

INTERCESSIONS Please pray for the long term sick and those in special need, among them:

Holly Ryan, Wendy Webb, Ann-Marie and Andy, David Games, Daniel Argov, Abigail, Melanie, Dan, Angela, Anna and Phoenix, Philip, Chris, Lewis, Timothy, Ilona Zimon, Steven Wiltshire, Jenny Hey, Julie, Michael, Sara Ali, John Cuff, Sue Goodall, Alex Underwood, Janet Semper, Peter Parsons, Richard Gurney, Brian, Ray Hey, Freddie Harrison, Jonathan

ORDINANDS at Petertide Please pray for all to be ordained deacon or priest at Petertide, among them Peter Day, Martin Henig, Ben Williams, Suzanne Hosking, Charlotte Ballinger

PETER DAY will be ordained deacon by the bishop of Oxford at Christ Church Cathedral on Saturday 3rd July at 2pm. Please pray for him, for Holly, and for the parish of Wokingham where Peter is to serve.

MARTIN HENIG will be ordained deacon by the bishop of Oxford at Christ Church Cathedral earlier on the same day, at 10am. Please pray for Martin, and for the parishes of Ss Peter and Paul Botley, St Frideswide and St Margarets Binsey, where Martin will serve.

CORPUS CHRISTI is kept this year on Thursday 3rd June. Said Mass at 12.15pm, and at 7:30pm High Mass with Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Solemn Benediction. Do come and share in this important and dramatic celebration.

GIANTS OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT A study morning on the early Christian thinker Irenaeus of Lyons will take place in church on Saturday 5 June from 10am (coffee from 9:45am), led by the Revd Dr Teresa Morgan, Fellow of Oriol College.

VICARAGE TEA The next vicarage tea will take place on Wednesday 23rd June at 3:30pm at 15 Beaumont Street. All are most warmly invited. Further details will follow nearer the time.

BRABANT ENSEMBLE CONCERT Saturday 5 June, 8pm in Mary Mags. The Brabant Ensemble directed by Stephen Rice presents 'Penitence and Prophecy': works by Clemens non Papa and Lassus. Tickets may be reserved by speaking directly to Stephen, or from Tickets Oxford. Prices are £12 full, £10 concessions, £5 students. A new CD by The Brabant Ensemble is also available from Stephen, featuring works by Pierre Moulu. Price £10.

LATIN VESPERS Latin Vespers of the medieval office of Corpus Christi, Wednesday, 2nd June (6th week), 9 p.m, Worcester College Chapel. Several of our congregation are involved, and all are welcome to attend.

OXFORD YOUTH THEATRE PERFORMS AT MARY MAGS
16\22 Summer Showcase: Oxford Playhouses Young Company, Friday 18th & Saturday 19th June 7.30pm. A colourful celebration of Oxford's history and fresh interpretations of the City's heritage. Performed within the tranquil and inspiring setting of St. Mary Magdalen Church, come and enjoy a showcase of diverse and original pieces from Oxford Playhouse's resident young company. Tickets: £5 only available from Oxford Playhouse Box Office 01865 305 305 or online www.oxfordplayhouse.com

SUMMER EVENSONG AT ROUSHAM Members of St Mary Magdalen's are warmly invited to the beautiful village church of Rousham, where Fr Richard is priest in charge, for a special summer Evensong on Sunday 20th June at 6:15pm. The service will be followed by refreshments.

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

On Sunday 25th July, we celebrate our Patronal Festival. The preacher at the High Mass will be the Right Revd Christopher Chessun, Bishop of Woolwich, and newly appointed Bishop for Urban Life and Faith. Fr Christopher was an ordinand from St Mary Magdalen's during the ministry of Fr Charles Smith, and has maintained close links with the parish ever since.

