

HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI 2021

At this time we remember the devastation caused on 6 and 9 August 1945, when the US dropped atomic bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. It is estimated that the bombs had killed 210,000 citizens by the end of 1945 and, over the years, have ruined the health of many of the survivors. The average age of the Hibakusha, or atomic bomb survivors, is now over 83 years old, and many of them are still suffering from terrible health issues. The message of peace from the Hibakusha to the people of the world is an appeal for all to realize a world free of nuclear weapons.

In his message, 'A Culture of Care as a Path to Peace', Pope Francis asks, 'How many resources are spent on weaponry, especially nuclear weapons, that could be used for more significant priorities such as ensuring the safety of individuals, the promotion of peace and integral human development, the fight against poverty, and the provision of health care'. Pope Francis calls on us to 'strive daily, in concrete and practical ways, to form a community composed of brothers and sisters who accept and care for one another'.

Today let us join the Hibakusha in remembrance of those who tragically lost their lives in Hiroshima & Nagasaki as we pray for an end to the use of nuclear weapons.

CHORLEY & SOUTH RIBBLE HOSPITAL

Please contact St Joseph's Presbytery, if any member of your family is admitted into Chorley Hospital and would appreciate a visit (01257 262713). In an emergency the hospital switchboard will contact the on-call Catholic Priest. Please request this from any member of staff on the ward.

NEW DEANERY MASS TIMES

Churches across the Chorley Deanery have now published their amended Mass/Service times as of 1st August 2021. To view the full list, please follow this [link](#)

CHILDREN'S CORNER

E	L	E	A	S	E	S	E	O	M
L	O	F	O	O	D	O	O	D	A
F	L	I	D	A	E	R	B	D	N
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M	E	A	E	S	S	A	S	R	A
O	T	V	B	D	O	E	M	T	B
S	E	A	O	B	O	M	A	L	B
E	I	S	N	G	I	S	E	L	A

BOATS	RABBI	BREAD
FOOD	ETERNAL	SEAL
BELIEVE	SIGN	MANNA
DESERT	MOSES	LIFE



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

1st August 2021 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

St Gregory's RC Church

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Part of the

ARCHDIOCESE of LIVERPOOL

Registered Charity No: 232709

Church Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 15:00

Parish Administrator:

Christine Edwards

Safeguarding Rep:

Edward Brierley

WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 25th July 2021

Gift Aid: **£47.00**

Loose Plate: **£226.42**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

REFLECTION

Every day we are bombarded by advertisements of one kind or another with the message that we need to buy more and more things to be happy and content. Advertisements tell us that the more we buy and the more we have and consume, the happier we will be. Although buying and having things in moderation isn't a bad thing, buying and having things that we don't really want or need isn't good for any of us. No matter what we buy, it won't make us happier or healthier. The gospel this Sunday follows on from the miracle of the loaves and fishes. The crowd, having witnessed Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes wondered what further signs he might show them. They wanted more signs - they were 'hungry' for more 'bread' to satisfy their appetites. Jesus realising that the people followed him because he had performed a miracle and fed them, challenged them to go deeper than just wanting ordinary bread. He wanted them to realise that he had come not just to satisfy their human physical needs but so that they could have life and live it to the full. He reminded them that their ancestors ate bread from heaven every morning when they were in the desert. He told them that it was not Moses who provided this bread, but God. Then Jesus made a very bold claim by proclaiming for all to hear; 'I am the Bread of life.'the true bread... which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' Those in the gospel followed Jesus because he satisfied their physical hunger; but he challenged them to look deeper and further than their basic human hunger. He asked them and also us today to recognise and experience Jesus himself as the source of life at a physical and spiritual level by offering himself to us as the Bread of Life to satisfy all our needs and to give meaning to our lives. The Eucharist invites and challenges each of us to open our hearts and daily lives to the life and love of Jesus in a very intimate and personal way. Jesus is the Bread from heaven and gives life to the world. Those who believe that Jesus is the Bread of Life will never be hungry or thirsty.

Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Maureen Jackson - Madge Henshaw - Eileen Nuttall - Julie Hurley - Danny Harrison - Margaret Shaw
Thomas Moss - Hugh O'Daly - Paul McBeth - Baby Elmo Allan - Fr Laurence Mayne - Paul Spedding
Neil Haydock - Teresa Abernethy - Angela Helmn - Neil Bass - Shirley Langstrath
Margaret Dearden - Sheila McGeown

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.

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

COVID 19 - CHANGES FROM 19TH JULY

In the light of further guidance received from the Archdiocese, going forward, the following will apply at both St Gregory's & St Oswald's from **Monday 19th July 2021**

- The wearing of facemasks will be **mandatory** for those attending all church services (except in the case of medical exemption).
- Social distancing will no longer be mandatory but taking into consideration that some people may still have concerns given the current infection rates, a section of the church will remain with social distancing restrictions in place.
- Hand sanitising will remain a requirement on entering the church but not on exit.
- We will no longer be taking details for track and trace purposes.
- Holy Communion will revert to the normal time and place in the Mass.
- Holy Communion under both kinds will not be re-introduced at this time.
- Stewards will invite people to the altar to receive Holy Communion row by row.

MASS/SERVICE TIMES

WEEKDAY SERVICES

MONDAY: **ROSARY** 9:30am, **HOLY MASS** 10:00am (St Gregory's)

TUESDAY: **ROSARY** 8:50am, **HOLY MASS** 9:15am (St Oswald's)

TUESDAY: **DEVOTIONS** 1:00pm - 2:00pm (St Gregory's)

WEDNESDAY: **ROSARY** 8:00am, **HOLY MASS** 8:30am (St Gregory's)

THURSDAY: **ROSARY** 8:50am, **HOLY MASS** 9:15am (St Oswald's)

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FRIDAY: **ROSARY** 8:00am, **EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE** 8:30am (St Gregory's)

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SATURDAY: **ROSARY** 9:30am, **HOLY MASS** 10:00am (St Gregory's)

SUNDAY MASSES

HOLY MASS 9:30am (St Gregory's) & **11:00am** (St Oswald's)

BAPTISMS AT ST GREGORY'S

Today we welcome in Baptism,

Theo Tatlock

Please keep him and his family in your prayers.



MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 01 Aug	9:30am	18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Catherine & Cecil de Lacy (A) Herbert Spedding (A)	Baptism at St Gregory's
Sun 01 Aug	11:00am	18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Charles Eastham B(R) Nicholas Eastham (A)	St Oswald's
Mon 02 Aug	10:00am	St Eusebius of Vercelli & St Peter Julian Eymard	Annie Taliath (LD)	
Tues 03 Aug	9:15am		Private Intention	Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Wed 04 Aug	8:30am	St John Vianney	Michael & Tess McDonnell (A) Michael & Esther McDonnell (A)	
Thur 05 Aug	9:15am	Dedication of St Mary Major	William & Charlotte Fishwick	Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Fri 06 Aug	8:30am 9:15am		EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 07 Aug	10:00am	St Sixtus I & his companions & St Cajetan	Elizabeth Dearden (A)	First Holy Communion St Gregory's
Sun 08 Aug	9:30am	19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Emma Walsh (LD)	Baptism at St Gregory's
Sun 08 Aug	11:00am	19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	William & Ann Higham B(R) Lindsay Anne Doran	St Oswald's