

Prayers for the Sick and Housebound: Cath Austin, Mary Barratt, Roy Baylis, Silver Beckham Bazira, Vincent Coleman, Sophie Connor, Louise Cooke, Gladys Cuscito, Carol Denny, Gary Denstone, Roy Donnelly, Gabrielle Edwardes, Patricia Elliot, Mary Foster, Barry Geedon, Maureen Harper, Brian Harrison, Anthony Hathaway, Mary Hedderman, Maureen Hunt, Andree Jones, Margaret Kay, Anne Kingland, Mary Lamming, Mike Lowe, Mildred Madden, Tom Mahon, Isabelle Mantella, Ted Martyn, Dominic Momcilovic, Maria Naldi, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Vera Roche, Michael Seeney, Cynthia Thompson, Cristina Valentino, David & Frances Westcott, Suzie Weston Noel Wheatle, Amy Williamson, , and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

Anniversaries in May: Joyce Emtage, Renata Graham, Mary Bellamy, James Emmerson, Bernard Finch, Susannah Harris, Ena Rutherford, Alice McGarr, Edith Yates, John Harper, Hamish Nicol, Sarah Dowd, Audrey de Mink, Ranelagh Woodhouse, William McGory, John Thompson, John Joyce.

Lately Dead: Jim Stuart (husband of Frankie Spray). David Westcott, Andy Crean-Lynch. Joanna Watkins. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Church Cleaning: St Gregory's: Anne Connor

Recent Collections. Weekend 29/30th April 2017.

Loose: £722.57, Gift Aid: £586.45, Boxes: £72.05

Thank you for your generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend, 6/7th May for **Clergy Training Fund**. Gift Aiders please use the appropriate dated envelope, cheques payable to St. Gregory's R.C. Parish. Thank-you.

SPECIAL COLLECTION next weekend, 13/14th May for **Christian Aid**. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please use one of the red Christian Aid envelopes from the back of the church. Thank you.

St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

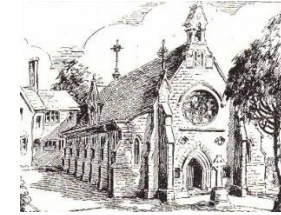
This Parish is served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey.

Parish Priest:

Fr. Alex Austin (OSB)

Parish Office:

Open Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday
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6/7th May 2017. Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A)

Saturday 6th	10.30-11.30 am 5.30 pm.	Confessions for children attending non-Catholic schools. Mass. Vincent & Joseph Smith (anni) (K & M Smith)
Sunday 7th	8.15 am.	Mass. Kathleen Walsh (RIP) (Jayne Cziok)
	11.15 am.	Mass. Rita Falconer (RIP) (The Irving family)
	1.00 pm.	Polish Mass
Monday 8th	9.30 am	Communion Service.
Tuesday 9th	9.30 am	Mass. Pat Danes (LD) (Bridie Guerney)
Wednesday 10th	9.30 am.	Mass. Pat Danes (LD) (Dorothy Laurens)
Thursday 11th	9.30 am.	Mass. Yrs 5 & EYFS. Private Intention (AA)
	7.00 pm.	Mass in the Guild Chapel. James & Florence Saunders (RIP) (Dorothy Laurens)
Friday 12th	7.00 pm.	Mass for the Bereaved (Shelia Burchill) (RIP)

13/14th May 2017. Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year A)

Saturday 13th	10.30-11.30 am 5.30 pm.	Confessions. Mass. John McKay (RIP) (Mike & Maureen Powell)
Sunday 14th	8.15 am.	Mass. People of the Parish
	11.15 am.	Mass. Arthur & Bridie Kiely (RIP) (A. Kiely)

Our Lady of Peace, Shottonery.

