

# St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

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## 4/5<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017, FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ( YEAR A)

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Cath Austin, Mary Barratt, Silver Beckham Bazira, Vincent Coleman, Sophie Connor, Louise Cooke, Gladys Cuscito, Patricia Danes, Carol Denny, Gary Denstone, Roy Donnelly, Patricia Elliot, Mary Foster, Barry Geedon, Toby Goold, Anthony Hathaway, Mary Hedderman, Maureen Hunt, Margaret Kay, Anne Kingland, Mildred Madden, Tom Mahon, Isabelle Mantella, Ted Martyn, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Cristina Valentino, Pat Wade, David & Frances Westcott, Noel Wheatle, Amy Williamson, Cynthia Thompson, Suzie Weston, Vera Roche, Brian Harrison, Andree Jones, Mary Lamming, Gabrielle Edwardes and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

**ANNIVERSARIES in FEBRUARY:** John Mitchell, Phyllis Langstaff, Ennio Dionisi, Dominic Lavelle, Eileen O'Brien, Peter Davies, Vincent Murphy, Malcom Best, Emilia Trzaska, Jennifer Gurr, John McKay, Yvette Gittins, Joan Davies, Kathleen Quayle, Jennifer Snodgrass, Andrew Jowett, Phylis Keenan, Barbara Bell, John Martyn, John Mitchell, Irene McWalter, Matilda Clayton-Wright, Margaret Gray, Terence Cosgrove, Martin Kelly,

**LATELY DEAD:** Else Burdon, Marguerite Tyler, Harry Nicolls, Clive Gunter, Bernadette Snell, R.I.P.

- **CELEBRATIONS:**

-	Monday	-	St. Paul Miki & Comp
-	Friday	-	St. Scholastica.
- **CHURCH CLEANING:** St Gregory's: Leonardo Cuscito

### ST GREGORY'S

Saturday for Sunday                      5.30pm    Mass            Michael & Annie Kivlehan    (RIP)            (Cristina Woodhouse)

### SUNDAY

<u>ST. GREGORY'S</u>	8.15 am	Mass	People of the Parish		
<u>SHOTTERY:</u>	9.30 am.	Mass	Terry Cosgrove	(anniversary)	(Margaret Cosgrove)
<u>ST. GREGORY'S</u>	11.15 am.	Mass	Maria & Jan Kavalczyk	(anniversary)	(Cristina Valentino)
	1.00 pm.	Polish Mass			

### ST. GREGORY'S

Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am.	Communion Service.	
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am.	Mass.	John Mitchell                      (anniversary) (Marie Taft)
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am.	Mass.	Private Intention                      (AA)
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am.	Requiem Mass for Marguerite Taylor	
Friday	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am.	Mass.	The Intentions of the C.W.L.
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 - 11.30 am CONFESIONS		

Saturday for Sunday:                      5.30 pm.    Mass                                      Dennis Power    (RIP)    (Adams family)

### 12<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>ST. GREGORY'S</u>	8.15 am.	Mass	Jean Laurens	(LD)	(D. Laurens & family)
<u>SHOTTERY</u>	9.30 am.	Mass	Vincent Murphy	(R.I.P)	(M. Murphy)
<u>ST. GREGORY'S</u>	11.15am.	Mass	People of the Parish		

**SECOND COLLECTION**, this weekend, 4/5<sup>th</sup> February for Pro-Life.

# NOTICES FOR THIS WEEK

**We welcome to our congregation visitors to Stratford and those who have recently moved into our Parish.  
Do please make yourselves known to the Priest.**

