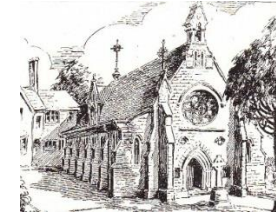


St Gregory the Great, Stratford upon Avon

This Parish is served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey.

Parish Priest:
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Parish Office:
Open Tuesday,
Wednesday, Thursday
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Prayers for the Sick and Housebound: James McHugh, 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, 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 February: Mick Snell, Bernadette Snell, John Mitchell, Phyllis Langstaff, Ennio Dionisi, Dominic Lavelle, John Mitchell, Eileen O'Brien, Peter Davies, Cath Austin, Vincent Murphy, Malcom Best, Emilia Trzaska, Jennifer Gurr, John McKay, Yvette Gittins, Joan Davies, Patricia Danes, Tony Carbonari, Jennifer Snodgrass, Andrew Jowett, Barbara Bell, John Martyn, Irene McWalter, Matilda Clayton-Wright, Margaret Gray, Terence Cosgrove.

We pray for the lately dead may they rest in peace: Bernie Hardy (O'Hare),
BEREAVEMENT TEAM are here to support those who have lost precious ones and those who mourn. 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: P.Hobbs.

Recent Collections.

Weekend 9/10th February 2019. Loose: £517.80 Gift Aid: £548.5 Boxes: £

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 known 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 tel: 07787 120232

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

Registered Charity Number 1063237

16/17th February, 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)		
Saturday 16th	5.30 pm.	Mass. People of the Parish.
Sunday 17th	11.15 am.	Mass. Paul Gilmore. (RIP) (Basford)
	1.00 pm.	Polish Mass
Monday 18th	9.30 am.	Communion Service.
Tuesday 19th	9.30 am.	Communion Service.
Wednesday 20th	9.30 am.	Mass. Private Intentions of Stephenson family
Thursday 21st <i>St. Peter Damian</i>	9.30 am.	Mass. Bernadette Snell & Maureen McNally (RIP) (Lila Morgan)
Friday 22nd <i>The chair of St. Peter the Apostle</i>	9.30 am.	Mass. Alan Rodgers (LD) (Laurens family)
23/24th February, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)		
Saturday 23rd <i>St. Polycarp</i>	5.30 pm.	Mass. Michael Alford (anniversary) (Mary Alford)
Sunday 24th	11.15 am.	Mass. Chappell Family (40 th wedding anniversary) (SC)
Confessions: Saturday 10.30am – 11.30am		
Our Lady of Peace, Shotton.		
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Sunday 16th	9.30 am.	Mass. John McKay RIP & family (Frances McKay)
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Sunday 24th	9.30 am.	Mass. People of the Parish.

- **PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING: Thursday, 28th February** at 7pm in Parish Room.
- **RCIA COURSE FOR CONVERTS** begins 15th 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.
- **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS** – What difference can Christianity make to your life? St Gregory's will be running a series of Life in the Spirit seminars on Wednesday evenings between Easter and Pentecost (24th April – 5th June and Saturday 1st June). If you feel that life is asking you questions that your faith is not answering, this series of seven seminars is a great opportunity to explore what matters and meet new people. Anyone interested in participating please contact Peter Hobbs on 07887 700809. (Further details to follow.)
- **SVP Dates:** next meeting dates are 18 February, 4 & 18 March, 1 & 15 April.
- **NEXT ALTAR SERVERS CLUB** 20th February, 5pm – 6pm.
- **LUNCH CLUB MEETING.** The next meeting dates are 25th February, 18th March, 29th April. 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 FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION.** Human Trafficking. For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.
- **FATHER HUDSONS CARE:** wish to thank St. Gregory's parishioners who gave Christmas presents for them to distribute to children across Warwickshire, Staffordshire and West Midlands. Could person who organised this collection at St. Gregory's please contact the Parish office.
- **LOURDES PILGRIMAGE, 25th – 31st May 2019.** Anyone interested in going on the diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes this year should contact Sharron Jaggars at Tangey Tours to check prices and details from early February. Please note there will not be a separate parish group going this year.
- **AN EVENING OF PRAYER & PRAISE** led by 'Revival', a local Christian group. 7pm start on 23rd February at St Edmunds Parish Church, Shipston-on-Stour. Tickets £5 which can be purchased on the door. Evening is in Aid of EKICA Trust Orphanage in Tanzania.
- **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: FRIDAY 1st March, 12.15pm.** at Holy Trinity Church, S/A - Theme: 'COME EVERYTHING IS READY.' The invitation is for everyone - men, women and children of all ages to join this Day of Prayer. Women of Slovenia, one of the smallest and youngest countries in Europe, have prepared this year's service encouraging us to reflect on the barriers they have faced since the end of the Second World War when their country was a part of Yugoslavia, a Marxist

socialist republic. World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation which enables the thoughts of women from over 120 countries to be heard. It begins in Samoa and prayer in native languages travels throughout the world, before finishing in American. Please note the change of time for this year's service, which will be followed by Soup and a roll in the Parish Centre across the road from Holy Trinity Church. Everyone is welcome.

- **ONLINE LENT RETREAT 2019 - WALKING TOGETHER WITH CHRIST.** You are invited to join an online retreat by signing up on the website: pathwaystogod.org If you wish to join a local group, weekly meetings are being held in the upper Davenport Room, St Peter's Parish Centre, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AE starting on Friday 1st March at 7.30pm and ending on 12th April. Booking charge £20 payable at the first meeting. For further information contact Peter Dimambro 01926 428399
- **HEADTEACHER VACANCY:** St. George & St. Teresa RC Primary School, Bentley Heath, Solihull, starting September 2019 or sooner. Closing date 25th February. Enquiries to avinging@solgrid.org.uk or tel: 07971 265702
- **FATIMA PILGRIMAGE 2019,** 10th to 16th 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.
- **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
- **WARWICK DEANERY WEBSITE:** this can now be found at 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. 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.