

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If there is anybody whose child goes to a non-catholic school who would like them to make their First Holy Communion, please speak to Fr Graeme after Mass or contact the Parish Office Tel: 01257 262462. Registration starts this week until 9th October.

## MINISTRY OF ACOLYTE

Please remember Michael Hall in your prayers this coming week as he takes another step towards becoming a Deacon when the Ministry of Acolyte is conferred on him.

## PAKISTAN FLOOD APPEAL - 18TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Today there will be a CAFOD appeal for donations to support those affected by the recent floods and devastation in Pakistan. There will be a retiring collection and a box for donations at the back of the church. You can also donate online at: [cafod.org.uk/give](https://cafod.org.uk/give)

## WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES: 25TH SEPT 2022

Next Sunday, the Church will celebrate the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees (WDMR). The theme chosen by the Holy Father this year is **Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees** in which Pope Francis highlights the commitment that we are all called to share in building a future that embraces God's plan, leaving no one behind.

For further information, please visit:

<https://migrants-refugees.va/resource-center/world-day-of-migrants-refugees-2022/>

## AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED (ACN)

Aid to the Church in Need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting the Catholic faithful and other Christians where they are persecuted, oppressed or in need. Each year over 5,000 projects are funded in more than 140 countries around world, helping to support the Church in its mission, and bringing hope and solidarity to millions of people.

Next Sunday at each Mass, Rachel Buckley will talk to us about the work of ACN.

There will also be a sale of religious items and books at the back of the church.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

Sunday 18th September 2022 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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## Part of the ARCHDIOCESE of LIVERPOOL

Registered Charity No: 232709

## Church Office Hours:

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

## Parish Administrator:

Christine Edwards

## Safeguarding Rep:

Edward Brierley

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

w/c 11th September 2022

Gift Aid: **£109.50**

Loose Plate: **£380.21**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

*The special collection this week will be for Evangelii Gaudium*

## REFLECTION

There is an old Russian proverb that says 'When money talks, the truth is silent'. Nowadays, the truth is silent because people consider money to be more important than anything else! This may have always been the case, but in our rapidly developing, industrialised, fast moving, materialistic world of today, money has become the ultimate god! No doubt we are all familiar with the phrase *money is the root of all evil* - this is not totally correct. In 1 Timothy 6:10, the phrase is actually 'the love of money is the root of all evil!' There is nothing wrong with money itself but it's how we use or misuse money that causes problems for ourselves and others.

How we use and spend our money says a lot about who we are and how we treat others. When Jesus speaks to us, it is always with a reminder about the poor and those in need. Through the words of the prophet of Amos in the first reading today, we are reminded and challenged not to abuse or cheat in any way those who are poor. Jesus continues this message in the gospel. He tells a rather puzzling parable which sounds like he is encouraging dishonesty. A servant who looks after his master's property is accused of misusing it. He is sacked, but before he leaves he has to hand in his final account. He takes this time to rearrange his master's account with those who owe him money. He reduces their debts and loans and by the time he is finished, the merchants end up owing him for his cleverness. When it mattered most, this clever steward wastes no time in taking immediate and practical action to safeguard his own future. Jesus is not praising this man for his dishonesty and shrewdness, but for his skill in coping with a crisis quickly. Again, this is in no way encouraging the misuse of money. If this (dishonest) man can use his master's money to ensure his own job, how much more will those who are honest use their money to promote and build the Kingdom. This is not to say you can buy your way into the Kingdom of God! It is to recognise that if our money and wealth are used inappropriately or are not connected to the values of Jesus and the gospel, then people suffer, usually the poor and those most in need. So, today, let us ask ourselves this question: If money talks, what do I hear my money saying to me?

## 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

*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 HM Queen Elizabeth II, Iain Macdonald & Nora Ball 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

### REVISED & REVERSED COVID REQUIREMENTS

With the increase of infection rates and the new variants, the guidelines from the Archdiocese have changed and the following now apply:

1. **Face-coverings** are highly recommended for people who attend Sunday Masses.
2. **Sanitiser** - please sanitise your hands before entering the church.
3. **Ventilation** - the doors to the church will remain open throughout each service during the summer months.
3. **Social Distancing** - there will **no** designated section of the church with social distancing.
3. **Holy Communion** - ministers will cleanse their hands before & after distributing Holy Communion.
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.**



### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Emily Sanders & Gianluca Tosney** who were married at St Gregory's on Friday. We wish them every joy and happiness as they begin their married life together.



### BAPTISMS

Today we welcome in Baptism at St Oswald's **Carter James & James Patrick Burke**  
 Please keep both them and their family in your prayers as they start out on their faith journey.

### ANNUAL MASS COUNT

As part of the pastoral statistics that we compile every year, the total number attending Mass in each parish will be recorded over the next four successive weekends.

### SVP MONTHLY COLLECTION

Thank you for your kind and generous offerings of **£176.01**.

## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 18 Sep	9:30am	25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Valerie Bretherton	Evangelii Gaudium ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		Tom Wilcock (BR)	
SUN 18 Sep	11:00am	25th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Sheila Gant (A)	Evangelii Gaudium ST OSWALD'S
Mon 19 Sep	9:00am	REQUIEM MASS	HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II	
Tues 20 Sep	9:15am	St Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang & Companions	Charles Eastham (A)	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 21 Sep	8:30am	St Matthew	Sam Smith Patrick Loughran (RIP)	
Thur 22 Sep	1:30pm	REQUIEM MASS	Iain Macdonald	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 23 Sep	8:30am	St Pius of Pietrelcina	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE
	9:15am		EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 24 Sep	10:00am	Our Lady of Walsingham	The Bond Family (F) Successful Operation (JP)	
SUN 25 Sep	9:30am	26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Emily Moss (Get Well)	World Day of Migrants & Refugees ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		Theresa O'Hare & Family	
SUN 25 Sep	11:00am	26th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	John & Olive Turner Robert (Bob) Hooson (A)	World Day of Migrants & Refugees ST OSWALD'S