

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all our children who have made their First Holy Communion and received the sacrament of Reconciliation. Please remember them in your prayers as they take the next step on their faith journeys.



BAPTISM

Today we welcome in Baptism at St Oswald's
Kai Alexander Bialas - Cunliffe
Please keep him and his family in your prayers
as they start out on their faith journey.

DAY FOR LIFE: SUNDAY 19TH JUNE 2022

'Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent'
Psalm 71:9

'Day for Life' is the day in our calendar set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. This year our focus is on caring for and valuing the elderly. [Read more online](#)

'The little ones learn the power of tenderness and respect for frailty: irreplaceable lessons that are easier to impart and receive with grandparents. For their part, grandparents learn that tenderness and frailty are not solely signs of decline: for young people, they are conditions that humanise the future'.

Pope Francis, Catechesis on Old Age

ST GREGORY'S ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

A big thank you to parishioners for your kind and generous offerings received during the past 15 months.

Donations: **£1551.33** 6 x Sunday Special Collections: **£865.00**
Support given to families in need: **£1952.65**

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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CROWDS	WELCOME	CURED
HEALING	AFTERNOON	TWELVE
VILLAGES	FARMS	FIVE
LOAVES	TWO	FISH



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

19th June 2022 - The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, Year C

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WEEKLY COLLECTION w/c 12th June 2022

Gift Aid: **£44.50**

Loose Plate: **£606.00**

Standing Orders: **£186.25**

**Sincere thanks for your
kind and generous weekly
donations which go towards the
upkeep of the church.**

REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus. The Eucharist is the source of our lives as followers of Jesus and the Body and Blood that Jesus offers to each of us calls and binds us together as disciples of Jesus and feeds, nurtures and nourishes us. The feeding of the 5,000 is the only one of Jesus' miracles to appear in all four Gospels and the passage is meant to remind us of two feedings in the Old Testament: the feeding of the Israelites in the desert and Elisha's feeding of 100 people with 20 loaves. It is also connected to the institution of the Eucharist. In this miracle Jesus is doing more than feeding hungry people as God did for the Israelites and the prophet Elisha did as well. At the meal we celebrate as the Last Supper during which he first offered himself to us through the breaking of bread and pouring of wine, he asked that when whenever we do this we are to do it in memory of him. At this same meal he also took the place of a slave, washed our feet and asked us to do the same for each other. Today we are called to remember who we are: we are the Church, the Body of Christ. St. Augustine, great church writer, (345-430AD) said, **'Believe what you see, see what you believe and become what you are: the Body of Christ. When you say 'Amen' we are saying, 'Yes, I believe that this is Body and Blood of Jesus and that I will become the Body of Christ to others'**. If we celebrate the Body and Blood of Jesus in memory of Jesus, we are also called to serve each other in memory of Jesus. During the time of the pandemic, sadly we were unable to celebrate this wonderful feast together but ironically those days strengthened our sense of belonging, of community and of being connected to each other as we continued to share in mass and other prayers online through Live Streams, YouTube, radio and TV.

Today we give thanks that we are once again able to celebrate this great feast together in our churches and also for those who are unable to be physically present, through our online services. Let us remember and thank God that our life and the lives of others will be transformed whenever we share what we have received and become people who imitate the love and compassion of Jesus.

Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Hugh O'Daly - Paul McBeth - Baby Elmo Allan - Fr Laurence Mayne - Paul Spedding - Neil Haydock
 Teresa Abernethy - Angela Helmn - Shirley Langstrath - Margaret Dearden - Sheila McGeown
 Caroline Rigby - Dorothy Fairclough - Paul Eastham - Laurie Montgomery - Derek Birchall
 Christine Zawistowicz - Joanna Hardiman - Catherine - Kathleen Green - Philip Compton - Rona Roberts

Heal thy servants, O Lord, who are sick and send them comfort from thy holy place. Amen.

Please remember and keep in your prayers all those who have died recently, especially Brigid Cain and those whose anniversaries occur around about this time.

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

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

WEEKLY REVIEW OF COVID REQUIREMENTS

Following a further review of Covid requirements by the Archdiocese, the following now apply:

1. **Face-coverings** are now optional for people who attend a service in church.
2. **Sanitiser** is available for those who wish to use it on entering the building but this will no longer be mandatory.
3. **Social Distancing** - there will **no** longer be a section of the church with social distancing.
3. **Holy Communion** - ministers will still cleanse their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion.
4. **Holy Communion** under both kinds will **not** be reintroduced at this time.

RETURN OF SUNDAY/HOLY DAY OBLIGATIONS

As you are aware, since the beginning of the Covid pandemic until the present time, the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days has been relaxed. Thankfully, more recently the challenges of the pandemic have lessened significantly and most people have now resumed normal activities that are no longer restricted by Covid measures. This means that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply and therefore obligations will be reinstated as of Pentecost. There will still be some members of our congregations who, for reasons of health, do not feel safe enough to return to Mass and this is understandable. It has always been the understanding of the Church that when the freedom of any Catholic to attend Mass in person is impeded for a serious reason, because of situations such as ill health, care for the sick or a legitimate fear, this is not seen as a breach of their obligation.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION

There will be a Blessed Sacrament procession this afternoon **Sunday 19th June at 2.00pm** at St Oswald's and also next **Sunday 26th June at 2:00pm** at St Gregory's. All parishioners are invited to join in with the procession which will be followed by Benediction.

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
SUN 19 Jun	9:30am 6:30pm	THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST	Valerie Bretherton Patrick McManus (A)	ST GREGORY'S
SUN 19 Jun	11:00am 2:00pm	THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST	John McGreevy (A) BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION	ST OSWALD'S
Mon 20 Jun	10:00am	St Alban	Terry & Kathleen McCarrick For a successful procedure	
Tues 21 Jun	9:15am	St Aloysius Gonzaga	Alan Macdonald	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Wed 22 Jun	8:30am	St John Fisher & St Thomas More	Monica Cussens (A) Ignatius Critchley (A)	
Thur 23 Jun	9:15am	St John the Baptist	Fr Lionel Devaney	DEVOTIONS 1:00pm - 2:00pm
Fri 24 Jun	8:30am 9:15am	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Sat 25 Jun	10:00am	The Immaculate Heart of Mary	Bryan Topping (BR)	
SUN 26 Jun	9:30am 2:00pm 6:30pm	13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Bryan Gilgun (A) BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION The People of the Parish	ST GREGORY'S
SUN 26 Jun	11:00am	13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	Ernest Farrimond (A)	ST OSWALD'S