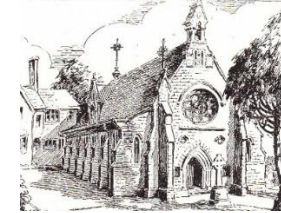


## St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

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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**Prayers for the Sick and Housebound:** Mary Barratt, Roy Baylis, Silver Beckham Bazira, Margaret Bullen, Vincent Coleman, Sophie Connor, Louise Cooke, Gladys Cuscito, Carol Denny, Gary Denstone, Roy Donnelly, Aubrey Dreyden, Gabrielle Edwardes, Patricia Elliot, Mary Foster, Barry Geedon, Maureen Harper, Brian Harrison, Anthony Hathaway, Maureen Hunt, Adelina Coccozza, Bill Johnson, Anne Kingland, Mike Lowe, Mildred Madden, Tom Mahon, Ted Martyn, Dominic Momcilovic, Helena Myczko, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Vera Roche, John Somers, Jocelyn Southall, Cynthia Thompson, Cristina Valentino, Dennis Walsh, Ann and Brian Weston, David Wescott, Suzie Weston, Noel Wheatle, Margaret Young, Christopher Browne, Catherine Browne, Sandra Fenn, Maciej Grudzinski, Mary Mullett, James McHugh, Mary Murphy, 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, Rachel Bird, Kenneth Whateley, Emma Hartnell, Brian Wilson, Catherine Swinnerton, Amy Finch, Rodger Wade, Vicki Crowton, Aniello Valentino, Kam Fung Lee, Sandi Bottone, Mary Bryan, Norma Coleman, Patricia Elliott.

**Lately Dead:** Maureen McNally.

**Church Cleaning:** St Gregory's: The Polish Group.

**Recent Collections.**

Weekend 31/1st April 2018. Loose: £                      Gift Aid: £                      Boxes: £ 112.76

Holy Places £ 610.12

Thank you for your generosity.

**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.  
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<b>7/8<sup>th</sup> April. Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)</b>		
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Dermot Devlin (RIP) & Nora Devlin. (Frances McKay)
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> People of the Parish Baptism: Darcey May Brash. Madison Grace Lancaster
	<b>1.00 pm.</b>	<b>Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Annunciation of the Lord</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Communion Service.</b>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Mary Breatnach (RIP) & family. (Frances McKay)
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St. Stanislaus</i>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Patricia Eillott (RIP)
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Sandra Fenn (recovery) (Barbara Grace)
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> John Palmer (LD) (Beirne)
<b>14/15<sup>th</sup> April. Third Sunday of Easter (Year B)</b>		
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Kiulehan Family (RIP) (F. Woodhouse)
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> People of the Parish
<b>Confessions: Saturday 10.30 – 11.30am.</b>		
<b>Our Lady of Peace, Shottery.</b>		
<b>7/8<sup>th</sup> April. Second Sunday of Easter (Year B)</b>		
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Vincent Murphy (anniversary) (Margaret Murphy)
<b>14/15<sup>th</sup> April. Third Sunday of Easter (Year B)</b>		
<b>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Erskin boys (RIP) (Mike Lowe)

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- **WALK OF WITNESS 2018.** A very big thank you to all those who helped in many different ways to make this a successful event. It is greatly appreciated.
- **GIFT AID** boxes for 2018/19 can be collected from both churches this weekend.
- **SVP Dates:** 21<sup>st</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July, 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September.
- **NEXT ALTAR SERVERS CLUB** on 16<sup>th</sup> May, 5pm – 6pm. Please note meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> April is cancelled.
- **LUNCH CLUB.** next meeting dates are 23<sup>rd</sup> April, & 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018. If you have booked any lunch and then are unable to attend, contact Helen on 01789 550545, or Val on 01789 293267, giving as much notice as possible as is important for catering numbers.
- **HOMELESS IN OUR TOWN.** Thank you to all who have sacrificed their time to make Tuesday evenings successful and rewarding. Rotas are in each church porch. To receive by email, please contact the parish office supplying an up to date email address. Further information from Edmund Blackie 01789 269041 and Maureen Thompson 01789 298678.
- **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS RETREAT DAY.** Here are two opportunities for Eucharistic Ministers to fulfil their obligation to undertake an annual day of reflection:
  1. A parish run day on Sat 12 May at the House of the Open Door near Broadway. Starts at 10.30am and finishes around 4pm. Cost £20 and includes lunch. Shared lifts can be arranged. Book early as places limited. See Maureen Thompson at Mass, phone 298678 or email [maureen.thompson@tsix.co.uk](mailto:maureen.thompson@tsix.co.uk) to put your name down.
  2. A day of reflection for Eucharistic ministers at Belmont Abbey near Hereford HR2 9RZ on Sat 2 June 10am – 4pm, led by Dom Matthew Carney. No need to book just turn up, bring your own lunch. Suggested donation £10
- **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES,** 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Cost £530. If interested in visiting Lourdes and for enquiries, please contact Jane Chamberlain on 07790456026. There is a fund to assist those in need of financial help.
- **MISSION RED BOXES** plus annual payments. Our final figure for 2017 was a wonderful £3665.19. Sincere thanks to everyone and to the promoters for all of their hard work.
- **STRATFORD FOOD BANK** has various opportunities for people who might like to volunteer with the Foodbank. Details of two recently available roles are on the church notice boards and both relate to the administration of the red vouchers which people need to have before they can use the Foodbank. These details are

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also available on their website along with other volunteer roles. The website address is <https://stratforduponavon.foodbank.org.uk/>

- **ST. GREGORY'S & OUR LADY OF PEACE** donate to the Stratford Food Bank. Items should have a shelf life of at least 3 months and can be left in the box in the church porch(s). **THANKS** to all who have donated foods so generously.
- **PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND.** Please take a few minutes to read this and if you know of someone who you feel should be added to or taken off this list on the weekly bulletin, please advise the Parish office. We depend on you to keep us informed of changes.
- **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 them [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk)
- **L.P.S. PARISH 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](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk)
- **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.
- **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](mailto: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.
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