

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, Christopher Browne, Catherine Browne, Margaret Bullen, Vincent Coleman, Sophie Connor, Louise Cooke, Gladys Cuscito, Carol Denny, Gary Denstone, Roy Donnelly, Aubrey Dreyden, Gabrielle Edwardes, Patricia Elliot, Sandra Fenn, Mary Foster, Barry Geedon, Maciej Grudzinski, Maureen Harper, Maureen Hunt, Anne Kingland, Mildred Madden, Ted Martyn, James McHugh, Dominic Momcilovic, Mary Mullett, Mary Murphy, 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, Suzie Weston, Noel Wheatle, Margaret Young, Tony Jones, Clem Rattigan, and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

Anniversaries in May: Joyce Emtage, Renata Graham, Mary Bellamy, James Emmerson, Ruth Mulligan, Bernard Finch, Susannah Harris, Ena Rutherford, Alice McGarr, Edith Yates, John Harper, Hamish Nicol, Sarah Dowd, Ranelagh Woodhouse, Geraldine Jackson, John Thompson, John Joyce.

Lately Dead: Fr. Timothy Horner OSB., Abbot Timothy Wright OSB, Andy Rattigan.

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.

Church Cleaning: St Gregory's: Maria Carvajal.

Recent Collections.

Weekend 12/13th May 2018. Loose: £535.55 Gift Aid: £ 535.80 Boxes: £ 175.72

Catholic communications £ 450.21

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.
Registered Charity Number 1063237

19/20th May. Pentecost Sunday (Year B)		
Saturday 19th	5.30 pm.	Mass. Marie Kiulehan (anniversary)(F. Woodhouse)
Sunday 20th <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	11.15 am.	Mass. People of the Parish. Baptism: Ronan Perera
	1.00 pm.	Polish Mass
Monday 21st <i>Memorial of B.V.M.</i>	9.30 am	Mass. Birthday thanksgiving (Delilah)
Tuesday 22nd	9.30 am.	Communion Service.
Wednesday 23rd	1.30 pm <u>2.00 pm.</u>	Mass. May procession from St. Gregory's school (1.30pm) & mass in church (2.00pm) James Gidlow (anniversary) Judith Lofthouse
Thursday 24th <i>Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ</i>	<u>8.00 am.</u>	Mass for Lourdes pilgrims and any parishioners wishing to join for a send off mass.
Friday 25th <i>St. Bede the Venerable</i>	9.30 am.	Communion Service.
26/27th May. The Most Holy Trinity. (Year B)		
Saturday 26th	5.30 pm.	Mass. Ron Woodhouse (anniversary)(F. Woodhouse)
Sunday 27th	11.15 am.	Mass. Filippo Castروفilippo (G. Castروفilippo)
NO Confessions 26th May		
Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.		
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Sunday 27th	9.30 am.	Mass. People of the Parish

- **WE WELCOME FR. CHRIS GREANEY** who will preside at our eucharist while Fr. Alex is in Lourdes.
- **SECOND COLLECTION for CHRISTIAN AID** this weekend, 18/19th May. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please use one of the **RED** envelopes supplied by Christian Aid to be found at the back of the churches. Thank you.
- **MAY ROSARY.** During the month of May, THE MONTH OF OUR LADY, the rosary will be said after weekday masses.
- **MAY PROCESSION Wednesday 23rd May, 1.30pm** starting from St. Gregory's school.
- **LUNCH CLUB MEETING.** The next meeting dates is 21st 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.
- **SVP Dates:** 21st May, 4th & 18th June, 2nd & 16th July, 10th & 24th September.
- **BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSE:** will now be held on Saturday, 26th May at 11.00am in the Parish room. This is for parents who are thinking of having their children baptised, or for those who missed previously held courses and whose children have already been recently baptised.
- **PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE,** 24th -28th May. Intentions to the parish office.
- **TO ALL THOSE** kind and warm –hearted parishioners who came to listen to the team from Hosanna House Children's Pilgrimage Trust on Thursday, 10th May and who filled our Parish Room to capacity, we want to say a big, big THANK YOU FOR COMING!
- **CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION** 3rd June after 11.15am mass.
- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:**
17th June – 9.30am & 11.15am (school)
24th June – 9.30am (non-school)
- **PRAYER DAYS FOR VOCATIONS – WARWICK DEANERY.** Please attend these forthcoming Eucharistic Adoration Days for Vocations in our deanery if you can.
Friday - 01/06/2018 - St. Peter's, Leamington
Thursday - 07/06/2018 - Our Lady, Lillington
Sunday - 10/06/2018 - St. Mary's, Warwick.
Sunday – 24/6/2018 –St. Charles Borromeo, Hampton-on-the-Hill.
- **STRATFORD CHURCHES TOGETHER AGM.** Sunday 24th June at United Reform Church.
- **ADOREMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, 7-9 SEPTEMBER 2018.** 6 parishioners from the parish will be attending. Over 200 people from our Archdiocese are booked to attend the Eucharistic Congress, *Adoremus* in

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September. Tickets are still available for the Saturday when the focus will be the meaning and power of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please visit the diocesan website www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk. for the full programme and a booking form for the Saturday.

- **MONTH OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** In June 2018 Warwick Deanery Vocations Group are asking us to commit to a month of prayer when our parishioners include vocations as part of their private prayers. More details at the back of the church. Please try to make a commitment within your circumstances and add your initials to the list. Many thanks.
- **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.
- **FIND MASS TIMES WHEN ON HOLIDAY:** "Mass Times" ministry website can help Catholics get to Mass by helping them find churches and worship times worldwide. It hosts and shares the most comprehensive database of Catholic churches and worship times in existence. Dioceses, parishes, and many volunteers help keep the database current. It can be difficult for Catholics to find a right diocesan or parish websites for Mass when travelling or when it is not practical to attend their regular parishes. "Mass Times" makes it much easier to search for a Mass by presenting all the possibilities in a geographical area on one page. (www.masstimes.org)
- **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.
- **NEW DIOCESAN WEBSITE** to found at: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
- **WARWICK DEANERY WEBSITE:** this can now be found at www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk
- **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.
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