

## 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 lit 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.

## THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST COLUMBAN


A big thank you from the Columban Missionaries for your generous donations of **£407.69** which were received following the recent appeal by Fr John Boles. Please be assured that you will all be remembered in the Masses and prayers of their community in Solihull.

## A MESSAGE FROM LIVING WATERS FOODBANK

A huge thank you to you for your ongoing support towards our Foodbank and your very generous recent gift of **£760**, we can't describe what a difference it makes to those who are suffering vulnerability through no fault of their own. We could never achieve all we do if it wasn't for people like you who come alongside us and support. Your financial support means we can target the foods we most desperately need such as tinned meat and fresh vegetables etc. We also continue to provide a hot meal to everyone who attends if they so wish. This gives us an opportunity to listen more deeply to their needs and signpost them to other agencies for further support. As Christmas approaches we hope to also add some treats to our bags, a lovely surprise for those collecting. Thank you again for partnering with us.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

H	O	S	S	Z	E	S	U	O	H	JERICO
O	U	S	Y	A	T	E	S	N	E	ZACCHAEUS
H	S	E	C	C	E	N	O	D	Y	SENIOR
C	U	N	A	C	A	I	R	N	H	WEALTHY
I	E	I	C	H	T	M	O	U	T	SHORT
R	A	O	O	A	E	D	O	O	L	SYCAMORE
E	C	R	V	E	Y	E	P	R	A	TREE
J	C	L	E	U	O	S	R	G	E	HOUSE
T	A	O	H	S	H	O	R	T	W	GROUND
S	Z	Y	T	R	E	P	O	R	P	PROPERTY
										POOR
										SALVATION




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

Sunday 30th October 2022 - 31st 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 23rd October 2022

Gift Aid: **£54.90**

Loose Plate: **£259.98**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

## REFLECTION

In today's Gospel we hear the story of the tax collector, Zacchaeus, who was actually a chief tax collector. Tax collectors cheated and stole from whoever they could and the taxes were then paid to the Romans. The tax collectors were hated and despised and treated as thieves by the local people. As Zacchaeus was a small man, when Jesus arrived in the town with the crowd, he couldn't see over the tall people, so he ran ahead and climbed a tree because he was anxious to see Jesus and wanted to get a glimpse of him as he passed that way. Zacchaeus knew that he was despised and hated by others - he didn't really want to meet Jesus - perhaps he felt that Jesus wouldn't want to meet someone with his reputation. But as Jesus was walking by, he looked up and called this little strange man in the tree by his name! Jesus said to him, *'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.'* Jesus did not condemn or criticise Zacchaeus or demand that he pay back the money that he had stolen; he did not tell him to sell all his possessions and give the money to the poor. He didn't ask him to do anything!

He simply called him by his name and invited himself to Zacchaeus' house for a meal. Jesus called and loved him just as he was. It is because he knew that he was loved and accepted that Zacchaeus changed his way of life. If we are honest with ourselves, we are just the same as Zacchaeus - we all know that we do and say things that we shouldn't. Perhaps like this little tax collector, we too want to keep Jesus at a safe distance. But Jesus knows us, he knows what we have done, he knows our name and calls us every day just as he called Zacchaeus. Jesus loves and accepts us just as we are. Changing our ways is not easy. It takes courage, honesty and great humility. But we are not on our own; Jesus is always with us to encourage, support and help us - if we accept his personal invitation and spend time with him as Zacchaeus did. For as long as we live, we have the opportunity to renew ourselves and turn over a new leaf. We do this through regularly receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. So this week, let us look to Zacchaeus. Can we follow his example; can we change our ways?

## 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 Marie Higham  
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.**

### BAPTISM



Today we welcome in Baptism at St Gregory's  
**Rowan Louise Massey**  
Please keep her and her family 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 30 Oct	9:30am 6:30pm	31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Special Intention The People of the Parish	ST GREGORY'S
SUN 30 Oct	11:00am	31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Iain Macdonald	ST OSWALD'S
Mon 31 Oct	10:00am		Derek Smith Marie McClelland (LD)	
Tues 01 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	Robert Morris (A) The People of the Parish	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 02 Nov	8:30am 12:30pm	All Souls FUNERAL SERVICE	Valerie Bretherton Special Intention (TB) Derek Butler	EXPOSITION 12:00 - 2:00pm
Thur 03 Nov	9:15am		Adrian Hart (LD)	EXPOSITION 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 04 Nov	8:30am 9:15am	St Charles Borromeo	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 05 Nov	10:00am	REQUIEM MASS	Kathleen Green	
SUN 06 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm	32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Kath & Jim Dunn Ronnie Boam (A) Josephine Riding (A) Bryan Topping	MASS OF WELCOME ST GREGORY'S
SUN 06 Nov	11:00am	32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Amy Ogden (A)	MASS OF WELCOME ST OSWALD'S