



St Mary
Magdalen
OXFORD

Parish Notes
July and August 2022

Services:

Sundays

8am, 5.30pm: Said Mass
10.30am: High Mass

Monday to Saturday

12.15pm, 6.00pm: Said Mass

Monday to Friday

8.15am: Morning Prayer
5.40pm: Evening Prayer

Confessions

A priest is available to hear confessions
after the 12.15 Mass.

Other times by appointment with
Fr Peter or Fr Stephen

Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage

By appointment with the Parish Priest

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Events

Patronal Festival

On Sunday 24th July we celebrate the feast of our patron, St Mary Magdalen. The preacher at the High Mass will be the Rt Revd Dr Alan Wilson, the Bishop of Buckingham.

After the High Mass, there will be lunch in church, and tickets are available at £10 each. Please sign up with Veronica Ellis or email admin@stmarymagdalenoxford.org to indicate that you would like to come.

Bible Study

Bible Study continues on Saturday 17th July, from 10.30am – 12noon in church. There will be no meeting on 31st July owing to holiday, and the next gathering will be Saturday the 13th of August. We will be examining the story of Samson in Judges 15 and 16. All are welcome, and no previous participation is necessary.

Ember list

Please pray for all those ordained at Petertide, among them Esther, Luke, Matthew, Joanna, Henry, and Sam, ordained priest, and Jonathan, Francesca, Hugh, Jen, Tatiana, Matthew, ordained deacon.

Parochial Church Council

The PCC meets in church on Tuesday 12 July at 7.30pm.

Notices

Choral Evensong, 9 July

Alison Coldstream is stepping down from the choir after more than twenty years' dedicated service. There will be a special service of choral evensong in church on Saturday 9th of July at 4.30pm. At this service we are delighted to welcome back many of our former singers, who are returning for this special occasion. Please come along if you can. (There will be no 6pm mass that day.)

Fr Stephen Hearn

Congratulations to Fr Stephen on his appointment as Associate Priest and School Chaplain at Marylebone Parish Church. He will preach his final sermon for us on 17th July, and we will say a formal farewell at the Patronal Festival on Sunday 24th July.

Dr Bethany Sollereeder

Bethany is leaving Oxford to take up a post as University Lecturer in Science and Religion in the Faculty of Divinity at the University of Edinburgh. We congratulate Bethany on obtaining this prestigious post, but we will be very sorry to lose her from Oxford. She will be hosting an informal farewell party at the Perch on Sunday 10th July from 3-6pm. We will say farewell to her as a church at the Patronal Festival on Sunday 24th.

Muriel's Day and Fundraising

A message from Nigel Speight

In my 14 years at MMs, everyone has always been brilliant at pulling together. Now, here we go again with three events in the first two weeks of September.

First, apologies that I am not in church as much as I would like to be just now, which makes liaising more tricky. But I am still here. My numbers are 075216 50623 and 01865 246697 and email nigespeight@gmail.com.

Background

Last year we cobbled together Muriel's Day in less than two months. I attach the flyer we used in case you never knew the inspirational Muriel Hunt. It attracted abseilers from everywhere in no time at all and the event raised over £8k for various charities including Mary Mags. We tried something new too in that abseilers could raise funds for us and a charity of their choice for the first time.

The only bugbear was Just Giving because they were unable to set up a split donation system to divide sponsorship between ourselves and the charity of each abseiler's choice. Some opted to raise money only for Mary Mags of course and that option remains! We are now switching to **InvestMyCommunity** who are much more flexible, approachable and helpful.

So, we need...

Ride and Striders to raise funds for MMs and the Oxford Historical Churches Trust (who have given us grants of some 17k in recent times, so we owe them). *Children's Church or any parents prepared to walk or cycle around Oxford's churches are especially welcome.*

Open Saturday, September 10th is now a big today for us because it combines the close of the St. Giles Fair sale, Ride and Striders visiting our church and now the Muriel's Day abseil all in one. So, we shall need **folk on the door** for visiting Ride and Striders, **folk to offer refreshments**, **folk to sell stuff** and others to answer questions about the church and generally promote it. 10am-6pm, (two-hour shifts, four-hour shifts or all day) with those on site from 4pm helping to clear the church ready for High Mass the following day.

Abseilers from the MMs community to raise funds for our church on Saturday, September 10th or Sunday 11th. Do have a go – it's completely safe and good fun.

People to help organise books ahead of the St. Giles Fair on Thursday, September 1st

People to help sorting the stuff for sale after High Mass on Sunday, September 4th – we normally finish by mid-afternoon.

People to help run the sale 9am to 5pm Monday and Tuesday, September 5th and 6th (two-hour shifts, four-hour shifts or all day)

Everyone to encourage or seek out donations to be stored in church ahead of the sale – books, clothes, jewellery, DVDs/CDs, jams, cakes, plants, bric-a-brac, kitchenware (not knives) - anything non-electrical that is legal, really. Contact me if collection is needed.

Help setting up a Muriel's Day website. Muriel's family have promised to provide material with this, and my stepson Steve Cook is a website designer whom I shall pay. Ideally, I would like to work with two or three other people on this, editing and uploading text, stories and photos.

Help promoting all this on social media.

The future...

If we can make Muriel's Day 2 work well, we may have a template from which others can benefit. Muriel's family are happy with this idea and so are Adventure Plus who operate abseils for us,

Don't ask much, do I? If you are looking forward to helping with any **(or all!)** of these things, please let me know asap, even if it is just for one two-hour shift on one day. All of these things are of course a great opportunity just to mix with each other.

Nigel.

Intercessions

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

Jo Laity, Sr Mary Bernard, Sophie Brown, Pamela Rogers, Sophie, Adrian, Ann, Alison, Johanna Merz, Maggie, Michael, Diana Arkwright, Gordon Scott, Michael Starford, Helen Bell, Jenny, Gladys Bushell, Beryl Dryden, Susan Barnes, Roy Dicker, John O'Leary, Jennifer Larcombe, Bob Guthrie, Eleanor Jamison.

Sunday readings

Sunday 3rd July: Isaiah 66:10-14c; Galatians 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Sunday 10th July: Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

Sunday 17th July: Genesis 18:1-10a; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

Sunday 24th July: Song of Songs 3.1-4; 2 Corinthians 5.14-17; John 20.1-2, 11-18

Sunday 31st July: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-1; Luke 12:13-21

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Feria	2 Feria
					Steven our Bishop	Requiem
3 14th Sunday of the Year	4 Feria	5 Feria	6 John Fisher & Thomas More Ms	7 Feria	8 Feria	9 Feria
Parish community	Those newly ordained	Helen and Douglas House	The persecuted church	The Gatehouse	Sacristans and Servers	Bishops
10 15th Sunday of the Year	11 Benedict, Ab	12 Feria	13 Feria: anointing 6pm	14 Feria: anointing 12.15pm	15 Bonaventure, B, Dr	16 Feria
Parish Community	Religious communities	The PCC	Healing ministry	Keble College	Theologians	Peace in Ukraine
17 16th Sunday of the Year	18 Feria	19 Feria	20 Feria	21 Feria	22 Mary Magdalen	23 Bridget
Parish Community	Churches Together	The homeless	Oxford's hospitals	Penitence	Our Church and Parish	Europe
24 Patronal Festival	25 James, Ap	26 Anne and Joachim	27 Feria	28 Feria	29 Martha, Mary and Lazarus	30 Feria
Parish Community	Pilgrims	Parents	Vocations	Famine Relief	The bereaved	Family life
31 18th Sunday of the Year						
Parish Community						