- **PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING.** 7-8pm on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> February.
- **PRESENTATION AND CONSULTATION ON RE-ORDERING OF ST. GREGORY'S** at 7pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February at St. Greg's.
- **FR. CLEMENT'S DOCTORATE:** many congratulations to Fr. Clement who has been awarded his doctorate. This is a great achievement which he accomplished whilst helping in the parish. He acknowledges the help of Fr. Alex in his thesis and ends his acknowledgements "May the Lord Almighty bless him and the parishioners of St. Gregory's, Stratford abundantly."
- **SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend, 4/5<sup>th</sup> February for Pro-Life. Gift Aiders please use the appropriate dated envelope, cheques payable to St. Gregory's R.C. Parish. Thank-you.
- **SVP:** next meeting date is at 7.45pm on 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> February in the Parish Room.
- **LUNCH CLUB.** The next luncheon date are 20<sup>th</sup> February, 20<sup>th</sup> March. If you have booked any lunch and then are unable to attend, please contact Helen on 01789 550545, or Val on 01789 293267, this is important for catering numbers.
- **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSE:** the next course will be held at 11.30am on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> February in the Parish room.
- **YOUTH MINISTRY CONFERENCE:** Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> March at Alton Castle, 10.00am -6.30pm. Contact 01675466912. Volunteers to required to attend. If interested please contact Fr. Alex.
- **VOCATIONS CONFERENCE FOR YOUNG MEN,** Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Contact Chris Smith on 07730 653787
- **LOURDES 2017.** The parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May to Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Cost £500, 10% discount for children under12. Booking forms and further enquiries from Jane Chamberlain 07-790-456-026
- **FR. BONIFACE'S GOLDEN JUBLIEE.** Please send photos or messages for compilation of a tribute book on Fr. Boniface to Mrs. M. Ormsby, at [mormsby@btinternet.com](mailto:mormsby@btinternet.com) or by post to St. Elizabeth's church, Hall Road, Scarisbrick L40 9QE
- **LINEN LAUNDERER:** a big "thank you" to Diane Hunt who has done such a wonderful job but now wishes to retire as laundress of the altar cloths at St. Gregory's. If you could volunteer to do this from now on, please contact the parish office.
- **CAR PARKING at the Presbytery:** please note that the Presbytery car park is solely for the use of disabled worshippers, for deliveries, office and maintenance staff, and for those carrying out specific church duties. Please do not block Fr. Alex's car in and, if one of the permitted parkers, please park your car considerately.
- **COMMUNITY CLUB:** Please feel free to come for an opportunity to meet & talk with friends old & new every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of month (except July & August.)
- **STRATFORD LIFE** would be delighted to receive donations of quality items or unwanted gifts to sell on their 'market stall' held outside the Care Centre. Items can be left at the Stratford LIFE Care Centre on Windsor Street on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between 12.30 and 1.30pm. Alternatively to arrange collection please leave a message on the Care Centre answerphone on 01789 299645. No electrical or food items please Thank you.
- **CATHOLIC SINGLES** is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website / email [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk)
- **ST. GREGORY'S & OUR LADY OF PEACE** donate to the Stratford Food Bank and the Cyrenian Charity. Items should have a shelf life of at least 3 months. Please leave contributions in the box in the church porch. **THANKS** to all who have donated food so generously.
- **BEREAVEMENT TEAM:** parishioners can contact a member of the team on 07592572978 or email [stgregorysbt@gmail.com](mailto:stgregorysbt@gmail.com) or complete a form available in the church porch.
- **BIBLE GROUP: Tuesdays 7.30 p.m.** The Bible Group meets every to review the following Sunday's readings. All welcome.
- **HOLY HOUR 7.00pm on Thursdays.** All are welcome.
- **GIFT AID:** If you are interested in joining the scheme please contact Clive Hamilton on 01789 731387 or by e-mail [stgregorysgiftaid@aol.co.uk](mailto:stgregorysgiftaid@aol.co.uk). If you are already in the scheme please contact him with any questions you may have or any changes such as of address or tax status.
- **PARISH OFFICE:** The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday mornings. Telephone 01789 292439. Our email address is: [stgregorysua@btconnect.com](mailto:stgregorysua@btconnect.com)
- **RECENT COLLECTIONS:** Weekend 28/29<sup>th</sup> January 2017  
Loose: £462.29      Gift Aid: £ 585.22      Boxes: £81.08  
Thank you for your generosity.

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**Readings Next Sunday:** Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle A) Collins Sunday Missal

Ecclesiasticus: 15: 15-20. Psalm 118:1-2. 4-5.17-18. 33-34 R v:1. First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 2:6-10. Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37