

WORD OF LIFE

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST INTENTIONS

Forms are still available at the back of church for anybody who would like the names of their loved ones remembered at our Masses throughout November.

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 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

Faith Reference

If you have put your child's name down for St Michael's school, than can you please come to see me so I can put faces to names and can give your child a valid faith reference, I would hate anyone to miss out because I didn't recognize their name.

Thanks For the Support.

The recent CAFOD & Mary's Meals sale at St. Mary's Parish Centre raised £750. Thank you all for your support

Retiring Collection

The Retiring Collection today is for Anomate the Archdiocesan youth service.



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

Sunday 20th November 2022 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King, Year C

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

**Parish Administrator:**

Christine Edwards

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Edward Brierley

REFLECTION

Before we begin the season of Advent and our preparations for Christmas, we are asked to reflect upon Christ our King. The gospel today is from St Luke and strangely, but beautifully tells us of Jesus' Crucifixion. Jesus is slowly dying on the cross; on either side of him are two thieves. One of them verbally abuses Jesus; the other admits and acknowledges his guilt and utters the profound prayer request, *'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.'* To which Jesus replies, *'I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.'* So the first person to enter the Kingdom of God with Jesus is a repentant thief - not a king, a general, a queen or some other important person. There is hope for all of us! Jesus did say that his Kingdom was not of this world. The true king of a Kingdom not of this world offers repentance, forgiveness and eternal life to those who ask for it. The Kingdom of God is not based on power, wealth, prestige or force. God's Kingdom, Jesus proclaims, is based on love mercy, service, justice and reconciliation. Jesus is a King, but he does not and cannot make us follow him. He calls us by our name and invites us to follow him freely out of love because we want to. While Jesus dies on the cross, his enemies shout at him to save himself. But he is not that sort of powerful King. Surely, they mocked, this Jesus, the Christ who raised the dead, healed the sick, walked on water and forgave sinners was capable of saving himself. But he doesn't. The Kingship of Jesus is not about saving himself, self-preservation, or his own glory and power. Instead, in Jesus the King, we witness and share in his life and love being poured out freely and totally for others. If we call ourselves Christians and follow Christ the King, then we are also called to follow the way he lived. Jesus the King, came to serve, not to be served. As we end this current liturgical year, may we too have the courage, faith and humility of the repentant thief as we pray, *Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.*

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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WEEKLY COLLECTION  
w/c 13th November 2022

Gift Aid: **£118.12**  
Loose Plate: **£489.80**  
Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

### 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 - Paul Gallery  
Christine Zawistowicz - Catherine -Philip Compton - 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, 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.
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.**

### BAPTISMS



Today we welcome in Baptism at St Oswald's **Ava Louise Walsh and Freya & Thomas Emery**  
Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they start out on their faith journey.

### 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. Items can be left in the church porch or dropped off at the presbytery. Thank you for your continued support.

### COST OF LIVING CRISIS

The Archdiocese has now created a network of warm and cosy spaces for winter with hot drinks, TV and internet access and a chance to meet new friends. Our local warm space in Chorley will be St Mary's Parish Centre which will be open on a Tuesday.

For further information and to see the full list, please go to:

<http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/index.php?p=2561>

## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

All of the Masses in November will be offered for the intentions of those on the Pious List

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 20 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST UNIVERSAL KING	Margaret Wrennall (BR) Mary Rigby (A) Eileen Gallagher (A) Gereld Thompson & Harold Slater Vincent Calderbank (A)	YOUTH SUNDAY ST GREGORY'S
SUN 20 Nov	11:00am	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST UNIVERSAL KING	Iain Macdonald Nicholas Eastham (BR)	YOUTH SUNDAY ST OSWALD'S
Mon 21 Nov	10:00am	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Bernard Marmion	
Tues 22 Nov	9:15am	St Cecilia	People of the Parish	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 23 Nov	8:30am	St Clement & St Columbanus	George Craig (LD)	EXPOSITION 12:00 - 2:00pm
Thur 24 Nov	9:15am 7:00pm	St Andrew Dung- Lac & Companions Annual Mass of Remembrance	Dennis Brindle (LD)	EXPOSITION 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 25 Nov	8:30am 9:15am	St Catherine of Alexandria	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 26 Nov	10:00am		Sam Smith	
SUN 27 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Roy Carrington (LD) Marina Finnerty	ST GREGORY'S
SUN 27 Nov	11:00am	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Peter Gallery (A) Deceased Members of the Catenians	ST OSWALD'S