

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, Dennis Barratt, Mena Burn, Sophie Connor, Vincent Coleman, Patricia Elliott, Mary Foster, Ann Kingland, Maureen Harper, Brian Harrison, Maureen Hunt, Tony Jones, Phil Kendrick, Ann Kingland, Mildred Madden, Ted Martyn, Mary Murphy, Margaret Somers, John Somers, Christina Valentino, Anthony Hathaway, and all the sick in our hospitals, nursing homes, own homes and known to us.

DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS. Personal consent is now needed for inclusion on the sick list as it will appear on the weekly bulletin in church and on the website. Please complete a form from the church notice boards and return to Parish office or contact the Parish office. Confirmation is needed if you, a relative or friend have consented for their name to be included on it. GDPR 2018 (General Data Protection Regulations 2018)

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

Lately Dead: Teresa Barker, Shelagh Sandle, Lex Haan.

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: The Polish Group.

Recent Collections.

Weekend 18/19th August 2018. Loose: £552.72 Gift Aid: £555.40 Boxes: £123.71
Thank you for your generosity.

VISITORS: You are very welcome. Please make sure you introduce yourselves and sign the visitor's book at the back of the church.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please make yourselves know to the Priest and fill in a New Parishioners form.

| 25/26th August. 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. (Year B) | | |
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| Saturday 25th | 5.30 pm. | Mass. Kay Finch (anniversary) (Jim Fox) |
| Sunday 26th | 11.15 am. | Mass. Molly Bloxham (RIP) (Don Payne) |
| | 1.00 pm. | Polish Mass |
| Monday 27th <i>St. Monica</i> | 9.30 am. | Communion Service. E.M. - E. Blackie. |
| Tuesday 28th <i>St. Augustine of Hippo</i> | 9.30 am. | Communion Service. E.M. - D. Hunt. |
| Wednesday 29th <i>Passion of St. John the Baptist</i> | 9.30 am. | Communion Service. E.M. - Edmund Blackie. |
| Thursday 30th | 9.30 am. | Communion Service. E.M. - T. Evans. |
| Friday 31st <i>St. Bartholomew</i> | 9.30 am. | Communion Service. E.M. - Chris Danes. |
| 1/2nd September. 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. (Year B) | | |
| Saturday 1st | 5.30 pm. | Mass. Anne Parrott (Birthday) (Jim Fox) |
| Sunday 2nd | 11.15 am. | Mass. Patricia O'Brien (anniversary) (Chris O'Brien) |
| No Confessions. | | |
| Our Lady of Peace, Shotton. | | |
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**The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, and Douai Abbey Parishes Trust.
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- **PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. GREGORY, Monday 3rd September.** There will be mass at 7pm at St, Gregory's followed by refreshments in the parish room. If you can supply food, please sign the list at the back of the church. Thank you.
- **PRAYER DAY FOR VOCATIONS – ST GREGORYS.** Our diocesan day of Eucharistic Adoration and prayer for vocations is Tuesday 4th September 2018. Please try to set aside a time for prayer, particularly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament if you can. 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 11/09/2018 - St Francis of Assisi Baddesley Clinton
Wednesday 03/10/2018 - Our Lady & St Wulstan Southam
- **SVP Dates:** 10th & 24th September.
- **LUNCH CLUB MEETING.** The next meeting date is 10th September 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.
- **EVANGELISATION TEAM.** Our next meeting for the Warwick Deanery parishes is on **Monday 3rd September** at 7.30pm in the upper Davenport Room, St Peter's Parish Centre, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa CV32 5AE. It is hoped that each parish will be represented to help us planning how to share the Good News. Contact: Peter Dimambro 01926 428399 mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk
- **TRANSPORT TO ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS:** There are spaces available in a 9 seater vehicle going to Liverpool early on Thurs 6th Sept and returning in the evening of Sun 9th Sept, currently leaving from Alcester. Shared costs. For more information please contact Rosalind-Marie Tel: 07789282689.
- **PILGRIMAGE OF THE SICK TO THE DIOCESAN SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AT HEDNESFORD.** There will be a Pilgrimage led by Bishop Robert Byrne for all those who are sick, their families and carers, Chaplains and Chaplaincy Volunteers and Healthcare Workers and Volunteers. To take place at 3 pm on Sunday 16th September at the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford. The Church and Shrine are on Uxbridge Street on the A460, WS12 1DB. For further information contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 01543 422576 or email lol.hednesford@gmail.com
- **ALL MEMBERS OF THE SVP** in the diocese, and those interested in its work, are warmly invited to attend the annual celebration Mass. It will take place at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 22 September 2018 at 12noon. The principal

celebrant will be Mgr. Tim Menezes. Mass will be followed by refreshments, and addresses by Helen O'Shea, the National President of the SVP, and Clare Short, former MP for Ladywood, on 'The Sermon on the Mount, the SVP and the state of Britain and the World'.

- **APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA** invites you to a Mass in honour of our patron Stella Maris, Our Lady Star of the Sea. Come pray for the work of Apostleship of the Sea and for seafarers on Saturday 15th September 2018 at 430pm in St Chad's Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6EU. Archbishop Bernard Longley will celebrate Mass, followed by a reception. All invited. Please RSVP by email to salvina@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk
- **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. 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.
- (Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).
- **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.
- **THE ROSARY** will be said after each Tuesday morning mass for peace in the Middle East.
- **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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