

COP26

Please continue to pray for the success of the UN climate talks in Glasgow, COP26,.

### CONFIRMATION AT ST GREGORY'S

Congratulations to all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Gregory's & St Mary's during this past week, please continue to keep them all in your prayers.

### ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

In November, we celebrate our Annual Mass of Remembrance at which we remember all those parishioners who have died in the last twelve months. Due to Covid restrictions, we were unable to hold our service last year. This year, celebrations will be held on:

**Tuesday 23rd November at 7:00pm at St Oswald's, Coppull**

**& Thursday 25th November at 7:00pm at St Gregory's, Weld Bank**

The names of those who have died in the past two years will be read out and a candle will be lighted in their memory. All are welcome to attend.

### SONGS OF PRAISE FOR NOVEMBER

As during the month of November we remember especially those who have died, there will be a special Songs of Praise on **Thursday 25th November at 1:00pm** at St Gregory's at which we will play the favourite hymns of our loved ones. The service will be available via the LiveStream and will also be recorded for those who may not be able to watch it live. If you would like to request a favourite hymn of your loved one, please let me know the name of the hymn and your intention as soon as possible. Thank you.

### INFORMAL SCRIPTURE SHARING - ALL INVITED!

We are starting a new group meeting once a month to explore how we can live out the Gospel whilst facing the challenges of our times. Our first meeting will be on **Thursday 11th Nov. 10:30 - 11:30am @ St. Gregory's Church House.** Do come along!

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

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BEWARE  
 SCRIBES  
 SYNAGOGUES  
 MARKET  
 BANQUETS  
 LONG  
 SEVERE  
 PRAYERS  
 POOR  
 TREASURY  
 WIDOW  
 PENNY



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

7th November 2021 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

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### Part of the ARCHDIOCESE of LIVERPOOL

Registered Charity No: 232709

### Church Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 15:30

### Parish Administrator:

Christine Edwards

### Safeguarding Rep:

Edward Brierley

### WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 31st October 2021

Gift Aid: **£107.00**

Loose Plate: **£305.93**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

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

### REFLECTION

Today, the church encourages us to learn, and appreciate the virtues of generosity and hospitality. Today's readings challenge us to remember that all we have comes from God and that we must be willing to give back. In the first reading, a widow shares what little she has with Elijah, and she is rewarded with abundance. The psalm praises God for his generosity and mercy and in the second reading St Paul tells us that Jesus offered himself for our salvation once and for all. In today's gospel, Jesus observes the poor widow who generously gives what little she has to the treasury. During the time of Jesus there was a lot of pressure to fit in and take on the culture of the Romans and the Greeks, who were dominant at this time. The scribes did not give in. Instead, they used the symbols and trappings of their faith to display their counter-culture. This made them popular with the Jews and gave them a sort of prestige of opposition which made them appear brave and gave them a lot of honour among their fellow Jews - but did they do it because of faith or because they wanted honour? The widow on the other hand had nothing to gain by giving away everything - her bravery is of a different type. The scribes gained wealth by teaching and putting on the external trappings of faith and while this did not earn them any goodwill with the Romans, it did make them appear heroic in the eyes of the other Jews. The widow's sacrifice on the other hand was real and impacted her life. She gave before looking after her own needs, while the scribes gave to fill the needs of their egos. The story of the widow's mite shows true sacrifice - she trusted in God. So, the theme for today is how much are we willing to give to God? Are we willing to give everything, to be truly courageous in giving of our time, talent, and treasure - or are we holding back? The church reminds us that, as Christ generously gave himself for our salvation, we too must be generous to those in need. In life, moments of scarcity, are moments of tests, yet they are also moments of great blessings. Remember, God knows our needs and how to meet them, all we need to do is to trust in him. As the psalm says *'The Lord is My Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want'*.

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

Maureen Jackson - Madge Henshaw - 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 - Caroline Rigby - Anthony Crilly - Bernard Marmion

*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  
*Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
 May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

### MASS/SERVICE TIMES

#### WEEKDAY SERVICES

MONDAY: **ROSARY** 9:30am, **HOLY MASS** 10:00am (St Gregory's)  
 TUESDAY: **ROSARY** 8:50am, **HOLY MASS** 9:15am (St Oswald's)  
 TUESDAY: **DEVOTIONS** 1:00pm - 2:00pm (St Gregory's)  
 WEDNESDAY: **ROSARY** 8:00am, **HOLY MASS** 8:30am (St Gregory's)  
 THURSDAY: **ROSARY** 8:50am, **HOLY MASS** 9:15am (St Oswald's)  
 THURSDAY: **DEVOTIONS** 1:00pm - 2:00pm (St Gregory's)  
 FRIDAY: **ROSARY** 8:00am, **EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE** 8:30am (St Gregory's)  
 FRIDAY: **ROSARY** 8:50am, **EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE** 9:15am (St Oswald's)  
 SATURDAY: **ROSARY** 9:30am, **HOLY MASS** 10:00am (St Gregory's)

#### SUNDAY MASSES

**HOLY MASS** 9:30am & 6:30pm (St Gregory's) & 11:00am (St Oswald's)

### BAPTISMS



Today we welcome in Baptism at St Gregory's  
**Oliver David Parkinson & Albie Michael Gilmore**  
 Please keep them and their families in your prayers  
 as they start out on their faith journey.

If you would like to arrange a Baptism for your child,  
 please see Fr Graeme after Mass.

### REAL CHRISTMAS TREES



'The Friends of St Gregory's (FOSG) are once again pleased to be  
 offering top quality Nordmann Fir Christmas trees, the most  
 luxurious Christmas trees you will find at a fraction of the retail  
 cost. Various sizes are available.

Order forms are available in the church porch.

## MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

All of the Masses in November will be offered for the intentions of those on the Pious List

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 07 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm	32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Barbara Cross (A) Ronald Boam (A)  Rory Harty (S) Mary Josephine Riding (A)	Baptisms at St Gregory's
Sun 07 Nov	11:00am	32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Amy Ogden (A) Bernadette Davis (BR)	St Oswald's
Mon 08 Nov	10:00am		Ann Gerard (F) William Dearden (BR)	
Tues 09 Nov	9:15am	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	Rev G Britt Ann & Alec Shepherd (BR) In Thanksgiving for Ordination (Fr Graeme)	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 10 Nov	8:30am	St Leo the Great	John Gilgun (A) Stephen Cartmell (F)	
Thur 11 Nov	9:15am	St Martin of Tours	Alan Macdonald	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 12 Nov	8:30am 9:15am	St Josaphat	<b>EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE</b>  <b>EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE</b>	
Sat 13 Nov	10:00am		The Horan Family Gerald Thompson (A)	
Sun 14 Nov	9:30am 6:30pm		Kath & Jim Dunn Cora Bernadette Holt (A)  Special Intention	<b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</b>  
Sun 14 Nov	11:00am	32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Special Intention	<b>World Day of the Poor</b>