

## 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:** Lelia Addy, 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, Brian Harrison, Maureen Hunt, Tony Jones, Phil Kendrick, Anne Kingland, Mildred Madden, Rory Mahon, Ted Martyn, James McHugh, Mary Mullett, Mary Murphy, Helena Myczko, Don O'Donnell, Jean O'Neill, Tom O'Hare, Anne Parkinson, Reg Pillinger, Clem Rattigan, Vera Roche, John Somers, Jocelyn Southall, Cynthia Thompson, Cristina Valentino, Dennis Walsh, Suzie Weston, Noel Wheatle, Margaret Young, Edwin and Anne Weston, Tim McGarry, and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes and known to us.

**Anniversaries in June :** Stephen Moffatt, Jakub Franczuk, Eileen Delaney, Joan Stephens, Rose Fuentabaja, Fred Crowton, Clare White, Ayesha White-Mukumbira, Marjorie Tombs, Antony Laurens, Mary Smith, Isobel Woulfe, Alix Mead, Ralph Thomas, Joe Murphy, Noah Berry, Susan Baily, Patrick Cross, Adela Werbal, Amy Miller, Mary Armfiled, Marguerita Longford.

**Lately Dead:** Andy Rattigan, Fr Michael Jordan.

**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.

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

**Recent Collections.**

Weekend 9/10<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Loose: £ 577.06 Gift Aid: £ 507.20 Boxes: £ 87.28  
Special Collection for Comboni Missionaries £1284.58  
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

<b>16/17<sup>th</sup> June. 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. (Year B)</b>		
<b>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	Mass. Isobel Woulfe (RIP) (David Woulfe) Baptisms of Theodore and Mikaela Barton
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	Mass. Mick Snell (RIP) (Angela Hughes) <b>First Holy Communions.</b>
	<b>1.00 pm.</b>	<b>Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Communion Service.</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St. Romuald</i>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	Mass. Yr 3 First Holy Communion celebration Private Intention (AA)
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 pm</b>	Mass. Dr. Hamish Nicol (anniversary) (Mary Nicol)
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	Mass. Thanksgiving (Cristina Valentino)
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>St. John Fisher &amp; St. Thomas More</i>	<b>12.00 pm.</b>	Funeral mass for Andrew Rattigan
<b>23/24<sup>th</sup> June. The Nativity of St. John The Baptist. (Year B)</b>		
<b>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	Mass. Isobel Woulfe (RIP) (David Woulfe)
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	Mass. Catenians intentions.
<b>Confessions: Saturday 10.30 – 11.30am.</b>		
<b>Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.</b>		
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- **SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend, 16/17<sup>th</sup> June for Day for Life. Gift Aiders please use the appropriate dated envelope, cheques payable to St. Gregory's R.C. Parish. Thank-you.
- **STRATFORD CHURCHES TOGETHER ECUMENICAL SERVICE AND AGM.** 6pm on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June at United Reform Church: service followed by Stratford Churches Together AGM.
- **A YEAR FOR PRIESTS 2018-2019.** On the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart 2018, there began a year of thanksgiving, prayer and celebration for the priests of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. This is to prepare for a national celebration of priesthood to coincide with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart in Westminster Cathedral in 2019. We are all invited to share in prayer and reflection on the meaning and importance of the priesthood in the life of the church and to encourage vocations to the church.
- **"A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS":** Please take a leaflet from the churches.
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- **LUNCH CLUB MEETING.** The next meeting dates are 25<sup>th</sup> June and 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018. There is no meeting in August. 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:** 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July, 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September.
- **FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:**  
17<sup>th</sup> June – 9.30am at OLP & 11.15am (school) at St. Gregory's.  
24<sup>th</sup> June – 9.30am (non-school) at OLP  
All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join the First Holy Communicants in tea/coffee, cakes and biscuits after 09.30 Mass at Our Lady of Peace on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June and on 24<sup>th</sup> June.  
**NEXT ALTAR SERVERS CLUB** 20<sup>th</sup> June, 5pm – 6pm
- **PRAYER DAYS FOR VOCATIONS – WARWICK DEANERY.** Please attend these forthcoming Eucharistic Adoration Days for Vocations in our deanery if you can. Sunday – 24/6/2018 – St. Charles Borromeo, Hampton-on-the-Hill.
- **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.
- **THE ROSARY** will be said after each Tuesday morning mass for peace in the middle east.
- **ADOREMUS NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, 7-9 SEPTEMBER 2018.** parishioners from the parish will be attending. Over 200 people from our Archdiocese are booked to attend the Eucharistic Congress, *Adoremus* in 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](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) for the full programme and a booking form for the Saturday.
- **STRATFORD FOOD BANK SHORTAGES** include washing up liquid, washing power, loo rolls, coffee, tea, tinned veg, tinned fruit and meats, long life fruit juices, rice pudding, pasta, baby food / formula and toiletries, shampoo and conditioner. Please place your donations in boxes in church porches. All donations most gratefully received.
- **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.
- **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](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)
- **WARWICK DEANERY WEBSITE:** this can now be found at [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://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](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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