

### LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2027

Applications are now open for young people in Year 10 and up to the age of 22 to travel to Lourdes to work with our assisted pilgrims. Coach 5 takes young people from the Lancashire areas of Orrell, Chorley, Leyland and Penwortham. Don't miss out on this wonderful experience of service, faith, joy, and learning new skills. There is a £50 reduction for anyone applying before 18<sup>th</sup> October. There is a further £100 reduction for any young person who achieved the Gold level of the Faith in Action Award at the end of the last school year. Apply at [www.liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk](http://www.liverpool Lourdes youth.co.uk). For more information, please email Ben McMullen, Coach Leader at [coach5@rcao.org.uk](mailto:coach5@rcao.org.uk)

### MARY'S MEALS – CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING WORKSHOPS – SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Our Lady Help of Christians, St Helens, are hosting a festive wreath-making workshop in their church hall to help raise money for Mary's Meals, bringing hope and daily meals to children around the world.

There are two sessions available on the day: 10am-12pm or 2pm-4pm. The session, which includes tutor, all necessary material, and refreshments, costs £35 per person. Please bring your own scissors, secateurs, and/or apron if you wish. Tickets can be purchased by scanning the QR code or by calling 0800 698 1212.

### CAFOD

This is the last week for donating the Family Fast envelopes. Money raised will be sent off at the beginning of November.

### PIOUS LISTS

The traditional celebration of Masses for the deceased throughout the month of November will take place in both churches when there are no requiems. If you wish to have loved ones remembered during these Masses, please fill in and return your pious list as soon as possible.

Lists and envelopes are available at the back of church.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

We are very sorry. Try as we might, we are unable to provide a wordsearch this week. Thankfully, Alison will be back next week! Fr Graeme and Fr Martin



Sunday 11th October 2026– 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, P.414 (Blue) P.684 (Red)

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**  
Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs  
09:00 - 16:30

**PARISH ADMINISTRATOR**  
Alison Fish

**SAFEGUARDING REP**  
Sharon Hobin

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**  
w/c 4th Oct

Gift Aid: £99  
Loose Plate: £305.49  
Standing Orders: £347.54

Sincere thanks for your kind and generous donations. This week's special collection is for PACT.



## THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Chorley

### REFLECTION

This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection (see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments.

The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbor. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor.

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

Susan Yates - John Roscoe - Sharon Hamill - Gladys Goulding - Theresa Abernethy  
Irene Griffiths—Brian Taylor - Jackie Catterall - Judith Daniels - Marion McFarlane

*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, especially  
Agnes Parkinson, Tom Duffy, Joseph Welsh and Dot Fairclough 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

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027

If you would like to register your child for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion, registration forms are available after Mass today. Please remind anybody who may be interested, that registration is open until **1<sup>st</sup> November**.  
Thankyou.

### OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, a powerful prayer entrusted to us by Our Lady. This month invites us to mediate more deeply on the mysteries of Christ through Mary's eyes. On October 15, we celebrate St Teresa of Avila, the Great Doctor of the Church and reformer of the Carmelite order. May the Rosary, prayed faithfully, lead us ever close to Christ.

### ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Each November, we celebrate our annual Mass of Remembrance, at which we remember all those parishioners who have died in the last twelve months. This year our celebration will be held on Wednesday, 18th November at 6:30pm. All our welcome to attend.



### BAPTISM

Today we welcome in Baptism at St Gregory's  
**Coby, Rory and Noah Bradley**

Please keep them and there families in your prayers as they start out on their faith journey.

### DONATE

As well as the card reader, you can donate one-off donations by using the QR code on the front of the newsletter

### SCRIPTURE THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most  
High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty"  
*Psalms 91:1*

## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

| Date        | Time             | Dedication                        | Intention                                                                                | Notes                                 |
|-------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| SUN 25 Oct  | 9:30am<br>6:30pm | 30th SUNDAY IN<br>ORDINARY TIME   | Jim Parkinson<br>Christina Catterall (BR)<br><br>Special Intention<br>Paul Walmsley (LD) | ST<br>GREGORY'S                       |
| SUN 25 Oct  | 11:00am          | 30th SUNDAY IN<br>ORDINARY TIME   | People of the Parish                                                                     | ST<br>OSWALD'S<br>Prisoners<br>Sunday |
| Mon 26 Oct  | 10:00am          | St Chad                           | Mildred Wilcock (A)                                                                      |                                       |
| Tues 27 Oct | 9.15am           |                                   | LISCF                                                                                    | DEVOTIONS<br>1.00pm-<br>2.00pm        |
| Wed 28 Oct  | 11:00am          | Sts Simon and<br>Jude             | REQUIEM MASS<br>Agnes Parkinson                                                          | EXPOSITION<br>4.00pm-<br>5.00pm       |
| Thur 29 Oct | 9.15am<br>12:00  |                                   | Private Intention<br>FUNERAL SERVICE<br>Tom Duffy                                        | DEVOTIONS<br>1.00pm-<br>2.00pm        |
| Fri 30 Oct  | 8.30am           |                                   | Fernando Da Costa<br>Martins (A)                                                         |                                       |
| Sat 31 Oct  | 10:00am          |                                   | Bernard Rigby (A)<br>Special Intention (RJ)                                              |                                       |
| SUN 1 Nov   | 9:30am<br>6:30pm | ALL SAINTS DAY<br>Mass of Welcome | Baby Jack Critchley<br><br>Bernard Corcoran (A)                                          | ST<br>GREGORY'S                       |
| SUN 1 Nov   | 11:00am          | ALL SAINTS DAY<br>Mass of Welcome | Adrian Hart (A)                                                                          | ST<br>OSWALD'S                        |