help at Children's Liturgy, there will be an informal meeting of leaders and helpers this Sunday (15th) during teas/coffees in the hall after 9am Mass.

WeBelieve—Festival of Catholic Faith 25th – 28th July St. Mary's College Oscott.

We have a hope in Jesus. WeBelieve is a Festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope. This July, we are gathering the whole Church to celebrate our faith in Jesus. WeBelieve is a project created and funded by The Guild of Our Lady of Ransom in collaboration with St Mary's College, Oscott. For more information visit: www.webelievefestival.com

Office Hours—Tuesday11am to 1:30pm. Thursday and Friday 11am to 2:30pm. Please email any items for the newsletter to the office by 1:30 pm on Thursday.

Important Contacts.

Hospital / Home visits. Sick Communion,

If you are sick or going into hospital and would like a visit or Holy Communion, call the office on **01235 762374**

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Barbara Jarrett 07427181090 Ann Strickland is the contact for Lambourn

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Baptisms and other Sacraments—Firstly, speak to Fr. David after Mass on any Sunday email wantage@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk **Other Priests in the area:**

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