

ST. GREGORY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saturday 22nd/Sunday 23rd December 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year C

Saturday 29th/Sunday 30th December 2018

Feast of The Holy Family



MASSSES/SERVICES

Monday 24th December: No Service of the Word

First Mass of Christmas 6.30 p.m.

(preceded by Carols from 6.00 p.m.)

Mass at Midnight

Tuesday 25th December

Mass of Christmas Day at 10.00 a.m.

Wednesday 26th December

(Feast of St. Stephen - Boxing Day)

Service of the Word at 11.00 a.m.

Thursday 27th December: Mass at 12.00 noon

Friday 28th December

Funeral Mass for Wally Gaskell at 10.00 a.m.

Saturday 29th December: Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Sunday 30th December: Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Monday 31st December (New Year's Eve):

9.00 a.m. Service of the Word

Tuesday 1st January

(New Year's Day - Mary, the Mother of God):

Mass at 12.00 noon

Wednesday 2nd January: Mass at 12.00 noon

Thursday 3rd January: Mass at 12.00 noon

Friday 4th January

Funeral Mass for Anthony Talbot 10.00am

Saturday 5th January: Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Sunday 6th January (The Epiphany of the Lord):

Mass at 10.00 a.m.



"Refugees: La Sagrada Familia"

https://kellylatimoreicons.com/gallery/img_2361

An alternative image of The Holy Family

- The Refugee Holy Family -

Matthew 2 vv13-15

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

Matthew 25 v35

Fr Ted

MASS INTENTIONS

Wally Gaskell, Golden Wedding Anniversary, Rosalie Ann Hoggatt, Francis Terence Boyle, Colin Hoggatt, Private Intention, Ann Watson, Ann Veronica Boyle, James Herbert Watson, Richard Arthur Hoggatt, Wedding Anniversary Remembrance, Thomas William Watson, Ellen McKeever and Kathleen Haythornthwaite.

FEASTS NEXT TWO WEEKS

Wednesday 26 th December:	St. Stephen (First Martyr)
Thursday 27 th December:	St. John the Evangelist
Friday 28 th December:	The Holy Innocents
Saturday 29 th December:	St. Thomas Becket
Sunday 30 th December:	The Holy Family
Tuesday 1 st January:	Mary, Mother of God
Sunday 6 th January:	The Epiphany of the Lord

FR. TED and DEACON JIM

wish you all a Happy, Holy and Peaceful Christmas
and every blessing in the New Year

CHRISTMAS MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 24 th December - 6.30 p.m.	The Parishioners
Monday 24 th December - Midnight	Jim & Teresa Durnian
Tuesday 25 th December	Michael O'Leary
Thursday 27 th December	Louise Spink
Saturday 29 th December	Frank Rogerson
Sunday 30 th December	Golden Wedding Anniversary
Tuesday 1 st January	Joe Traynor
Wednesday 2 nd January	Mary Frances Woodward
Thursday 3 rd January	Frank Rogerson
Friday 4 th January	Thomas Ashley and Thomas & Jane Turberfield
Saturday 5 th January	Stephen Holme
Sunday 6 th January	The Parishioners

READINGS NEXT TWO WEEKS

Monday	Samuel 7 vv 1-5, 8-12, 14, 16	Luke 1 vv 67-69
Tuesday	Isaiah 52 vv 7-10	John 1 vv 1-18
	Hebrews 1 vv 1-6	
Wednesday	Acts 6 vv 8-10 and 7 vv 54-59	Matthew 10 vv 17-22
Thursday	John 1 vv 1-4	John 20 vv 2-8
Friday	John 1 v 5 to 2 v 2	Matthew 2 vv 13-18
Saturday	Colossians 1 vv 24-29	Luke 22 vv 24-30
Monday	John 2 vv 18-21	John 1 vv 1-18
Tuesday	Numbers 6 vv 22-27	Luke 2 vv 16-21
	Galatians 4 vv 4-7	
Wednesday	John 2 vv 22-28	John 1 vv 19-25
Thursday	John 2 v 29 to 3 v 6	John 1 vv 29-34
Friday	John 3 vv 7-10	John 1 vv 35-42
Saturday	John 3 vv 11-21	John 1 vv 43-51
	Saturday/Sunday 29 th /30 th December	Samuel 1 vv 20-22, 24-28
	Feast of the Holy Family	John 3 vv 1-2, 21-24
	Saturday/Sunday 5 th /6 th January	Luke 2 vv 41-52
	The Epiphany of the Lord	Isaiah 60 vv 1-6
		Ephesians 3 vv 2-3, 5-6
		Matthew 2 vv 1-12



YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

For Francis Burns, Sam Dowd, Pam Raggett, Betty Whiteside, Eric Grimes, Jackie Lyons, Maureen Hetko, Maria Butterworth, Fred Griffiths, Bernadette

Benson, Donald & Ingrid Whiles, Michelle Riley, Rainie Tallon, Hughie Gaille, Joan Muir, Susan Lavelle, Mary Gallagher, Fiona Turnbull, Teresa Flanagan, May Eccles, Marian Roberts, Jim Durnian, Mary Randall and for 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.

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

For all who have died recently, especially Wally Gaskell and Anthony Talbot and for Kathleen Haythornthwaite and all others whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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

JIM AND TERESA DURNIAN wish to thank sincerely all parishioners for their prayers and concern during Jim's illness. God bless you all and a very happy Christmas.



COLLECTION LAST WEEK (including Buildings' Fund): £725.90

SPECIAL COLLECTION - Rwanda Group Trust: £43.50

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY: Lourdes Group

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: CAFOD

PARISH BUILDINGS' FUND TOTAL TO DATE: £11,285.76

MASS ATTENDANCE: Saturday 6.30 p.m. = 79 Sunday 10.00 a.m. = 148

SINCERE THANKS to all who supported our Christmas Raffle and to Clare and Sandra who organised it. As the draw is only taking place today, the list of winners will, space permitting, be in the Newsletter for the Epiphany. Winners will be notified and a list will be on the Notice Board in the church porch.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY 2019

Evangelization - Young People

That young people, especially in Latin America, will follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.



ST. GREGORY'S SOCIAL CENTRE

will be open as usual throughout the Christmas period. We extend a warm welcome to anyone who wishes to join us. Bingo - Artists - Refreshments. For more details of any particular day please telephone the Secretary or Stewardess on Preston 798336 or 07539 611952.

OWING TO THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD the next Newsletter will be for the feast of the Epiphany, 5th/6th January. Items for inclusion should be submitted by 12.00 noon on Thursday 3rd January either by e-mail to info@stgregoryspreston.org.uk or by posting them through the letter box of the Parish House.