

CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY

There are envelopes and a collection box at the back of church for your kind donations.

The Appeal will stay open throughout October. Thank you.

If you would like to start a monthly gift to CAFOD online, please go to: cafod.org.uk/fastday.

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST INTENTIONS

All of our Masses during November are traditionally offered for those on the Pious List of Intentions. Forms are available at the back of church, please fill them in and place them in the collection bucket before the beginning of November if possible. Thank you.

ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE - ST GREGORY'S

Each November, we celebrate our Annual Mass of Remembrance at which we remember all those parishioners who have died in the last twelve months. This year, our celebration will be held on **Wednesday 30th November at 7pm**. The names of those who have died in the past year will be read out and a candle will be lighted in their memory.

All are welcome to attend.

PARISH BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

If anybody would like the name of a loved one included in our Parish Book of Remembrance, please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

THE CALL OF CREATION

On the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecologists and animals, the Social Justice Department of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales launched a new edition of its teaching document on the environment – *The Call of Creation*.

First published two decades ago, this new edition is released at the conclusion of the Church's month-long Season of Creation. The document calls for Catholics to 'repair our relationship with God's creation' to address the current ecological crisis. For further information and to read the document, please visit: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk>



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

Sunday 16th October 2022 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 16:00

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REFLECTION

The Gospel this Sunday begins with quite a clear statement that is very relevant for us today; 'Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart.' This is the first of two parables that Jesus tells in Luke 18 about prayer - this first parable is a lesson in persistence in prayer. He tells the story of a woman who goes to a judge seeking justice. She keeps on at him, refusing to give up or give in. In the end he gives up and gives her what she is seeking. Jesus tells us that when we come to God in prayer, we are to have the same courage, strength and perseverance as the woman and that we too are not to give up or give in.

Perhaps in the same way as preparing to run a marathon, a life of prayer takes time, discipline, practise, patience and perseverance - it doesn't just happen by itself. We can talk about prayer, we can read about prayer and we can even watch others pray, but unless we make a start ourselves, we will never learn to pray. As the saying goes, practise make perfect! Sometimes maintaining a regular prayer life can be difficult, even frustrating at times. It can feel as if our prayers are not being heard or answered which can often be disheartening. But Jesus encourages us not to give up or to give in; he simply says to us, keep going, hang in there, I am with you and I am listening to you. So what do we do when we can't pray? Simply pray the prayers we have known since childhood - The Our Father, The Hail Mary and The Rosary.

When we sit or kneel to pray, it is worth remembering that it is God who calls us to pray in the first place. Our decision to pray is our response to that divine and sacred call. Prayer is about our daily relationship with God - it nourishes and strengthens that relationship. Prayer is not just about us talking to God; it also and perhaps more importantly, is about us listening to God. Today and during the coming week, let us ask God to give us that same courage, faith, patience and perseverance as the persistent woman in the gospel and like her may we be confident that God will hear and answer our prayers. May we always approach God with hope and humility and may we pray continually and never lose heart.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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PRAY

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FEAR

RESPECT

WIDOW

JUSTICE

ENEMY

RIGHTS

WORRY

DEATH

FAITH

EARTH



WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 9th October 2022

Gift Aid: **£99.00**

Loose Plate: **£374.89**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

Sincere thanks for your kind and generous weekly donations which go towards the upkeep of the church.

The special collection next week will be for APF World Missions

Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Hugh O'Daly - Paul McBeth - Baby Elmo Allan - Fr Laurence Mayne - Paul Spedding
 Joanna Hardiman - Teresa Abernethy - Angela Helmn - Shirley Langstrath - Margaret Dearden
 Sheila McGeown - Caroline Rigby - Dorothy Fairclough - Paul Eastham - Derek Birchall
 Christine Zawistowicz - Catherine Kathleen Green - Philip Compton - Rona Roberts - Emmy Moss
 Roy Carrington - Paul Gallery

Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and send them comfort from thy holy place. Amen.

Please remember and keep in your prayers all those who have died recently, especially Derek Butler and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 May they rest in peace. Amen.*

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

COVID REQUIREMENTS

The following guidelines from the Archdiocese are now in place:

1. **Face-coverings** are recommended for those attending Sunday Mass who are vulnerable.
2. **Sanitiser** - please sanitise your hands before entering the church.
3. **Ventilation** - with the onset of the recent cold weather, the church doors will now remain closed during Sunday services.
3. **Social Distancing** - there is **no** designated section of the church with social distancing.
3. **Holy Communion** - ministers will cleanse their hands before & after distributing HC.
4. **Holy Communion** under both kinds will **not** be reintroduced at this time.

NB: Please be cautious and do not attend if you have any symptoms.

WRAP UP WARM FOR WINTER APPEAL

A very big thank you from Hollinshead Street United Reform Church for your generous donations of **warm hats, scarves and gloves**. These will be distributed to the homeless, asylum seekers and those less fortunate than ourselves who will be glad of the warmth as the weather turns colder. We will keep the appeal open throughout the winter months but they have told us they are especially desperate for any items that would be suitable for men, especially warm gloves. Items can be left in the church porch or dropped off at the presbytery. Thank you for your continued support.

LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Applications are now open for the annual youth pilgrimage to Lourdes. The pilgrimage which runs from **20th - 29th July 2023** is open to young people aged between 15 and 22. Seven youth coaches will be running from around the Archdiocese and Coach 5 takes young people from the following High Schools/Colleges and their feeder parishes:
 St. Peter's, Orrell, Holy Cross, Chorley, St. Mary's, Leyland, All Hallows, Penwortham
 Cardinal Newman College, Preston & St. John Rigby College, Orrell.

The cost for each young person is £600. If you know any young person who may be interested, please take a leaflet from the back of church. If you have any questions, please contact Ben McMullen, Coach Leader and Deputy Headteacher of All Hallows, Penwortham at: lourdescoach5@hotmail.co.uk

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 16 Oct	9:30am 6:30pm	29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Raymond Walmsley (A) Karen Francis Terence McCarrick (A) John Turner (A)	ST GREGORY'S
SUN 16 Oct	11:00am	29th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Annie Eastham (BR)	ST OSWALD'S
Mon 17 Oct	10:00am	St Ignatius of Antioch	Mary Spedding (BR) John Gilgun (BR)	
Tues 18 Oct	9:15am	St Luke	John Calveley Iain Macdonald	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 19 Oct	8:30am	St Paul of the Cross	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	EXPOSITION 12:00 - 2:00pm
Thur 20 Oct	9:15am		EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	EXPOSITION 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 21 Oct	8:30am 9:15am		EUCHARISTIC SERVICE EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 22 Oct	10:00am	St John Paul II	Joanna Hardiman (S)	
SUN 23 Oct	9:30am 6:30pm	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Jim Parkinson (A) Winnie Walmsley (A) Bernard Marmion	WORLD MISSION DAY ST GREGORY'S
SUN 23 Oct	11:00am	30th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Margaret Mary Ellison	WORLD MISSION DAY ST OSWALD'S