

## THANK YOU

A big thanks for all your cards, gifts and kind generosity on my Birthday.  
I had a most enjoyable day. Thank you & God Bless  
Fr Graeme

## ADOREMUS LIVERPOOL

Following the national Adoremus gathering, the Archbishop has decided that we will have a similar event within the archdiocese. This will take place at the Metropolitan Cathedral and at the Co-Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Isle on 21 September 2024.

The event itself is free and available to all.

At the Metropolitan Cathedral, there will be Eucharistic Adoration throughout the day from 10am until 5pm, Holy Mass, opportunities for confession, a variety of workshops, and a shared time of prayer during the day for all.

All visitors are welcome to drop in and out throughout the day and only need to sign up to participate in the workshops due to the limited number of spaces.

To see the full timetable and to sign up to the events, please go to:

<https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/department/pastoral-development/jubilee>

## 250th ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL

As part of our 250th Celebration we said we would be buying a memorial in honour of all the children who are buried in our cemetery in unmarked graves. The design we have chosen is that of an angel on a plinth. Their names will be buried under the plinth or within the plinth depending on whichever is possible and hopefully the memorial will be ready for when we have the second part of our celebration as mentioned above. If anyone would like to make a donation towards this memorial, please feel free to do so, however, the funds to purchase the memorial are in place if need be. Thank you.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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JEWS  
FATHER  
MOTHER  
DRAWN  
PROPHETS  
HEAR  
LEARN  
BELIEVES  
MANNA  
DESERT  
DEAD  
LIFE



# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

Sunday 11th August 2024 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

### ST GREGORY'S RC CHURCH

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### ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL

Registered Charity No: 1199714

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

### PARISH ADMINISTRATOR:

Christine Booth

### SAFEGUARDING REP:

Waiting Appointment

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

w/c 4th Aug 2024

Gift Aid: **£83.50**

Loose Plate: **£360.02**

Standing Orders: **£369.92**

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

### REFLECTION

In last week's Gospel we heard how the Jewish people, having witnessed Jesus perform miracles, were hungry for more signs. The Gospel ended with Jesus proclaiming that he was the Bread of Life and the promise that anyone who eats the bread of life would live forever. The Gospel this Sunday begins with the people complaining about Jesus because he claimed to be the bread which had come down from heaven. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responded by saying that only those who are chosen by God would recognise him as being the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in St John's Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus. In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. We also hear Jesus say again that he is the bread of life and add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. He goes further when he says that those who follow him will experience hardships and will even be persecuted because of his name. The call and invitation to follow Jesus is not and has never been an easy one. Nowhere does he say, 'Come follow me and you will have an easy life!' In fact he says the very opposite when he says, 'take up your cross and follow me'. In our own lives today, we know that each of us experience pain, hardships and struggles on our journey through life but we also know that we are never alone - God will not forget or abandon us. We too are strengthened and sustained through life by Jesus the Bread of Life, our food for the journey. By sharing in and celebrating the Eucharist, we open our hearts and our lives to Jesus Christ. The life we receive from the Eucharist is eternal life that helps us through this world towards the next. The Eucharist strengthens us to do our part - it is the Bread of Life that gives eternal life. Today let us pray that faith will sustain us on our journey and may we remember that Jesus walks behind us to protect us, he walks in front of us to lead us and he walks by our side to be our constant companion.

### Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Fr Laurence Mayne - Dorothy Fairclough - Christine Zawistowicz - Paul McBeth - Elmo Allan  
 Sheila McGeown - Teresa Abernethy - Shirley Langstrath - Jimmy Waddington  
 Paul Spedding - Susan Yates - Mary Langton - George Griffiths - Mgr Michael McKenna  
*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  
 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

### 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.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### St Gregory's Annual Beer Festival 16th - 18th August 2024

This year's festival will take place next weekend and will feature a selection of 16 beers and assorted ciders. Tickets for this event are now on sale £5 each to include a souvenir programme & a free glass of beer. Wine and gin will also be available as well as food from our own Pit Stop café.

#### Concert in the Garden & Family Fun Day - 18th August

Our ever popular family event will take place next **Sunday 18th August** in the Parish Grounds at St Gregory's. The event will begin at 2:00pm and entry to the concert is free (i.e. no ticket required). Entry to the beer tent is free for those attending the beer festival on Fri/Sat but otherwise entry is £5 on the door. Bring along your friends and family and your own chairs and picnic blankets! There will be live music to entertain you, donkey rides and games for the children. Bring along your own picnic or enjoy food from our BBQ and refreshment stand.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### Big Sunday Festival - 8th September

This is a free event with lots of stalls, live music, games, tombola, BBQ & refreshments.

### BAPTISMS



Today we welcome in Baptism at St Gregory's  
**Elliot Joseph Hodkinson-Jones**  
 Please keep him and his family in your prayers as they start out  
 on their faith journey.

### SCRIPTURE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'Everything is possible for one who believes'

Mark 9:23

## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 11 Aug	9:30am	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Emily Moss (BR)	ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		People of the Parish	
SUN 11 Aug	11:00am	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time	William & Ann Higham (BR)	ST OSWALD'S
Mon 12 Aug	10:00am	St Jane Frances de Chantal	Wulstan & Margaret Barton (B)	
Tues 13 Aug	9:15am	St Pontianus & St Hippolytus	Special Intention	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 14 Aug	8:30am	St Maximilian Kolbe	Peter Brunt (A) Agnes Price (A)	NO EXPOSITION TODAY
Thurs 15 Aug	9:15am	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Private Intention	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 16 Aug	8:30am	St Stephen of Hungary	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	ST GREGORY'S
	9:15am		EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	ST OSWALD'S
Sat 17 Aug	10:00am		Bernard Marmion	
SUN 18 Aug	9:30am	20th Sunday of Ordinary Time	Josie Gaskell (BR) Margaret Berry (A)	ST GREGORY'S
	6:30pm		The sick of the Parish	
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