#### NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST INTENTIONS

All of our Masses during November are traditionally offered for those on the Pious List of Intentions. Forms are still 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 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.

#### 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.

#### OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

October is traditionally the month dedicated to Our Lady Of The Rosary. The rosary is integral to the spiritual life of many Catholics and, if we deepen our understanding of the foundations of our rosary prayers, we can, in turn, deepen our devotion to Mary, the Mother of God. In the link below, you will find resources and information to explore this devotion. https://www.cbcew.org.uk/month-of-the-rosary/

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

## **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

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

Sunday 23rd October 2022 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

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Parish Administrator: Christine Edwards

Safeguarding Rep: Edward Brierley

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

w/c 16th October 2022 Gift Aid: £90.00 Loose Plate: £288.79 Standing Orders: £186.25

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

The special collection today is for APF World Missions

#### REFLECTION

In the parable in today's Gospel, Jesus addresses the Pharisees and tells them once more where their pride will lead them - they would be excluded from the kingdom of God, because they would not admit or repent of their pride and their lack of charity. Instead of thanking God for

the many gifts they have been given, they almost demanded thanks from God for being such pious people. They had virtues - they avoided serious injustices, did not commit adultery, fasted often, paid all their Temple dues but it was all done, not for the honour and glory of God, but for their own honour and glory. One thing that we can learn from this sad story of the Pharisees is that, while God approves of no sin, his mercy and forgiveness is available for all sinners except the proud. It isn't that God cannot or will not forgive the sin of pride but rather that the proud man will not ask for God's forgiveness. We must all be on our guard against this destructive vice, it can grow in us almost without our knowing it, and once it has taken root it is difficult to eradicate. It spoils every other virtue we practice and every good work we do. Charity, or brotherly love, cannot flourish in a proud heart, for a proud heart is so full of self that it has no room for others. No true love of God can exist in a proud heart, for even the very acts of religion which a proud man performs, are done for the motive of self-glory and not for the glory of God. A few simple questions can tell us whether or not we are proud. Do we like others to see and hear of our good works, or do we prefer to do them in secret? Do we give as generously

to charitable causes when no list of benefactors is published? Do we willingly take part in parish activities or do we only get involved if we are to be the leaders? Do we always try to find an excuse for the failings of others or have we excuses for our own faults only? Today let us all remember the two men praying in the Temple and pray that we may be given the true Christian virtue of humility and look for every possible occasion to practice it.

### 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 - Roy Carrington 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 Fr John Gildea, Rona Roberts, Kathleen Green & Adrian Hart 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  $\underline{no}$  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  $\underline{not}$  be reintroduced at this time.

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

## WORLD MISSION DAY

Today we celebrate World Mission Sunday, a special Day of Prayer for the spread of the Gospel. It is a moment of grace to express solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are living in situations of poverty, violence and oppression. We give thanks to God for the many missionaries who work across the globe and we pray that they, with our help, may continue this valuable work. The special collection today will be in support of their work.

O God, whose will it is that all should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth, look upon your abundant harvest and be pleased to send workers to gather it, that the Gospel may be preached to all creation and that your people, gathered by the word of life and sustained by the power of the Sacraments, may advance in the path of salvation and love.

### WRAP UP WARM FOR WINTER APPEAL

A very big thank you from Hollinshead Street United Reform Church for your generous donations of <u>warm hats, scarves and gloves</u>. 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.

# **MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS**

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 23 Oct	9:30am 6:30pm	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Jim Parkinson (A) Winnie Walmsley (A) Fr John GIldea Bernard Marmion	WORLD MISSION DAY ST GREGORY'S
SUN 23 Oct	11:00am	30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	The People of the Parish	WORLD MISSION DAY ST OSWALD'S
Mon 24 Oct	10:00am	St Anthony Mary Claret	Margaret Mary Ellison	、 、
Tues 25 Oct	9:15am		EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 26 Oct	10:00am	REQUIEM MASS	Alan Baldwin	EXPOSITION 12:00 - 2:00pm
Thur 27 Oct	9:15am		Sylvester Woods (F) The Hayden Family (F)	EXPOSITION 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 28 Oct	8:30am 9:15am	St Simon & St Jude	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 29 Oct	10:00am		Sam Smith In thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes	
SUN 30 Oct	9:30am 6:30pm	31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Special Intention The People of the Parish	ST GREGORY'S
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