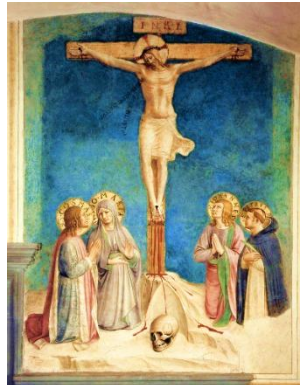


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*Vexilla Regis prodeunt:
 Fulget Crucis mysterium,
 Qua vita mortem pertulit,
 Et morte vitam protulit.*



The royal banners forward go:
 The Cross shines forth in mystic glow,
 Upon it Life did death endure
 And yet by death did life procure.

Services for the Twenty-fourth Week of Ordinary Time (OF) – 14th after Pentecost (EF)
14th – 20th September 2025
September – The Month of the Holy Angels

Saturday 13th September, *Vigil of Sunday*

Confessions, 5.15 pm
 Holy Mass, 6.00 pm

Toinette Denis RIP

Sunday 14th September, *The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (OF, EF)*

Holy Mass, 8.00 am
 Solemn Mass, 10.30 am

The People of the Parish
 Private Intention

Monday 15th September, *Our Lady of Sorrows (OF, EF)*

Holy Mass, 9.30 am

Constance Byrne

Tuesday 16th September, *SS. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (OF, EF)*

Holy Mass, 9.30 am

Deacon Paul Hirons

Wednesday 17th September, *St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (OF) – Feria (EF)*

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)

Deceased Members of Charles-Edwards
 Family

Thursday 18th September, *Feria (OF) – St Joseph of Cupertino, Confessor (EF)*

Holy Mass, 9.30 am

Philomena Knox RIP

NB: Holy Hour cancelled this week only

Friday 19th September, *St Januarius, Bishop & Martyr (OF, EF)*

Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)

Claire Harrington

Saturday 20th September, *The Martyrs of Korea (OF) – Our Lady on Saturday (EF)*

Holy Mass, 9.30 am
 Holy Hour & Confessions, 10.00 - 11.00 am, Benediction, 11.00 am

Private Intention

Saturday 20th September, *Vigil of Sunday*

Confessions, 5.15 pm
 Holy Mass, 6.00 pm

The Duggan Family

Sunday 21st September, *Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (OF) – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (EF)*

Holy Mass, 8.00 am
 Solemn Mass, 10.30 am
 Holy Mass, 12.00 noon (Extraord. Form)

The People of the Parish
 Mrs Josepha RIP & Fr Chris RIP
 Family Strength (KB)

Father John writes:

**Second Collection this weekend:
Catholic Evangelization (CASE)**

This Tuesday: Coffee Morning

The next of our regular coffee mornings will be after the 9.30 Mass this **Tuesday, 16th September**. The aim is to meet every other Tuesday for a friendly catch-up with fellow Mass-goers. Feel free to join us in the Glass Room whenever you're able!

Advance Notice: Second Collections

28th September: Fr Hudson's Society

5th October: Cafod

19th October: APF World Missions

Advance Notice: Talks for Cafod

At the end of all Sunday Masses of 27th and 28th September, Thomas Charles-Edwards will speak to us about the work of Cafod and the special theme of this year's Cafod Family Fast Day collection. The Fast Day is Friday 3rd October.

September: The Month of the Holy Angels

September is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Angels. You might like to begin to say each morning, this month and always, this prayer to your guardian angel, asking for his protection: **Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.**

Breaking News: Assisted Suicide Bill Debate

Catherine Robinson of *Right to Life* has sent us this update: "At 10am [on Friday 12th], the House of Lords [began] the Second Reading of the Leadbeater Assisted Suicide Bill. Over 200 Peers - a parliamentary record - had put their names down to speak at Second Reading. Given this incredibly high number, a second day of Second Reading has now been added, which is scheduled for next Friday (19th September). Although no vote is typically held at Second Reading in the House of Lords, [Friday's debate] will be crucial in determining the direction the Lords will take on this Bill." So please keep up your prayers for Parliament's definitive rejection of this evil proposal.

40 Days for Life: Kick-off Event

40 Days for Life is an international campaign to end abortion and to offer an alternative to women seeking it, from 24th September – 2nd November. We invite you to attend the Kick-off event, which will be at the Café Neri of the Oxford Oratory, on the 20th September at 7.30 pm. featuring the personal testimony of Amrita, Ann Widdecombe, and the perspective of Robert Calquhoun, who has been at the forefront of prolife work for many years.

Oxford Pro-Life Community Launch.

Saturday 20th September, 10-1pm at St Anthony of Padua Church Hall (next to the JR, OX3 7SS). A fun and enjoyable morning to meet like-minded people and find your pro-life niche. Child & family-friendly. Free parking. Refreshments.

Email Ed/Jo ox.prolife@gmail.com or visit <https://oxfordprolife.org.uk/> for more info.

Reverts Anonymous

If you have members of your own families who have lapsed, please mention *Reverts Anonymous* to them. For the

next few weeks, with the assistance of other priests, I am encouraging lapsed Catholics to make contact so that we can help them return to the truth, grace, and joy of Jesus in the teaching and Sacraments of His Church. There will be no group meetings, only one-to-one conversations in a quiet and confidential setting. Anyone interested can send an email to fr.john.saward@rcaob.org.uk

Mass Intentions

Asking for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be offered for anyone, living or dead, is a beautiful and powerful act of faith, hope, and charity. If you would like a Holy Mass offered, please use one of the little brown envelopes in the narthex, fill in the details, add your offering, and return through the Presbytery letter-box or collection plate.

Presbytery Roof

Work on the Presbytery roof will continue for the next couple of weeks. Please continue to take care as you pass by the scaffolding on the way to the Glass Room.

Food Larder

Great thanks to all those who are contributing items each week. **Please** continue to donate dry goods and toiletries using the boxes in the narthex and Presbytery porch. Every tin or packet makes a difference. **Toiletry items are always needed.**

Please pray for all persecuted Christians, especially in northern Nigeria.

Please pray for peace in Ukraine, Gaza, and Israel.

Please pray for the sick and housebound

His Majesty The King, HRH The Princess of Wales, Patrick Curran, Anne-Marie, Maureen Dalton, Imogen Davies, Mike Hall, Peter Howell, Aneta Gawrysiak, Joyann Green, Sr. Joseph Andrew OP, Jill Kelly, Emily Long, Elsie Michaud, Fiona McLaren, Alice Murphy, Joy Smith, Anthea Watson, Dennis White, and Fr Michael White.

Please pray for the faithful departed

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed, especially Austin Edgar Andrews, Gianfranco Chiri, Arnaud Mata, Patrick Noel Myles, Margaret Scott Sloss, Paul Tachon, Elfrida Mary Talbot, and Breeda Valadini, whose anniversaries fall at this time.

**+ Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat eis.**

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The Parish of SS Gregory and Augustine is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church.

We work closely with the Archdiocese of Birmingham Safeguarding Team to create a safe environment for children, young people, and adults at risk.

Our Safeguarding Officer is Claire Harrington, sg.stgregory-staugustine.Oxford@rcaob.org.uk. For further information please click on <https://www.ssgregoryandaugustine.org/safeguarding>

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