

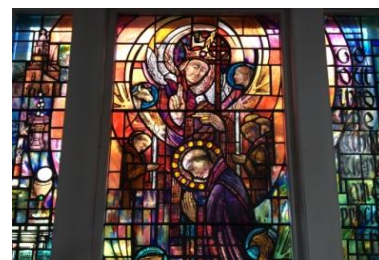
St. Gregory's Newsletter

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Reflection

"Education isn't a profession
but an attitude, a way of
being.
In order to educate you must
go out of yourselves and be
amidst the young,
accompanying them in the
stages of their growth,
standing beside them."

(Pope Francis, shared on Facebook)



Feast Day

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross recalls three historical events: the finding of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine; the dedication of churches built by Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem by the emperor Heraclius II.

But in a deeper sense, the feast also celebrates the Holy Cross as the instrument of our salvation.

This instrument of torture, designed to degrade the worst of criminals, became the life-giving tree that reversed Adam's Original Sin. For Christians, the Cross is the crossroads of history and the Tree of Life. Christianity without the Cross is meaningless: Only by uniting ourselves to Christ's sacrifice on the Cross can we enter into eternal life. By taking up our cross and following Jesus (Mt. 16:24), we take our part in the salvation of the world. It is a path of liberation from egoism and leads to the resurrection.



Children's Corner

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**SUPPORT OUR FOODBANK
"STOREHOUSE"**
Any imperishable items such as toiletries,
cleaning product, tinned meat and
vegetables, long life milk, fruit juice etc.
are most welcome. Container in the
porch...
Thank you for your generous support.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 10th September 2017

10th September

9:30am John Shaw (A)
11:00am Teresa Critchley (LD)
6:30am Frank & Bea Brindle

Weekday Masses

Monday 8:30am Fr. John Smith
Tuesday 8:30am Isobel Richardson (LD)
Wednesday 8:30am Saniya's mother (RIP)
Thursday 8:30am For someone seriously ill
Friday 8:30am R. Troop, seriously ill (6yrs old)
Saturday 10:00am For the Parish

Weekly Confession Saturday after morning Mass

Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Margaret Wood, Bill Burns, Margaret Bower, Margaret Brindle, Winifred Calderbank, Hugh O'Daly, Victoria Mary Birkett, Lois Chiasson, Mildred Bridge, Agnes Martindale, Robert Stretton, Bill Barnes, Maureen Jackson, Olive Farmworth, Theresa Kershaw, Gerard McGuigan, Julie Hurley, Thomas Moss

We pray for Evelyn Birchall, that she may have a full and speedy recovery and in time a peaceful return to her home.

Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor RIP

'He will assuredly rest in peace', ends one article, 'after a good life well lived', concluding peacefully on 1st September in hospital, surrounded by family and friends. We thank him for his long and fruitful service to the Church to which he brought his 'easy-going warmth and good-humoured charm.... a friend as much to ordinary parishioners as popes'. There are many good articles about him in the weekly papers at the back of church. Archbishop Justin Welby of Canterbury said on hearing of the Cardinal's death, 'In Cormac, people saw something of Christ.' Please take a prayer card in his memory.

Holiday Cover

As Father Julius is settling in, we welcome him to the Sunday morning masses. He will be with us till the end of September and would like to thank the parishioners of the evening mass for their warm reception last Sunday, and especially for the surprise acknowledgement of his priestly anniversary on that day.

Education Sunday

A big welcome back to pupils and staff at the beginning of the new school year, and especially those starting for the first time or changing to a new school. As we mark this Sunday with prayers for all those working in our Education Service, we remember particularly our own schools who celebrate their patronal feast days around this time. Mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross High School on Thursday, Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and the feast day of St. Gregory the Great fell on last Sunday, marked by Mass in the parish on Saturday.

Wedding Anniversary

Yesterday Frank and Margaret Dearden celebrated their golden wedding anniversary here at St. Gregory's. We wish them God's blessings over the years to come and thank them for their long-standing dedication to our parish family. Ad multos annos!

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £1045.37. A special collection for Education Sunday will be taken today, and next week for the Home Missions. If you are gift-aiding your weekly donation and have not picked up the new envelopes from the sacristy, please do so, there are still quite a few waiting to be collected.

Living Fully – Enabling every Child and Adult with a Disability to encounter Christ in the Church today

All are invited and as a parish we are asked to be represented with at least one person at what promises to be a very enjoyable day of study, worship and workshops. Saturday 23rd Sept., 10am to 4pm at L.A.C.E. Liverpool L17 1AA. Please give it some thought. Lunch is included and the parish will carry the cost. Please tell the office if you would like to go, see the poster for more details.

An Afternoon with Our Lady

The Chorley Branch of the Walsingham Association invite you to an afternoon at St. Mary's Parish Centre on Tuesday, 19th September. Prayers, talk, afternoon tea. Time to find out about our next pilgrimage and a raffle and home made cakes to raise some money towards it. Doors open from 2pm. Please see poster for details.

Separated or Divorced?

Series of informal support meetings starting mid-September. Please see newsletter of 27th Aug. or poster in the porch.

Ministering to the Assembly

Counting - 11th September

S.A.S. - 17th September

Dial a Ride (17/09)

Readers (17/09)

Eucharistic Ministers (17/09)

Marie Dewland and Mary Hargreaves

Yvonne Cunliffe and Marian Knight

Taxi

Simon Robinson

Linda Walmsley

Yvonne Cunliffe

George Cunliffe

David Fairclough

Paul Thompson

Margaret Scard

Sharon Hobin

Helen Graham

David Porter

Ulrika Yeomans

17th September, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Graham Gaskell (A)
11:00am Jack Simmonds
6:30pm Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Lourdes

Saints of the Week

Most Holy Name of Mary

St. John Crystostom

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

SS. Cornelius and Cyprian

Rosary 20 minutes before weekday Mass