

ST. GREGORY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saturday 11th/Sunday 12th November 2023 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - Remembrance Sunday

LIFE IS NOT A JOURNEY TO NOWHERE - it is a journey to the promised land of Eternal Life. This hope rests, mot on any human thinking but on the Word and the Power of God. God made this promise to us through His Son, Jesus Christ.

"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have Eternal Life."

We should, therefore, treasure life by clinging to it, trusting in God that in due time our life's journey will lead us to Eternal Life with God, our Father in the Heavenly home prepared for us.

"Almighty and ever-living God, You support us all the day long; till the shadows lengthen and evening falls; the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, in Your mercy, Lord, give us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at last."

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

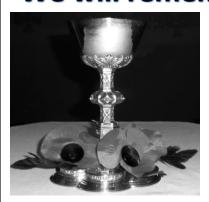
"The hope of the Poor shall not perish for ever" (Psalm 9:19)

NEXT SUNDAY is "World Day of the Poor". Our focus will be on helping to maintain the dignity of men, women and children most in need and living on the margins of life in our society.

If you would like to support this day, please place anything you wish to donate, especially men's, women's and children's toiletries - in the Food Bank box at the back of church.

DURING NOVEMBER, The 'Book of the Names of the **Dead'** will be placed on a Lectern in the Sanctuary. If you would like to have any deceased relatives or friends prayed for during this month of the Holy Souls and **you have not already written their names in the Book** then please enter them now. They will then be remembered at all our Masses during this month. Mass Intentions/Offerings can be handed in in the usual way.

We will remember them



Peter Melling Joseph Swarbrick John L. Thompson Michael Tomin Francis Wilson Francis Baron
John Cairns
Dennis Delahunt
Cyril Dwyer
Robert Graham
James Hall
Thomas Holden
Thomas A. Holden
John McKerney
Richard N. Moss
Thomas Taylor
Gerald Tipping
Wilfrid Westwell
Robert Yates

This chalice was presented to our parish by the family of Sgt. Thomas Holden and bears all the above names; servicemen from the parish who died in the Second World War. Please pray for them and for all who have lost their lives in conflicts across the world, especially the people in Gaza, Israel and the Ukraine. "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen."

MASSES & SERVICES NEXT WEEK

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

MASSES WILL BE SAID FOR

Monday 13th Sick & Housebound of the Parish Wednesday 15th Worthington Family Friday 17th All Friends, Relations, Parishioners

who have died and all whose names are in our 'Book of the Names of the Dead'

Saturday 18th Rawsthorne Family Sunday 19th Bernadette Benson

ATTENDANCES LAST WEEK

Saturday 4^h November 6.30 p.m. 44 Sunday 5th November 10.00 a.m. 104

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

Offertory £458.69 All Saints £75.30

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.

N.B. Diocesan Missions Mass on Saturday 18th November at Sacred Heart at 11.15 a.m. Names to Deacon Jim.

FEASTS NEXT WEEK

Thursday 16th St. Margaret of Scotland Friday 17th St. Hilda Saturday 18th Dedication of the Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul

LOOKING AHEAD TO CHRISTMAS

Wednesday 13th December: Joint Service of Reconciliation with St. Clare's will take place at St. Gregory's at 7.00 p.m.

Christmas Masses:

4th Sunday of Advent: Saturday 23rd December at 6.30 p.m.

Sunday 24th December at 10.00 a.m.

Christmas Eve: First Mass of Christmas Sunday 24th

December at 6.30 p.m. preceded by Carols

from 6.00 p.m.

Christmas Day: Monday 25th December - Family Mass at

10.00 a.m.

Boxing Day: Tuesday 26th December - Mass at 10.15 a.m.

Please Note:

The Sunday Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent does not fulfil the obligation for Christmas nor does the First Mass of Christmas fulfil the obligation for the 4th Sunday of Advent.

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Wisdom 1 vv 1-7 Monday Luke 17 vv 1-6 Tuesday Wisdom 2 v 23 to 3 v 9 Luke 17 vv 7-10 Wednesday Wisdom 6 vv 1-11 Luke 17 vv 11-19 Thursday Wisdom 7 v 22 to 8 v 1 Luke 17 vv 20-25 Friday Wisdom 13 vv 1-9 Luke 17 vv 26-37 Saturday Wisdom 18 vv 14-16 and Luke 18 vv 1-8 19 vv 6-9

Sunday 19th November - 33rd Sunday of Year A

Proverbs 31 vv 10-13, 19-20. 30-31 Paul/Thessalonians 5 vv 1-6

Matthew 25 vv 14-30

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 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 Robert Swan; for all 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Josie and Noel McQuiggan (Sunday 26th November), Worthington Family, Rawsthorne Family, Pauline & Geoff Truman, Patrick Fallon and Walter Jones

ST. GREGORY'S '300' CLUB - PARISH DRAW – OCTOBER				
	Prize	Number	Name	
	£50	236	Simon Rawsthorn	For people who
	£30	32	Maria Ormerod	pay monthly
	£10	79	Kath McElhone	om the number
	£10	174	Anthony Mariarty	of weeks,
	£10	98	Sue Hirst	please
	£10	24	Andrew Lea	remember that
	£10	197	Aiden Grogan	every third
	£10	147	Jim Maguire	month is for 5
	£10	281	Anne Spencer	weeks not 4.

A REMINDER

Please continue to bring in food to help the Food Bank at the Salvation Army, especially tea, coffee, sugar, UHT long life milk and meals in a tin also, suitable items for homeless people with no cooking facilities. There are boxes at the back of church.