

**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, 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, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Vera Roche, Michael Seeney, Cristina Valentino, David & Frances Westcott, Noel Wheatle, Amy Williamson, Cynthia Thompson, Suzie Weston, Maureen Harper, Michael Seeney, Maria Naldi, Dominic Momcilovic, and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

**Anniversaries in April:** John Corvin, Nesta Barnacle, William Lees, Bridget Nield, Shelia Fryer, Doris Horgan, Alexander Chapman, Kenneth Whateley, Emma Hartnell, Brian Wilson, Catherine Swinnerton, Amy Finch, Rodger Wade, Vicki Crowton, James Tunstall, Aniello Valentino, Kam Fung Lee, Sandi Bottone, Ellen Newns, Leonara Clarke, Mary Bryan, Carolina Sozanska, Norma Coleman,

**Lately Dead:** Rachel Bird. 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: The Polish Group

**Recent Collections.** Weekend 8/9th April 2017.

Loose: £485.75, Gift Aid: 525.51, Boxes: £. Flowers for the Churches: £243.31

Thank you for your generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION** on 14<sup>th</sup> April for Holy Places. Gift Aiders please use appropriate dated envelopes. Cheques made payable to St. Gregory's R.C. Parish. Thank you.

## **St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon**

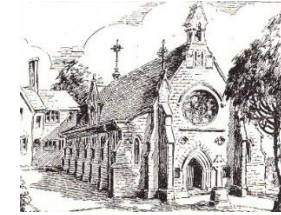
This Parish is served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey.

### **Parish Priest:**

Fr. Alex Austin (OSB)

### **Parish Office:**

Open Tuesday,  
Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday mornings



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<b>15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Year A)</b>			
<b>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00 pm.</b>	<b>The Easter Vigil</b>	Tony Melton (RIP) (M. Bright)
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Solemn High Mass.</b>	Clive Gunter (LD) (Doreen Morris)
	<b>1.00 pm.</b>	<b>Polish Mass</b>	
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Communion Service.</b>	
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Private Intention (Bottone Family)
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Patricia Danes (LD) (Bottone Family)
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Fr. Bonaventure Knollys OSB (LD)
<b>Friday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Sandi (RIP) (Nico)
	<b>7.00 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Dame Celia Beanland OSB (LD)
<b>22/23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017. Second Sunday of Easter (Year A)</b>			
<b>Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Owen Beirne (LD) (Beirne)
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>8.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Helen Mason (RIP) (Nuala Crawley)
	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	Mary Bryan (RIP) (Doreen Morris)

### **Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.**

<b>15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Year A)</b>			
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Family Mass.</b>	Maugrite Lowe (anniversary) (Mike Lowe)
<b>22/23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017. Second Sunday of Easter (Year A)</b>			
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b>	People of the Parish

**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

- **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
- **BIBLE GROUP:** Tuesdays 7.30pm. The Bible Group meets every week to review the following Sunday's readings. All welcome.
- **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.)
- **LUNCH CLUB.** The next luncheon dates are 24<sup>th</sup> April, and 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.
- **SVP.** Next meeting date is at 7.45pm 24<sup>th</sup> April in Parish Room
- **AN EVENING OF SONG & PRAYER:** at 7:00pm on Saturday 22nd April 2017 at St. Gregory's led by local music group "Revival" who have been leading Song & Prayer for over 15 years, at mass and evening celebrations. The Music is mainly contemporary both reflective and upbeat but there is a splattering of some of the old favourites. Free admission with refreshments served after 5:30 pm mass and during the interval. Please come and support.
- **ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE,** 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017. £599.99 per person sharing. Includes flight, taxes, transfers, 5 nights' Knock House Hotel with Breakfast and Dinner. All tours included. Contact Patricia on 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock Pilgrimages ATOL T7613.
- **MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING:** Lorna Smith, a parishioner at St. Joseph the Worker in Bidford, is holding her 25th (and last) coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support from 10am to 12.30 pm on Wednesday 26th April at Welford and Weston on Avon Memorial Hall. Stalls include plants, cakes, preserves, bric-a-brac and more. All welcome to attend.
- **ECUMENICAL TRIP TO DOUAI ABBEY** Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 12pm – 9pm. Cost £20. Includes tour, tea and talks. Please sing list at back of churches.
- **LENT LUNCH SATURDAY** 1st April. Parishioners from St Gregory's and OLP supported this event in large numbers. Thanks to all who attended, all those who provided prodigious amounts of wonderful soups, breads and cheese; and those who supported the raffle. We also had very kind donations from those who could not attend. Special thanks for all those amazing parishioners who worked so hard in the kitchen and those who helped clear up. This event raised **a wonderful and generous £628.00**. This sum will be donated to the Disasters Emergency Committee appeal (via CAFOD) in support of those many millions of children, families, old and young who are suffering the terrible consequences of deepest Famine and Drought in East Africa.
- **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.
- **YOUTH EVENT: TAIZE, BIRMINGHAM** Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. "Hidden Treasure", over 300 have booked their place already. With 120 young people booking for the under 18's day. Come and be a part of this unique ecumenical experience right in the heart of our diocese. A young adult gathering of workshops, forums, presentations, Taizé prayer, time with the brothers and a chance to meet Christian young people from across Europe. See posters on church notice boards and to register or find out more go the website [www.taize.fr/birmingham](http://www.taize.fr/birmingham).
- **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. And to hear simulating input the possibilities of living life: UNLIMITED. To find out more information or book tickets, visit our website: [brightlights.org.uk](http://brightlights.org.uk), call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival
- **WARWICK DEANERY WEBSITE:** this can now be found at [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk)
- **PARISH WHEELCHAIR:** The wheelchair is available for use at any of our services and events by any parishioner who needs it, to ease their journey from vehicle to pew or parish room. The wheelchair is kept by the font at the back of the church in the old Baptistery. Please return after use.
- **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.
- **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 of address or tax status.
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