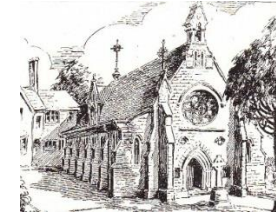


## St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

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, Maciej Grudzinski, Ann Kingland, Anne Hamilton, Maureen Harper, Brian Harrison, Anthony Hathaway, Maureen Hunt, Tony Jones, Phil Kendrick, Margaret Lamb, John Leary, Mildred Madden, Peggy Madden, Ted Martyn, Rory Mahon, Mary Murphy, Christopher O'Brien, Vera Roche, Margaret Somers, John Somers, Christina Valentino, Anne Parkinson, Margaret Young, Helena Myczko, Peter O'Connor, Barbara Woodgates, 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 January:** Martin Guerin, William Dempsey, Madeleine Walker, Gerard McVeigh, Bruce Richards, Margaret Evans, Stefan Gruszeckyj, Michael Donovan, David Hennigan, Catherine Ryman, William Green, Frank Kenny, Marguerita Tyler, Antony Corr, Bridget Kiely, Jean Olejniczak, Nora Payne, Thomas O'Neill, Jennifer Snodgrass, Barbara Bell, Mary O'Boyle, Clive Gunter, Wynne Pozzi, Harry Nicholls, Anna Moulder, Jean Olejniczak, Elise Dillon, Julie Pool, Fr. John Richardson.

**Lately Dead:** Peter O'Connor, Gladys Cuscito, Giovanni Tarquini, Margaret Bullen.

**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: L. Cuscito.

### **Recent Collections.**

Weekend 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019. Loose: £ 545.89 Gift Aid: £506.41 Boxes: £94.15

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.

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICER FOR St. Gregory's Parish, Stratford-upon-Avon:**

Mandy Bennett. Contact details: email: [mandycbennett@icloud.com](mailto:mandycbennett@icloud.com) tel: 07787 120232

**The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, and Douai Abbey Parishes Trust.**

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<b>WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY.</b>		
<b>19/20<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</b>		
<b>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Vincent Coleman (Birthday Thanksgiving) C. Wilkes
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Nora Payne (Anniversary) (Don Payne)
	<b>1.00 pm.</b>	<b>Polish Mass</b>
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup></b> <i>St. Agnes</i>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Communion Service.</b>
<b>Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> David Purves (RIP) (Patricia Purves)
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Luigi Giorgio (LD) (Giuseppe Giorgio)
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St. Francis de Sales</i>	<b>12.00 pm.</b>	<b>Funeral for Peter Oconnor.</b>
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <i>The Conversion of St. Paul</i>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Yr 6 & Yr 4 in church. Mass for the lately dead and those whose anniversaries have occurred in last 3 months.
<b>26/27<sup>th</sup> January, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</b>		
<b>Saturday 26<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St. Benet Biscop</i>	<b>5.30 pm.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Michael & Wynne Pozzi (anniversary) Nick Pozzi & Mary Steed.
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.15 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> People of the Parish
<b>Confessions: Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am</b>		
<b>Our Lady of Peace, Shottonery.</b>		
<b>19/20<sup>th</sup> January, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)</b>		
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<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am.</b>	<b>Mass.</b> Steven John Lawrence (RIP) (Mark Lawrence)

- **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIANITY 18-25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY.** Daily prayer in the Guild Chapel. Come along and pray with our Christian brothers and sisters. We lead the prayer on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January.
- **SECOND COLLECTION** this weekend, 19/20<sup>th</sup> January for Pax Christi. Gift Aiders please use the appropriate dated envelope, cheques payable to St. Gregory's R.C. Parish. Thank-you.
- **RCIA COURSE FOR CONVERTS** begins 15<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm in the Presbytery. Instruction for those interested in becoming Catholics and being received into the church. Please submit names to the Parish office. Please encourage anyone you know: it is central to our mission that we share our wonderful faith.
- **SVP Dates:** next meeting dates are 21 January, 4 & 18 February, 4 & 18 March, 1 & 15 April.
- **LUNCH CLUB MEETING.** The next meeting date is 25<sup>th</sup> February. 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.
- **THE HOLY FATHER'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION. Young People and the Example of Mary.** That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.
- **PARISH ROOM TABLES AND CHAIRS.** Please ensure all are returned to cupboard after meetings and keep chairs away from the heaters which should be turned off when leaving.
- **MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE:** 26<sup>th</sup> January & 9<sup>th</sup> February. Please pray for those couples attending our Parish's course. We ask that that their future lives together will be blessed and fulfilling.
- **GIFT AID** information for 2017/18 tax returns. If you do not have the information you need to complete this please note that our Gift Aid organiser will be away from 5<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January and will respond to any late requests as soon as he returns.
- **LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, 25<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.** Anyone interested in going on the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this year should contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, Cathedral House, St Chad's Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6EX Tel: 0121 230 6288 (note change of telephone no.) Email: [lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org) Contact organisers to check prices and details from early February. Please note there will not be a separate parish group going this year.
- **INSPIRING HOPE:** Bishop Kenney shares his experience of CAFOD's work in Sudan and South Sudan. Wednesday 6 February, 7.30-9pm. Light refreshments served from 7pm. St Peter's parish, 3a Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA All very welcome! To book your place, please do contact Elizabeth Wignall at [ewignall@cafod.org.uk](mailto:ewignall@cafod.org.uk) or on 01922 722944.
- **FATIMA PILGRIMAGE 2019,** 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> July. Details on website link:- <https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/waf-england-and-wales-national-pilgrimage/>
- **FOOD BANK SHORTAGES:** if you can donate any of the following they will be gratefully received: UHT fruit juice, loo roll, small jars coffee, powdered milk, small sizes laundry powder/liquid Washing up liquid, men's toiletries.
- **SLIM YOUR BIN!** Landfilling waste can cost [the taxpayer] more than recycling - and landfill is literally costing the earth. Warwickshire has great recycling facilities and residents can sign up to the county's on-line Slim Your Bin campaign and find out more about recycling rather than landfilling. It's free to join and there are ways to win a monthly £20 voucher and support local charities. Please take a card from the back of church for more info.
- **2019 OFFICIAL CATHOLIC DIRECTORY OF ENGLAND & WALES** is the official reference guide and travel companion for every Catholic to find locations and mass times when travelling. If you would like to purchase a copy, please visit [www.thecatholicuniverse.com/ecd2019](http://www.thecatholicuniverse.com/ecd2019) or phone 0161 908 5301. There is a small batch of order forms with prepaid envelopes in the porch at St. Gregory's.
- **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 in the Parish room. The Bible Group meets every week to review the following Sunday's readings. All welcome.
- **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:** To join 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 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.