

**St Francis de Sales Church**  
**Warren Lodge, Warren Road, Wash**  
**Common, Newbury RG14 6NH**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Priory Road,**  
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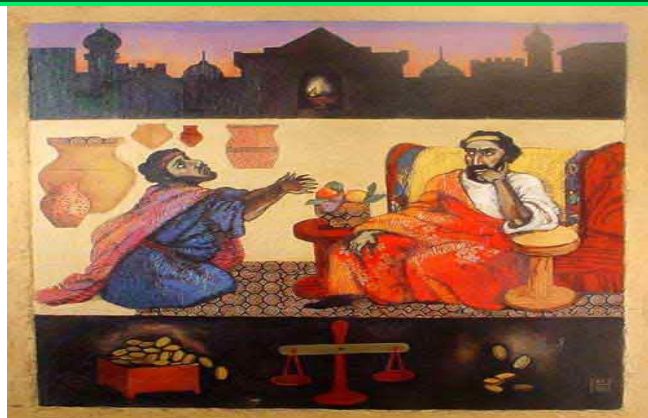
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**Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes**

**TWENTY- FOURTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME - Year A**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat 12 Sept	6:00 pm	St F	<b>Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time</b>	Margret Peck RIP
Sun 13 Sept	9:00 am	OLOL		Keiran Byrne's 9 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
	11:00 am	St F		
Mon 14 Sept			<b>THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, feast</b>	Martin O'Neil RIP
Tues 15 Sept			<b>Our Lady of Sorrows, memorial</b>	
Wed 16 Sept	9:30 am	OLOL	Adoration & Reconciliation Mass	
	10:00 am	OLOL		
Thurs 17 Sept	9:30 am	St F	Adoration & Reconciliation Mass	
	10:00 am	St F		
Fri 18 Sept			Feria	

**TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME - Year A**

Sat 19 Sept	6:00 pm	St F	<b>Twenty-Fifth Week in Ordinary Time</b>	
Sun 20 Sept	9:00 am	OLOL		Margaret McQuitty RIP
	11:00 am	St F		

**Arrangements for this Sunday's mass**

**Please arrive early for mass to allow for the following considerations:**

Please follow the directions of the stewards at all times

Because we are unable to adhere to the 2m distance guidelines the wearing of a face covering for the congregation is compulsory.

The Bishops of England and Wales have said there should be no congregational singing at Mass (although we are allowed to have a single cantor)

... and the spoken responses we make during mass should not be in a raised voice

Communion will be given silently and in the hand only, and you should stand to receive the host. Please respect this for the safety of the priest and all parishioners.

Holy Communion - please extend your arms fully so there is a good distance between you and Fr Zbigniew.

Your hands should be palms upwards, one of top of the other, and should be extended as flatly as possible.

At the end of mass please wait until directed to leave by the stewards so that we can maintain social distancing.

## **MATHEW 18:21-35**

Jesus' fourth great speech in the Gospel of Matthew, found in chapter 18 of the gospel, is the 'community discourse'. The final section of this speech is the lengthy parable of the unforgiving debtor, which is provoked by Peter's question about forgiveness.

What does it mean to forgive? The saying 'forgive and forget' is easily spoken but so difficult to implement. Many people feel confused by it. If someone has inflicted a profound wrong it is virtually impossible for the victim to forget, nor should he or she be expected to. But what about forgiving? Forgiving does not mean dismissing the evil committed or the hurt suffered. It is about not requiring a pay-back from the perpetrator, some kind of retribution, but rather seeking his or her forgiveness and healing. This is the hard challenge to follow Jesus in forgiving as he forgave as he hung on the cross. It is the challenge to behave not as human beings do but in imitation of the very mercy of God.

Father Adrian Graffy

### **Pope's Intention for September**

**Respect for the Planet's Resources**

**We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner**

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

***This coming Friday the 18th we will welcome into the Church a further three of our RCIA Candidates.***

***Please pray for Arthur, Felicity and Holly as they prepare for their reception into our communities***

**Parish Administrator: Yvonne Eaton**  
**The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm.**

**If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for Courtney Andrews, Anton Barber, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Maria Hall, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Clare Huckle, Victoria Kilkenny, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Deidre McNair Wilson, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.**

**SAFEGUARDING:** If you have any safeguarding concerns re a child or vulnerable adult please contact Maureen Hudd, Parish Safeguarding Representative on 07880 730691.

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**Room needed - can you help?** Spanish female looking to rent a room in a shared house or family, required by the end of September. Ideally within walking distance of St Gabriel's School. Please contact [mmartinbo97@hotmail.com](mailto:mmartinbo97@hotmail.com) or speak to Lucy Tyler for more information.

**If you would like to contribute to the Sunday collection then you can do this online or by Standing Order. There are collection baskets by the entrance and both exits if you prefer to give cash.**

**If you are at all concerned that you might have developed COVID-19 after visiting the church please contact the relevant NHS authority and let the Parish Office know ASAP**