

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, Bill Johnson, Margaret Kay, Anne Kingland, Mary Lamming, Mike Lowe, Mildred Madden, Tom Mahon, Isabelle Mantella, Ted Martyn, Dominic Momcilovic, Helena Myczko, Maria Naldi, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Vera Roche, John Somers, Cynthia Thompson, Cristina Valentino, David & Frances Westcott, Suzie Weston Noel Wheatle, Margaret Young, Margaret Bullen, and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

Anniversaries in August: Barbara Masslen, Kathleen Loughran, John Purves, Mary Young, Pauline Lees, Kathleen Kilbride, Sheela Burchill, Maria Fowler, Anne Dyke, Clarice Leary, Teresa Vaughan, Kathleen Finch, Frederick Tew, Stuart Cooke, John Leeson, Majorie Terrall.

Lately Dead: Georgette Burvill

Church Cleaning: St Gregory's: Maureen Thompson & Nuala Crawley

Recent Collections.

Weekend 19/20th August 2017. Loose: £383.92, Gift Aid: £542.15, Boxes: £123.39 & £88.01.

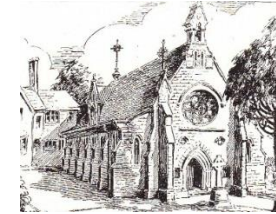
Thank you for your generosity.

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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26/27th August the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)		
Saturday 26th	5.30 pm	Mass. John Moore (LD) (Etta Mahon)
Sunday 27th	8.15 am	NO MASS
	11.15 am	Mass. Angela Pritchard (recovery) (Gaynor Jones)
	1.00 pm	Polish Mass
Monday 28th	9.30 am	Communion Service.
Tuesday 29th	9.30 am	Communion Service.
Wednesday 30th	9.30 am	Communion Service.
Thursday 31st	9.30am	Communion Service.
Friday 1st	9.30pm	Communion Service.
2/3rd September the Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)		
Saturday 2nd	5.30 pm	Mass. Michael Pozzi (anni) (Nick Pozzi, Mary Steed.)
Sunday 3rd	8.15 am	NO MASS
	11.15am	People of the Parish Baptisms: Owen Wendell Lewis-Wheatley Beatrice Ironmonger-Ogwang, Olivier Konieczny
No Confessions.		
Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.		
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Sunday 3rd	9.30 am.	Mass St. Gregory's Parish Office staff (Mike Lowe)

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.

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- **FR. CLEMENT** has now returned to Nigeria. We congratulate him again on his doctorate, thank him for all his invaluable work in the parish and wish him every blessing for his future. He is assured of our prayers. He will be returning next year for a belated farewell party and presentation.
- **FR. CLEMENT'S LEAVING LUNCH:** many thanks to Chris Danes for organizing and to all who attended at such short notice. It was a lovely occasion.
- **MESSAGE FROM FR. CLEMENT:** "Kindly include in the newsletter my unalloyed gratitude to Fr. Alex and the entire parishioners for the surprise get-together meal at the River Side. Indeed, it was fun and happy sharing from the parishioners. More so, the Church was well represented by parishioners of St. Gregory and Our Lady of Peace Shoterly. I am so grateful."
- **8.15 am MASS** is temporarily suspended after 20th August until the arrival of a new curate.
- **NEXT PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING:** Thursday, 7th Sept. at 7.00pm in Parish room.
- **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES** will begin with Registration, Wednesday 6th September, 7.00pm at St. Gregory's. There will be eight weekly classes, details to follow. Candidates please email your names to the Parish Office stgregorysua@btconnect.com
- **CONFIRMATIONS** will take place on Friday 15th December at 7pm. with Bishop William Kenny celebrating.
- **SVP:** No meetings in August. Next meetings after summer break are 4th & 18th September, 2nd & 16th October, 6th & 20th November, 4th & 18th December.
- **C.W.L.** Our next meeting is on Wednesday 6th September at 2pm in the Parish room. Anyone interested in the Catholic Women's League, a world -wide organisation, is very welcome to come along.
- **LUNCH CLUB.** next meeting date 25th September (there is **no** meeting in August.) 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.
- **ST. GREGORY'S RE-ORDERING:** Plans on display at back of church. Please view and give any feedback to Fr. Alex.
- **THANKSGIVING MASSES FOR THE DEAD AND BEREAVED:** celebration masses in thanksgiving for the lives of those lately dead and praying for those whose anniversaries occur each month and their families. The next mass will be on 29th September, at 7.00 pm at St Gregory's church. Other dates for your diary, 27th October, 24th November. For more information contact the bereavement team on 07592572978 or email stgregorysbt@gmail.com.
- **HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE:** Sunday 3rd September. Coach starts at St Peter's Leamington leaving at 10.15am and then leaves St Francis Kenilworth at 10.30am. Tours of Harvington Hall have been booked (at no extra cost) at 12.20pm and 12.45pm. Mass with Bishop Robert Byrne is at 3pm. Bring a chair and a packed lunch. Coach leaves Harvington Hall at 5.30pm. To book coach and

a tour phone Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 or Peter Shiels 01926 853494 (for Kenilworth). Cash payment on day, maximum £15 (may be less), under 16 free.

- **EXPOSITION AND PRAYER DAY FOR VOCATIONS – ST GREGORYS.** Our diocesan day of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for vocations is Tuesday 5th September 2017, 9am – 5pm. Please try to set aside a time for prayer, particularly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. A list is provided at the rear of the church for volunteers. Please enter your name so that we can be sure of a continuous presence throughout the day.
- **PRAYER DAYS FOR VOCATIONS – WARWICK DEANERY.** Please attend these forthcoming Eucharistic Adoration Days for Vocations in our deanery if you possibly can.
Tuesday 12/09/2017 - St Francis of Assisi Baddesley Clinton
Tuesday 19/09/2017 - St Anne Wappenbury
- **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSE:** the next course will be held on Saturday, 16th September at 11.00am in the Parish room.
- **DOUAI ABBEY:** Monastic Experience Weekends. Friday 27th – Sunday 29th October 2017 and Friday 15th - Sunday 17th June 2018. An invitation to men (aged 18-40) to meet the Benedictine monks of Douai Abbey, Berkshire, and to explore our Monastic Experience Programme. Further information: Fr. Gabriel Wilson OSB. pastoral@douaiabbey.org.uk tel: 0118971 5310
- **HAVE YOU** a couple of hours to spare in the week? The League of Friends of Stratford Hospital are looking for "meeters and greeters" to help in the new hospital. Please contact Lila Morgan on 01789 550710
- **L.P.S. CAR PARK:** No charges from Saturday 5pm until Sunday 2.45pm. when it is reserved for church use.
- **HOLY HOUR:** 7.00pm on Thursdays. All are welcome.
- **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
- **BEREAVEMENT TEAM:** parishioners can contact a member of the team on 07592572978 or email stgregorysbt@gmail.com. or complete a form available in the church porch.
- **GIFT AID:** If you are interested in joining the scheme please contact Clive Hamilton on 01789 488047 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

