

## THE IRENAEUS PROJECT

The Irenaeus Project have extended their outreach programme to the wider community and are looking for volunteers to assist them to cover various aspects of the project. If you have any time available and would like to volunteer, please contact Therese on:

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## SSG SUMMER SCHOOL

The Society of Saint Gregory's Summer School of liturgy and music will take place this year from 4-6 August, via Zoom. This year's theme is 'The God Who Speaks: Celebrating, living and sharing God's Word'. Further details, and online booking, are available at:

<https://www.ssg.org.uk/summer-school-2021/> or by emailing [bookings@ssg.org.uk](mailto:bookings@ssg.org.uk)

## 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.

## WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has designated **25th July 2021** the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The decision to hold a World Day for Grandparents and Older People has come at a time marked by a pandemic and by the suffering of our older generations in every part of the world. Reports of elderly people having to die alone and then some not even being given a proper funeral, have been a cause of deep pain to the Church. The theme chosen by the Holy Father, 'I am with you always', expresses clearly that, during the pandemic and in the better times that will hopefully follow, every church community wishes to be with the elderly always.

Further details about the day can be found [here](#)



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

4th July 2021 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

### St Gregory's RC Church

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### Part of the

### ARCHDIOCESE of LIVERPOOL

Registered Charity No: 232709

### Church Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 15:00

### Parish Administrator:

Christine Edwards

### Safeguarding Rep:

Edward Brierley

## REFLECTION

How often do we tell somebody something that has happened to us only to find we are not believed! We share with others an experience in good faith, hoping to be listened to and believed, but then the exact opposite happens. In today's gospel we hear about Jesus returning to his hometown of Nazareth after performing great miracles. Despite these powerful signs and the teachings Jesus conveyed in the synagogue, the people there still expressed disbelief. The main reason for their lack of faith was their close familiarity with Jesus. They could not fathom that the 'carpenter, the son of Mary' whom they had seen grow up in their midst could be such an extraordinary prophet and even the Messiah! As Jesus sent out his disciples, he prepared them for the possibility of such a response to their message - either they would be welcomed and be able to carry out their ministry fruitfully, or they would be rejected and their ministry would not be accepted. But Jesus was not asking them to do anything he hadn't already done or experienced himself. The fact that not everyone who heard him accepted his message and often he was rejected was not surprising as his message was and still is very challenging. The message Jesus gives us all is one of mercy and compassion, love of strangers and even enemies, forgiveness, and concern for the poor and neglected. Jesus called each of his disciples personally and then sent them out in his name - he trusted them with the responsibility of carrying on his mission and ministry. Today, Jesus calls each of us by our name and entrusts us with the same responsibility. The mission and vocation to hear and share the good news of the gospel and the responsibility of promoting and building the Kingdom of God belongs to all of us. We should not be discouraged if people do not listen to us. Is it not most difficult to bear witness to our faith among those who are closest to us? Jesus himself experienced the alienation of those closest to him so if you are experiencing that too, just remember - Jesus can relate to your situation and he can provide strength and comfort to you.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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CARPENTER	MARY	JAMES
JUDE	JESUS	DESPISED
OWN	COUNTRY	HOUSE



### WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 27th June 2021

Gift Aid: **£122.00**

Loose Plate: **£182.20**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

### 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,  
 especially Elizabeth Heyes

*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

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children at both St Gregory's & St Oswald's who will be making their First Holy Communion over the next few weekends. Due to the ongoing Covid restrictions, this year they will celebrate the sacrament in small groups rather than together as a year group. Please keep all our children and their families in your prayers as they take this next important step in their faith journeys.



## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 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
Mon 05 July	8:30am	St Anthony Mary Zaccaria	Jane Moore (F)	
Tues 06 July	9:15am 10:00am	St Maria Goretti	Phyllis Rourke Deirdre & Bernard (recently married)	St Oswald's Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Wed 07 July	8:30am		Louis Nightingale (LD)	
Thur 08 July	10:00am		The Wilcock Family (F)	Devotions 1:00pm-2:00pm
Fri 09 July	8:30am	St Augustine Zhao Rong & his companions	Rev G Britt	
Sat 10 July	10:00am		John Phelan (A)	First Holy Communion
Sun 11 July	9:30am	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	John Fishwick (A)	First Holy Communion
Sun 11 July	11:00am	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Phyllis Rourke	St Oswald's Coppull