Lunch will follow in the University Club in Mansfield Road. Tickets will be on sale after the High Mass for the three preceding Sundays. We shall be catering our own lunch, and will be able to offer tickets at a very reasonable price. In order to make the event the success it ought to be, we will also need people to donate time and energy both before and afterwards. Volunteers are needed to help with setting up on the Sunday morning before mass, to assist with serving food, and with clearing up. Please speak to Rachel Elliott if you can help There are three disabled parking spaces available for us on the day—if you would like one, speak to Fr Peter.

THE NEW PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL met for the first time on Wednesday 19th May in the Vicarage. The Clergy, wardens and other church council members are always pleased to receive feedback from the congregation about our worship or any matters affecting the ministry of the parish. Since the PCC has some new faces, it seems opportune to list its membership in full:

Fr Peter Groves, Sr Margaret Anne, Patrick Boyd-Maunsell, Robert Simpson, Brian Stewart, Susan Purver, Joyce Day, Ruth Wynne-Davies, Christopher Johnson, Peter McCullough, Helen Todd, Paul Atyeo, Jennifer Stewart, Santha Bhattacharji, Imogen Black, Veronica Ellis, Melanie Marshall, Simon Cuff, Rachel Elliott, Sarah Apetrei, Paul Thomas.

If any of these people are unfamiliar to you, please ask someone for an introduction. PCC members will be taking it upon themselves to make sure they meet and talk to as many members of the church, especially relative newcomers, as they can.

The PCC meets again on Tuesday 29th June at 7:30pm in the Vicarage.

ST GILES FAIR Looking ahead to St Giles Fair, it would be helpful if people could bring in any slightly more valuable items for the fair within the next few weeks. This is because Mallam's auction items for St.Mary Mags free of commission, and a couple of sales are coming up in July: things like small items of jewellery, old books etc., also the price of gold is very high at the moment. Please pass on any such items to Ruth Wynne-Davies who will make sure they are viewed and valued experts.

SUNG MASS OF THE SACRED HEART Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite will be celebrated at St Thomas the Martyr (Becket St, near the railway station) on Saturday June 12 6.00 p.m. Contact: Fr John Hunwicke SSC, 28, St Thomas Street, Oxford, OX1 1JL, 01865 246050, pp@thomasthemartyr.org.uk All are most welcome to attend.

SUNDAY CELEBRANTS June's celebrants are as follows:

Sunday 6th June

8am Fr Peter Groves; 10:30am Sr Margaret Anne; 5:30pm Fr Jay Wilson

Sunday 13th June

8am Fr Richard Smail; 10:30am Fr Peter Groves 5:30pm Fr Jay Wilson

Sunday 20th June

8am 10:30am, Fr Peter Groves; 5:30pm Fr Jay Wilson

Sunday 27th June

8am Fr Richard Smail, 10:30am Fr Peter Groves, 5:30pm Fr Jay Wilson

THE CHURCH COMMISSIONERS have recently published their annual report, and have produced the following short article to be published in parish bulletins and magazines, to explain their work.

The Church Commissioners manage £4.8 billion of investments held in UK and global company shares and property. They contribute around 16p in the pound—£193 million in 2009—towards the Church's running costs of £1.2 billion per year. More than three-quarters of the Church's income comes from parishes and dioceses, largely from parishioners' giving.

The Commissioners' mission is 'to support the Church of England's ministry, particularly in areas of need and opportunity'. Their spending in 2009 includes:

—all clergy pensions earned before 1998: £111.0 million in 2009

—supporting ministry in areas of need and opportunity: £42.0 million in 2009, mostly targeted on the neediest dioceses and representing a steady real-terms increase in the last 10 years; this includes £34 million since 2002 specifically to support parishes' imaginative mission work and tying in with the church's fresh expression agenda.

—serving the church's leaders in mission by funding bishops' stipends, working costs and (for diocesan bishops) houses: £26.6 million.

—supporting the work and ministry of cathedrals: £7.4 million, targeted on those most in need.

—handling the legal side of pastoral re-organisation: reshaping parish boundaries, and settling the future of closed churches with a view to returning them to other community use.

