

# ST. GREGORY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> / Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A



## GOD CARED FOR HIS PEOPLE

as a good wine-dresser cared for his vineyard yet they failed to produce the desired fruits.

We are the new people of God. The vineyard planted and cared for by Christ was planted and tended with such care that He gave His life for it. He now looks to us to produce His fruits of justice, love, compassion and peace. It is a great privilege given to us and also a great challenge.

"Lord, Jesus Christ, You said to Your disciples, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Separated from me you can do nothing but united with me, you will bear much fruit."

*"Lord, strengthen the bonds that unite us with You and with one another and direct us in the way that leads us to our Heavenly home with You."*

## SERVICES NEXT WEEK

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Mass at 10.15 a.m.

Saturday - Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Sunday - Mass at 10.00 a.m.

## MASSES WILL BE SAID AS FOLLOWS

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sick & Housebound of the Parish
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	School Mass
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Peter Hammond
Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Hannah Beardshaw
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Special Intention

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00 a.m.

Funeral Service for Zoe Myerscough

## MASS INTENTIONS

Hannah Beardshaw, Special Intention  
and Barney Sullivan

If anyone wishes to have Masses said for any particular intentions, can they pass them on to Fr. John Mark, Fr. Stephen or Deacon Jim or put them through the letter box of the Parish House. If you want the Masses said on any special day please put the date and, if possible, the Mass will be said then.

## EVANGELI GAUDIUM - PREPARING FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR IN FAITH AND PRAYER

### Prayers of the Faithful

- As we respond to Pope Francis' invitation to prepare for the Jubilee Year in 2025 may we seek opportunities to deepen our knowledge and grow in faith.
- The disciples asked, 'Lord, teach us to pray'; may we give more time to prayer, lifting our hearts and minds to God.

### Fact sheet

The second collection of Evangelii Gaudium Sunday supports the work carried out by the Mission Directorate on behalf of the Bishops' Conference. In the last year this has included:

- Enabling the recording of the videos on the four constitutions.
- Bringing together a working group from across England and Wales to prepare materials for the Jubilee Year 2025 and Year of Prayer 2024.
- Supporting Patrimony experts to deliver funding to 39 projects at outstanding Grade I and II Catholic churches with the £6.6million awarded to the Catholic Bishops' Conference via Historic England through the governments' Culture Recovery Fund in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Supporting co-ordinators and their teams in dioceses through formation and sharing of best practice.

<b>MASS</b>	Saturday	6.30 p.m.	45
<b>ATTENDANCES</b>	Sunday	10.00 a.m.	96
<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	Offertory	£509.10	

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October** - CAFOD Harvest Fast day. Please return your envelopes as soon as possible.

If you prefer to sign a Standing Order or undertake a Bank Transfer, please use the following details:

A/c Name: Parish of St. Gregory, Preston

A/c No: 81335332

Sort Code: 40-27-02

Please make sure you add your name to the payment, especially if you are a Gift Aider in order that we can claim back the tax.

### FEASTS NEXT WEEK

Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	St. John Henry Newman
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	St. John XXIII
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	St. Wilfrid
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	St. Edward the Confessor



### A.P.F. MISSIONS - RED BOXES

If you have an A.P.F. Red Missions Box, can you please empty it and then pass the money on to Deacon Jim so that it

can be sent to the A.P.F. Missions. Please remember to add your name and address to the contents. Once we have a total we will enter it in the Newsletter.

### FOOD BANK APPEAL

Please continue to bring in items for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Anything you can give will be taken to them. They are desperate for tinned and dried food plus tea, coffee, sugar, UHT long life milk and meals in a tin e.g. meat - also, anything for homeless people with no cooking facilities. They are not, however, allowed to accept alcoholic drinks. There is a box at the back of church.

### READINGS NEXT WEEK

Monday	<b>St. John Henry Newman</b>	
	Paul/Corinthians 2 vv 10-16	Matthew 13 vv 47-52
Tuesday	Jonah 3 vv 1-10	Luke 10 vv 38-42
Wednesday	Jonah 4 vv 1-11	Luke 11 vv 1-4
Thursday	Malachi 3 vv 13-20	Luke 11 vv 5-13
Friday	Joel 1 vv 13-15 and 2 vv 1-2	Luke 11 vv 15-26
Saturday	Joel 4 vv 12-21	Luke 11 vv 27-28

### Next Sunday - 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 25 vv 6-10	Paul/Philippians 4 vv 12-14, 19-20
	Matthew 22 vv 1-14



### YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

for Sam Dowd, Jackie Lyons, Donald & Ingrid Whiles, Michelle Riley, Raine Tallon, Gerard Renaudin, Rudolph Carlisle, Members of the Wood and

Madden Families, Robert Swan, John Allen. Maureen Sharrock, Harry Oulton, John Monty Black, Martin Gee, Cynthia Maguire, Margaret Nuttall, Agnes Partington, Teresa Durnian, Agnes Jordan, Barney Sullivan and all who are sick.

For the housebound and those in hospital.

For carers and all who are anxious for the health of their loved ones.

For the relief, comfort and solace of all refugees and the homeless.

For missionaries and for all victims of strife and terrorism.

For peace in all the troubled areas of our world.

For our clergy and all our parishioners.

For all who are battling the Coronavirus and those risking their own lives and safety to care for them.

*Our Lady, our Mother, comfort of the afflicted, pray for them.*

For all who have died recently; for all whose anniversaries occur about this time and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

### ST. BEDE'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, LYTHAM

The school has a vacancy for a Chaplaincy Coordinator (Lay Chaplain). We are seeking to appoint a practising Catholic with good catechetical formation and strong personal faith to serve the pastoral and spiritual needs of our Catholic community. For further information, or to arrange a visit to the school, please contact Mrs. S. Kelly, School Manager, on 01253 667 526 or [skelly@stbedeslytham.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:skelly@stbedeslytham.lancs.sch.uk)

### WAR PEACE REMEMBRANCE

The Company of Voyces Choir Concert  
Directed by Robin Stopford

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 7.30 p.m.  
St. Gregory's Church, Blackpool Road

### Free Admission

Funds raised will be for women and children suffering in the Ukraine Crisis

**Refreshments included after the concert**