

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 News, Leonara Clarke, Mary Bryan, Carolina Sozanska, Norma Coleman,

Lately Dead: Jim Stuart (husband of Frankie Spray). David Westcott, Andy Crean-Lynch. 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: Kath Elliott and Mo Lancaster

Recent Collections. Weekend 23/24th April 2017.

Loose: £666.48, Gift Aid: £ 529.00, Boxes: £221.04

Holy Places £ 432.67 Thank you for your generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION next 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.

St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

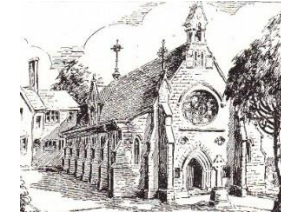
This Parish is served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey.

Parish Priest:

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Parish Office:

Open Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday
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| 29/30th April 2017. Third Sunday of Easter (Year A) | | |
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| Saturday 29th | 10.30-11.30 am 5.30 pm. | Confessions. Mass. John McKay (RIP) & family.(F. McKay & family) |
| Sunday 30th | 8.15 am. | Mass. Bridget (Bridie) Cziok (RIP) (Jayne Cziok) |
| | 11.15 am. | Mass. People the Parish. Baptism: Max Boas |
| | 1.00 pm. | Polish Mass |
| Monday 1st | 9.30 am | Communion Service. |
| Tuesday 2nd | 9.30 am | Mass. John Hirons (LD) (Beirne) |
| Wednesday 3rd | 9.30 am. | Mass. Nicky Newland (anni) (Peter Newland) |
| Thursday 4th | 9.30 am. | Mass. Years 2 & 6 Mary Young (RIP) |
| Friday 5th | 7.00 pm. | Mass. Toby Goold (RIP) J & B Fleetwood |
| 6th/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) |

Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.

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| Sunday 30th | 9.30 am. | Mass. Norma Coleman (RIP 4 th anniv.) (Caroline Wilks) |
| 6/7th May 2017. Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A) | | |
| Sunday 7th | 9.30 am. | Mass. 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

- **C.W.L.** Our next meeting is on Wednesday 3rd May at 2pm in the Parish room. Please do come along, especially if you are new to the parish.
- **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 stgregorysbt@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.
- **ECUMENICAL TRIP TO DOUAI ABBEY** Sunday 21st May 12pm – 9pm. Cost £20. Includes tour, tea and talks. Please sing list at back of churches.
- **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
- **GIFT AID BOXES** for 2017/18 are available for collection from the porches at St. Gregory's and Our Lady of Peace.
- **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.
- **CAN YOU WRITE TO YOUR MP FOR CAFOD?** CAFOD are looking for MP Correspondents within the Stratford-upon-Avon constituency. Your local MP is your link to Parliament and can influence decisions which affect the future of the world's poorest people. By becoming a CAFOD MP Correspondent (MPC), and contacting your MP a few times a year, you can ensure that the voices of many of the world's poorest and most vulnerable people are heard in the corridors of power. Would you like to become an MPC? Do contact Lizzie Wignall, from CAFOD Birmingham, at ewignall@cafod.org.uk or on 01922 722 944. Many thanks.
- **ROSARIES:** any unwanted rosaries can be sent to the Catenian Rosary Group for the Aboriginals in Australia and Missions in the 3rd world African countries. We will continue to collect them at St Gregory's so please continue to bring them to the Parish office for periodic forwarding. Another 30 have been sent recently making a total of 227 sent in the past 2 years.
- **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
- **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 Baptistry. Please return after use.
- **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.
- **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