

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

During the past week, Michael Hall has been on his pre-diaconate retreat and his ordination is fast approaching. He will be ordained on Sunday 16th July at the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool. Please keep him and his fellow Ordinands in your prayers.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2023

A warm welcome to all those who have registered to be Confirmed this year from the parishes of St Gregory's and St Oswald's. Confirmations will take place at St Gregory's on **Thursday 15th June at 7:00pm**. Please keep all our young people in your prayers as they take this next important step on their faith journeys.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

Please keep in your prayers the children in both parishes who are currently preparing to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on the following dates:

St Gregory's - Saturdays 17th & 24th June and Sundays 18th & 25th June

St Oswald's - Sunday 25th June

CHORLEY HOSPITAL

Please contact St Joseph's Presbytery on Tel: 01257 262713 if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and would appreciate a visit. In an emergency the hospital switchboard will contact the on-call Catholic Priest.

Please request this from any member of staff on the ward.

WEEKDAY MASSES

For those who follow the Weekday Masses, the week following the feast of The Most Holy Trinity i.e. w/c 5th June 2023 is week 9, cycle 1 (page 582).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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NICODEMUS LOVED WORLD
BELIEVES LOST ETERNAL
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THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

Sunday 4th June 2023 - The Most Holy Trinity, Year A

REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the feast of the Holy Trinity - not something that most of us can easily understand or figure out simply by using our brains - nor is it anything Google can help us with! It is a *mystery* that we experience with our hearts not with our heads. When we use the word 'mystery' to describe the Trinity, we are talking about a reality that is so endlessly rich and profound that it will never be exhausted. Through the Trinity, the Father creates and loves us, Jesus liberates and saves us and the Spirit encourages and strengthens us. The Trinity is a community of love and life that we are invited to be part of and share in. When we look at the news on TV or in the newspapers, we are often presented with news of violence and segregation. There is the reality of individuals and even some countries speaking about and defending *their* rights at the expense of dialogue and cooperation with other nations. People of different races or religions in the same country often not only disagree with each other but actively fight each other. All too often we see violent protests which whilst self-destructive and self-defeating, reflect the frustration and anger of the millions who still experience humiliation, indignity, and unequal opportunity because of their religion, race or the colour of their skin. Sadly, there is division where there should be unity, there is aggression where there should be understanding, and there is suspicion where there should be trust and mutual respect. The Trinity offers us a model of sharing, belonging and community. It challenges our individualism and our demand that our rights be met. The Trinity asks us to be mindful of our responsibilities to those around us in our families and our communities. In the Christian tradition, when we begin our prayers, whether as individuals or as a community, we make the sign of the cross and call upon the power and presence of the Trinity - we deliberately and consciously ask the Trinity to be part of our prayer and daily life. Today on the Feast of the Trinity let us begin our prayers by calling on the power of the Holy Trinity and may we let their meaning truly become part of us.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR:

Christine Booth

SAFEGUARDING REP:

Awaiting Appointment

WEEKLY COLLECTION

w/c 28th May 2023

Gift Aid: **£74.50**

Loose Plate: **£454.99**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

The retiring collection today will be taken by the SVP

Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Sheila McGeown - Dorothy Fairclough - Paul Gallery - Christine Zawistowicz
 Paul McBeth - Baby Elmo Allan - Fr Laurence Mayne - Emily Moss
 Teresa Abernethy - Angela Helmn - Shirley Langstrath - Margaret Dearden
 Catherine - Paul Spedding

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 Terry Turner & Eileen Taylor 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

PARISH CELEBRATION 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Our Annual Parish celebration on **Saturday 10th June at 12:30pm** is now fully subscribed. If you have reserved a place but for any reason find you are unable to attend, please do let us know in good time so that your place can be filled.

Thanks & God Bless!

Fr Graeme

60th JUBILEE MASS

There will be a special Mass of Celebration for Mgr McKenna's Diamond Jubilee on **Thursday 8th June at 7:00pm** at St Gregory's Weldbank. All are welcome to attend.

CELEBRATION MASS FOR THE LOURDES CENTENARY YEAR

On **Sunday 25 June at 5pm**, there will be a celebration Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral to mark the centenary pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Mass is a chance for pilgrims past and present to come together to celebrate this milestone. All are welcome to attend.

BAPTISMS



Today we welcome in Baptism at St Gregory's **Matilda Shauna Maughan & Maeve Anne Harty**

Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they start out on their faith journey.

GOOD SHEPHERD MASS

Archbishop Malcolm will celebrate a Good Shepherd Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral in Liverpool on **Wednesday 28 June at 11am**. All are welcome to attend.

There will also be a Good Shepherd Mass on **Wednesday 14 June at 10.30am** at St Mary's Church, Leyland. All are welcome to attend.

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 04 Jun	9:30am	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	Kath Dunn (A) Joanne Gilgun (A)	ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		Joan Critchley & Family	
SUN 04 Jun	11:00am	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	People of the Parish	ST OSWALD'S
Mon 05 Jun	10:00am	St Boniface	The Turner Family (F) Geraldine Boland (LD)	
Tues 06 Jun	9:15am	St Norbert	Private Intention	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 07 Jun	8:30am		Bernard Marmion Pauline Critchley	EXPOSITION 10:00am - 12:00noon
Thur 08 Jun	9:15am 7:00pm	60TH JUBILEE OF ORDINATION	The 60th Jubilarians Mgr Michael McKenna	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 09 Jun	8:30am	St Ephraem & St Columba	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE	
	9:15am			
Sat 10 Jun	10:00am		Margaret Mary Ellison Derek Smith (A)	
SUN 11 Jun	9:30am	THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST	Kath Dunn (BR) The Catenians	ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		Fr Martin Peyton	
SUN 11 Jun	11:00am	THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST	People of the Parish	ST OSWALD'S