



ST. GREGORY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saturday 24th/Sunday 25th February 2024

2nd Sunday of Lent - Year B



EACH YEAR on the Second Sunday of Lent, the Church puts before us the Transfiguration of Jesus. The experience on Mount Tabor had a great significance, first of all for Jesus Himself. It came at a

crucial moment in His public life - the start of His journey to Jerusalem and to His Passion and Death.

The experience was also of great importance to the three apostles; Peter, James and John as they heard the words "This is My Son, the Chosen One, listen to Him." It confirmed their faith in Jesus and helped them face the dark future without Him.

Let us pray that we never grow faint on our journey but have the courage to persevere in faith and love.

MASSES WILL BE SAID FOR

Monday 26 th	Robert Swan
Wednesday 28 th	Tom & Cath Harrison
Friday 1 st March	George Richardson
Saturday 2 nd	Sick & Housebound of the Parish
Sunday 3 rd	Clifford Mavishart

On Thursday 29th February at 12.30 p.m. there will be a Funeral Service for Martin Haythornthwaite

DAY OF RENEWAL

Saturday 2nd March from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. in St. Clare's Church Hall, starting with Mass at 10.00 a.m. The day will be led by Gary Stevens (leader of the Prince of Peace community). Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

FOOD BANK APPEAL

Please continue to bring in items for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Anything you can give will be taken to them. There are boxes at the back of church.

Lenten Schedule

Mass will continue to be said at 6.30 p.m. Saturday and 10.00 a.m. Sunday with Weekday Masses at 10.15 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

- On Fridays during Lent; 8th, 15th, 22nd March, there will be Stations of the Cross immediately after our 10.15 a.m. Mass.
- Friday 23rd February was CAFOD Family Fast Day. Please return all envelopes as soon as possible.
- On Friday next 1st March, our Parish Mass will be at 12.00 noon followed by a Lenten Lunch in the Parish House - £1.00 for a bowl of soup and a bread roll. All proceeds will go to CAFOD.
- On Tuesday 5th March at 7.00 p.m. there will be a talk with prayer and meditation in the Children's Liturgy room, given by Theresa Swan, reflecting on the Healing Oils of the Bible and how they played a part in the life of Jesus - oils that are still used today for prayer and healing. All are welcome.
- There will be a Taizé evening in church at a date to be arranged.

MASS INTENTIONS

Robert Swan, Special Intention, Clifford Mavishart, Martin Haythornthwaite, Frank Jeffrey, Tom & Cath Harrison, The Holy Souls and George Richardson.

CAKE STALL

There will be a Cake Sale for parish funds after the 10.00 a.m. Mass today. Tea and coffee will be served so why not stay and have a piece of cake and a chat?

LITTER PICK

The next date is Sunday 3rd March after the 10.00 a.m. Mass. All welcome.

MASS ATTENDANCES

Saturday 17 th February	6.30 p.m.	33
Sunday 18 th February	10.00 a.m.	115

COLLECTIONS

	£
Collection Last Week	569.43

If you prefer to sign a Standing Order or undertake a Bank Transfer, please use the following details:

A/c Name: Parish of St. Gregory, Preston

A/c No: 81335332

Sort Code: 40-27-02

Please make sure you add your name to the payment, especially if you are a Gift Aider in order that we can claim back the tax.

FEAST NEXT WEEK

Friday 1st March St. David, Patron Saint of Wales

POSTAGE STAMPS COLLECTION

A parcel of used stamps has been sent to CAFOD. Thank you everyone and please continue to bring used stamps to church, ensuring there is a border round the stamp.

YOUNG PEOPLE

ARE YOU 18-35? Interested in: prayer, nature and meeting people?

You are invited to a Young Adults Group to re-encounter with yourself, with each other, and nature.

Sunday 3rd March, after the 10.00 a.m. Mass here at St Gregory's.

Whether From this parish or not, ALL WELCOME!!

RWANDA GROUP TRUST

The latest Newsletter is available on the table at the back of church. Please take a copy.

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Monday	Daniel 9 vv 9-10	Luke 6 vv 36-38
Tuesday	Isaiah 1 vv 10, 16-20	Matthew 23 vv 1-12
Wednesday	Jeremiah 18 vv 18-20	Matthew 20 vv 17-28
Thursday	Jeremiah 17 vv 5-10	Matthew 16 vv 19-31
Friday	St. David	
	Paul/Philippians 3 vv 8-14	Matthew 5 vv 13-16
Saturday	Micah 7 vv 14-15, 18-20	Luke 15 vv 1-5, 11-32
	3rd Sunday in Lent	
	Exodus 20 vv 1-17	Paul/Corinthians 1 vv 22-25
	John 2 vv 13-25	



YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

for Sam Dowd, Jackie Lyons, Donald & Ingrid Whiles, Michelle Riley, Raine Tallon, Gerard Renaudin, Rudolph Carlisle, Members of the Wood and

Madden Families, John Allen. Maureen Sharrock, Harry Oulton, John Monty Black, Martin Gee, Cynthia Maguire, Margaret Nuttall, Agnes Partington, Teresa Durnian, Agnes Jordan, John Griffin, Rachel Warnock and all who are sick.

For the housebound and those in hospital.

For carers and all who are anxious for the health of their loved ones.

For the relief, comfort and solace of all refugees and the homeless.

For missionaries and for all victims of strife and terrorism.

For peace in all the troubled areas of our world.

For our clergy and all our parishioners.

For all who are battling the Coronavirus and those risking their own lives and safety to care for them.

Our Lady, our Mother, comfort of the afflicted, pray for them.

For all who have died recently, especially Martin Haythornthwaite and Frank Jeffrey; for Tom & Cath Harrison, George Richardson and all others whose anniversaries occur about this time and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY - LENTEN APPEAL

This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today using the envelope or online at cafod.org.uk and please join us in praying with James that our brothers and sisters around the world have what they need to feed their families.

CASTLERIGG NEWS

- EASTER RETREAT** from Maundy Thursday to Easter Sunday, 28th to 31st March; a chance to journey together through Easter, have fun and make friends. Cost: £85. If cost is an obstacle, get in touch, we can probably help. <https://lancasteryouthservice.churchsuite.com/events/6auis4pf>
- CASTLERIGG LOTTERY:** £3 per ticket. Draw at start of each month; winner takes half. <https://lancasteryouthservice.churchsuite.com/donate/fund/sdvlkexn>