HOLY ROSARY: will be prayed twenty minutes before the weekday Mass

**CONFESSIONS:** are held after Mass on Saturday morning

If you wish to book a **Mass Intention**, please see one of the priests after Mass on Sunday or call the office during office hours

Counting	18 Nov	Derek & Celia Birchall		
Sacristy & Sanctuary	24 Nov	Mary Wakeman & Liz Fowler		
Minibus	24 Nov	Linda & David Walmsley		
Readers	24 Nov	9:30am Pauline Doyle 11:00am Helen Graham 6:30pm Pat O'Brien		
Ministers of the Eucharist	24 Nov	<ul> <li>9:30am Clare Meredith, Anthony Pontifex, Michael Hall</li> <li>11:00am Denise Conway, Barbara Slater, Richard Jackson</li> <li>6:30pm Joe Commerford, Ulrika Yeomans</li> </ul>		
Church Cleaning	w/c 24 Nov	Yvonne Cunliffe, Kath Wilson		

# **CHILDREN'S CORNER**

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# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF **St Gregory's Weld Bank**

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Church Office Hours: Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 14:00

> **Parish Administrator:** Christine Edwards

Safeguarding Rep: Edward Brierley

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Gift Aid: £238.35 Loose Plate: £442.38 Standing Orders: £180.48

Thank you for your kind and generous donations which go towards the maintenance & running of the parish.

The retiring collection next week will be for Animate Youth.

### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

The theme for this the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Day of the Poor is 'The hope of the poor shall not perish forever', taken from the Book of Psalms. In his message today Pope Francis asks that Christians sow hope among the poor. Reading the last paragraph of today's gospel however, The hope of the poor shall not perish for ever does not engender us with much hope. It

seems like Jesus is pointing to the end of the world as we know it. He speaks of floods, famines and wars; great earthquakes and plagues but then when we switch on the TV or listen to the news, we can see and hear all these things happening today. There are so many people suffering because of war and violence; many are

struggling because of natural disasters. There are extremes of weather effecting people and the world around us. As always, it is the poor who suffer most. But these are not the work of God nor are they the signs of which Jesus speaks. Science now tells us that more than likely these are as a result of how we ourselves are living today and treating the planet. War and violence are the work of our hands, not Gods! Since humans developed creativity and imagination we have built the most

impressive buildings imaginable, however, Impressive as they are, they are still just buildings and will not last forever. Today's gospel and the words of Jesus ask us to think carefully about where we put our trust, hope and confidence. The true and firm foundations of our lives do

not lie in brick, wood or concrete. The church is not primarily a building, the church is people focused on and gathered around the person of Jesus. We are part of The Church and Christ himself is its main cornerstone. As we come towards the end of this liturgical year, can we take some time to think about where we place our time, hope and security? Is God asking us to create more time for prayer, service and community? For in the end, these will never come to an end or be destroyed.



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## **Please Pray for Our Sick Brothers and Sisters**

Gerard McGuigan - Lois Chiasson - Maureen Jackson - Theresa Joyce Winifred Calderbank - Hugh O'Daly - Margaret Wrennall - Kitty Ellison Julie Hurley - Danny Harrison - Thomas Moss - Madge Henshaw Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and send them comfort from thy holy place. Amen.

> Please remember and keep in your prayers Mgr Peter Cookson and all those who have died recently.

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

# **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

BAPTISM Today we welcome in Baptism Emily Grace

Watkinson. We wish her and her family every blessing as they start out on their faith journey.

### **SYNOD 2020**

This weekend is the final weekend exploring our first Synod Theme, *All* called and gifted by God. Thank you for submitting all of your Proposals for Action which will help us to discern our Parish response to this Theme. Today we also start our period of exploration of our second Synod Theme, *Sharing the mission of Jesus*. You are invited once again to share your Proposals for Action on this Theme as we continue to discern the Church God is calling us to be.

## **CHRISTMAS APPEAL**

The Chorley Food Bank are once again appealing for tins and treats for Christmas Hampers which will be used to brighten up the lives of over 600 families this Christmas. If you can help, please place your kind donations in the box in the porch as soon as possible so that the hampers can be prepared and distributed in time for Christmas.

#### SVP MONTHLY COLLECTION

Thank you for your kind and generous offerings of **£241.63** 

#### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2019**

This year we will be hosting a Christmas Lunch on **Tuesday 17th December** for

any parishioners who would like to join us for an afternoon of companionship and a festive meal. Please do let us know if you would like to come.

**ST GREGORY'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR** Do you enjoy singing? If so, why not come

along and join us as we begin our musical preparations for the Christmas Season.

Next rehearsal Tuesday 19th November 7:00pm.

#### LIVING MORE SIMPLY FOR ADVENT

Mindful of the need to take better care of our world and preserving it for future generations, we are all called to take urgent action. Come and explore ways of living more simply during Advent. Families with children welcome, and especially calling all young people! For further information, please contact Ulrika or any of the Focolare Word of Life group on 07787 596451 or Email: <u>ulrikayeomans@yahoo.co.uk</u>.

## **URGENT - SECONDARY SCHOOL REFERENCES**

Fr Graeme has been asked to supply a number of references for St Michael's school. If you have requested your child go there, it is essential that you see Fr Graeme after Mass **today**. Thank you.

# **MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS**

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes	
Sun 17 Nov	9:30am	33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Robert Paul Keane (A) Cora Bernadette Holt (A) Pious List Intentions	WORLD DAY OF THE POOR	
Sun 17 Nov	11:00am	33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Gerry Thompson Harold Slater Pious List Intentions	Baptism after Mass	
Sun 17 Nov	6:30pm	33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	Pious List Intentions		
Mon 18 Nov	8:30am	Dedication of the Basilicas of SS Peter & Paul	Christina Ashworth Pious List Intentions		
Tues 19 Nov	8:30am		David Porter Pious List Intentions		
Wed 20 Nov	10:00am		Pious List Intentions	ADORATION 12:00 - 2:00pm	
Thu 21 Nov	8:30am	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Pious List Intentions		
Fri 22 Nov	8:30am	St Cecilia	EUCHARISTIC SERVICE		
Sat 23 Nov	10:00am	St Clement I St Columbanus	Pious List Intentions		
Sun 24 Nov	9:30am	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING	Eileen Gallagher (A) Pious List Intentions		
Sun 24 Nov	11:00am	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING	Deceased Members of the Catenians Pious List Intentions	Baptisms after Mass	
Sun 24 Nov	6:30pm	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING	Pious List Intentions		