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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.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, and Douai Abbey Parishes Trust.
Registered Charity Number 1063237

- **ECUMENICAL TRIP TO DOUAI ABBEY** Sunday 21st May 12pm – 9pm. Cost £20. Includes tour, tea and talks. Last chance to sign list at back of churches!
- **ROSARY:** during the month of May the Rosary will be said after weekday morning masses.
- **7th MAY is GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY:** it provides an opportunity to thank God for the gift of our priests who preach the word of God, and bring the power of Christ's real presence into our lives by celebrating the sacraments. It is a day when it is good to thank God for the many priests who have been witnesses to the Catholic faith in our lives. So, on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, please pray for an increase in priestly and religious vocations in our archdiocese. Thank you.
- **AN INVITATION TO FIND OUT** what woman of the diocese are doing in your area: if you care about your faith and the community please come along on Monday, 8th May to St. Mary's church, School Lane, Alvechurch B48 7SA. 7.30, till 9pm
- **EVANGELISATION TEAM:** Our next meeting for the Warwick Deanery parishes is on **Monday 8th May** at 7.30pm in the upper Davenport Room, St Peter's Parish Centre, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa CV32 5AE. It is hoped that each parish will be represented. Contact Peter Dimambro 01926 428399
mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk
- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** parents meeting at 6pm on Tuesday 9th May in St. Gregory's school.
- **GUILD CHAPEL MASS** at 7.00pm on Thursday 11th May.
- **AN INVITE FROM THE BEREAVEMENT TEAM.** All are welcome to the mass offered for those who are bereaved or have experienced loss in their lives. Friday 12 May 7pm at St Gregory's. Refreshments will be served afterwards for people to have the opportunity to meet. If you would like to help in any way, with singing, music, refreshments, please contact 07592572978 or email stgregorysb@gmail.com
- **SVP.** Next meeting date is at 7.45pm 15th May in Parish Room
- **FATIMA CENTENARY 1917/2017 – CELEBRATION EVENT,** Saturday 13th May at St Peter Apostle church, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa CV32 5AE which is a pilgrimage church in the archdiocese for the Centenary Year. Mass at 10am. Film the 13th Day in afternoon. For details see St Peter's website: www.stpetersleamington.org
- **BAPTISM PREPARATION INSTRUCTION** will take place at 11.00am on Saturday May 20th in the parish room. This is for those parents who already have a date for the Baptism and for those who are planning to have their child baptised in the near future. Please contact the parish office for information on stgregorysua@btconnect.com.
- **LUNCH CLUB.** The next luncheon date is 22nd May. 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.
- **LOURDES 2017.** The parish pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from Friday 26th May to Monday 29th May 2017. Cost £500, 10% discount for children under 12. Booking forms and further enquiries from Jane Chamberlain 07-790-456-026
- **BRIGHTLIGHTS FESTIVAL** is an annual event for Catholic young adults (ages 16-30) taking place June 23rd – 26th in the beautiful grounds of Alton Castle in Staffordshire. Come and join us for a weekend of live music from artists including One Hope Project and Guvna B. To journey together in Faith through liturgy and worship. To find out more information or book tickets, visit our website: brightlights.org.uk, call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival
- **COMMUNITY CLUB:** Please feel free to come for an opportunity to meet & talk with friends old & new every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of month (except July & August.)
- **STRATFORD FOODBANK** message: "we are currently very short of the following items: long life UHT juice, tinned vegetables, tinned potatoes instant mashed potatoes, rice pudding, tinned fruit, and biscuits." All donations to box in St. Greg's porch. Thank you.
- **BIBLE GROUP:** Tuesdays 7.30pm. The Bible Group meets every week to review the following Sunday's readings. All welcome.
- **WARWICK DEANERY WEBSITE:** this can now be found at www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk
- **GOING INTO HOSPITAL:** Please let your priest know if you are going into hospital. It is essential that you ask for the Catholic chaplain when in hospital as chaplains are no longer automatically given names of Catholic patients. Many health care providers (eg. hospitals, nursing homes, mental health units) apportion resources for chaplaincy in line with how many requests are made so you are actually doing the church a favour by requesting the Chaplaincy and sacraments whilst there.
- **BEREAVEMENT TEAM:** parishioners can contact a member of the team on 07592572978 or email stgregorysb@gmail.com. or complete a form available in the church porch.
- **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. If you are already in the scheme please contact him with any questions you may have or any changes of address or tax status.
- **PARISH OFFICE:** The office is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday mornings. Telephone 01789 292439. Please note: Monday is Fr. Alex's day off. Our email address is: stgregorysua@btconnect.com