—administrative costs including support for church buildings and other church bodies: £5.6 million.

In further support for the Church's mission, the Commissioners are earmarking £7.25 million for investment in areas of new housing and other developments. This money has been allocated between 15 dioceses facing significant challenges and opportunities. £1.2 million of this sum was distributed in 2009.

Asset performance

2009 saw significant market recovery compared with 2008, and the Commissioners' fund returned 15.6%. This was ahead of the 15.1% averaged by comparable funds last year. Over the past ten years the average total return on the Commissioners' assets has been 5.1% per year, well above the 3.1% average for comparable funds, with thanks largely to the performance of property over the decade.

In today's terms this performance has produced £31 million more for the Church each year than if it had been only at the industry average. This has helped their funding of clergy pensions and has allowed other distributions to rise in line with average earnings.

Conditions remain volatile and some caution is necessary. For several years the Commissioners have paid out less to dioceses than might have been possible in good years in order to keep funding back to cover leaner years. But they aim for stability in distributions, and support in 2011–13 is planned to match that of 2010.

Sunday Readings

JUNE 6TH:	I Kings 17.17–24	Galatians 1.11–14	Luke 7.11–17
JUNE 13TH:	2 Samuel 12.7–10, 13	Galatians 2.16, 19–21	Luke 7.36–50
JUNE 20TH:	Zechariah 20.10–11	Galatians 3.26–29	Luke 8.26–39
JUNE 27TH:	I Kings 19.16, 19–21	Galatians 5.1, 13–18	Luke 9.51–62



ST MARY MAGDALEN

Services
Sundays : Eucharist at 8 am and 5.30 pm
 Mattins 10 am
 High Mass at 10.30 am
Weekdays : Eucharist at 12.15 pm and 6.00 pm
 Morning Prayer 8.15 am, Evening Prayer 5.40 pm

Confessions

Daily after the 12.15 pm Mass, Wednesdays & Saturdays at 6.30 pm

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Calendar for June 2010

1	Tue	Justin, M	<i>The persecuted church</i>
2	Wed	Feria	<i>John, our Bishop</i>
3	Thur	CORPUS CHRISTI	<i>Thanksgiving for the eucharist</i>
4	Fri	Feria	<i>Rowan, our Archbishop</i>
5	Sat	Boniface, B	<i>The homeless</i>
6	Sun	10TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<i>Parish Community</i>
7	Mon	Feria	<i>Churches Together</i>
8	Tue	Feria	<i>Oxfam</i>
9	Wed	Feria	<i>The PCC</i>
10	Thur	Feria	<i>Children's church</i>
11	Fri	Sacred Heart of Jesus	<i>St Barnabas, Jericho</i>
12	Sat	Feria	<i>Oxford City Council</i>
13	Sun	11TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<i>Parish Community</i>
14	Mon	Feria	<i>The Gatehouse</i>
15	Tue	Feria	<i>Flower arrangers</i>
16	Wed	Richard of Chichester, B: <i>anointing at 6pm</i>	<i>Healing ministry</i>
17	Thur	Feria: <i>anointing at 12.15pm</i>	<i>Oxford's hospitals</i>
18	Fri	Feria	<i>Sacristans and servers</i>
19	Sat	Feria	<i>Choir and musicians</i>
20	Sun	12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<i>Parish community</i>
21	Mon	Aloysius Gonzaga, Rel	<i>Campion Hall</i>
22	Tue	Feria	<i>Religious communities</i>
23	Wed	Feria	<i>Helen & Douglas House</i>
24	Thur	Birth of St John the Baptist	<i>Repentance</i>
25	Fri	Feria	<i>Preachers</i>
26	Sat	Feria	<i>Christ Church Cathedral</i>
27	Sun	13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR	<i>Parish Community</i>
28	Mon	Irenaeus, B, M	<i>Theologians</i>
29	Tue	SS Peter and Paul, Aps	<i>Bishops</i>
30	Wed	Feria	<i>Ordinands</i>
