SYNOD 2020

Please continue to keep in your prayers our Archbishop and the Archdiocesan Council as they develop a new Pastoral Plan to best meet the challenges of our world today.

Today we thank God for the work of our Archdiocesan Synod and for everyone who has played a part in this great moment of discernment.

We ask God to continue to guide us as we journey together as His Church.

We pray that when that when we hear the Lord's invitation to follow him we will do so with faith in our lives, with hope in our hearts and with His love in every action.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion will this year be celebrated in small groups on Saturdays and Sundays in July at St Gregory's due to the ongoing Covid restrictions. At St Oswald's, these will be celebrated on Saturday 10th July. Please keep all the children who are making their First Holy Communion in your prayers.

FR JULIUS MADAKI

Please keep Fr Julius Madaki who spent some time with us here at St Gregory's in your prayers as he prepares for his doctoral defence which is scheduled to take place on 9th of July in Rome. The title of his thesis is: 'Conversion Through Baptism: Jovinian's Way'

We wish him the best of luck.

LIVING WATERS FOOD BANK

The Foodbank are urgently appealing for items such as tinned food, pasta, toiletries, UHT milk, tinned fish etc. Please leave your donations in the box in the porch. All your generous donations are very much appreciated. Thank you for your continued support.

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WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 27th June 2021

Gift Aid: £72.00 Loose Plate: £132.50 Standing Orders: £186.25

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

REFLECTION

Today's gospel reading from St Mark presents us with a practical example of faith in God in particularly difficult and hopeless situations. The faith shown by Jairus and the woman suffering from a haemorrhage become a model for us all. Every day, we too are confronted with situations that challenge our faith - situations such as sickness, death, poverty, failure, etc. But we should not think that these difficult situations are a part of God's original plan for us as the first reading from the book of Wisdom tells us. God permits them to happen as such challenges are designed to make us stronger in life and draw us closer to God. It is often in the most difficult moments in life that people turn to God for help. Though we may sometimes find it very challenging to entrust ourselves and others completely to God, ultimately this is what opens the way to a new life in him. There are many ways in which we can compare the request for healing made by Jairus and the request of the woman with the haemorrhage. One comparison helps us think about prayer. Jairus asked Jesus for healing on his daughter's behalf; the woman with the haemorrhage had no one to speak for her and bravely approached Jesus on her own initiative. We find hope in Jesus' response to both of these people, who sought him out in their hour of need. In our prayers, we intercede for others' needs, and we also express our own needs. When we gather to pray we do so as brothers and sisters. If we are true Christians and follow the message and example of Jesus, then we must firstly be concerned about each other and the needs of all those around us. It would be wrong of us to say that we were followers of Jesus, if the quality of our daily lives did not show this and there would also be something wrong if we said we believed in loving our brothers and sisters, but our actions showed the opposite. Today let us offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God for the gift of active faith which he has given to us and may we also be reminded of the need to reach out and offer hospitality and kindness to those around us, especially those most in need of our help.

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 - CHURCH UPDATE

Following the Prime Ministers update earlier this week, and following further guidance received from the Archdiocese, the following will apply until at least 19th July

Funerals may now be attended by a maximum of 80 persons
Burials of ashes can also continue with up to 30 people in attendance
Weddings can now go ahead with a maximum of 80 attendees
Baptisms can now go ahead with a maximum of 30 attendees

All previous precautions including social distancing, the wearing of face masks and sanitisation regimes must remain in place. There will also be no toilet facilities.

May God continue to Bless you and your families
Fr Graeme

Masses/Devotions will be LiveStreamed and recorded at the advertised times.

Weekday Masses at St Gregory's:

Mon/Wed/Fri - 8:30am Tues/Thurs/Sat - 10:00am Please see Newsletter for details of the Weekday Mass at St Oswald's

Sunday Masses: 9:30am (St Gregory's), 11:00am (St Oswald's - not Live Streamed) **Devotions** will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays 1:00pm - 2:00pm

BAPTISMS AT ST GREGORY'S



This week, we welcome in Baptism

Emily Nightingale, Finn Gavaghan & William Hampson.

We wish them and their families every blessing as they start out on their faith journeys.

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 27 Jun	9:30am	13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	David Warbis Eileen Delikan (A)	St Gregory's Weld Bank
Sun 27 Jun	11:00am	13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	The Parishioners Ernest Farrimond	St Oswald's Coppull
Mon 28 Jun	8:30am	St Irenaeus	David Porter (A)	
Tues 29 Jun	9:30am 11:00am	St Peter & St Paul	William Moore (F) Phyllis Rourke	St Gregory's St Oswald's Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Wed 30 Jun	8:30am	First Martyrs of the See of Rome	Harry & Doreen Ainscough	
Thur 01 July	9:15am 10:00am	St Oliver Plunket	Winifred Calderbank John Phelan & Kevin O'Hagan	St Oswald's St Gregory's Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Fri 02 July	8:30am		LISCF	
Sat 03 July	10:00am	St Thomas	Phyllis Barton (A)	
Sun 04 July	n 04 July 9:30am 14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		Teresa Iddon (A)	St Gregory's Weld Bank
Sun 04 July	11:00am	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Margaret Ingram B(R)	St Oswald's Coppull