

November, the month of the Holy Souls

All the masses in November will be offered for the 'Holy Souls' – for the intentions of the 'Pious List'. Reading the list of prayers you have drawn up has been heart-warming... they list relatives and friends still remembered... they include priests who have served here in Weldbank... and especially remembered are "those who have no one to pray for them". May they all rest in the peace of God's love. Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday and we will pray at our cenotaph for all the war dead – and for peace in the world. The following Sunday we will celebrate our annual mass of remembrance for all our parishioners, but especially those who have died in the last twelve months.

Please note the mass on Monday – the feast of the Holy Souls will be at 10.00am (not 8.30am) to allow those who like a later mass to join us then.

Please pray for our sick brothers and sisters

Jayne Hodge · Kathleen Reynolds · Bridget Cain · Hazel Lee · Mary Patten · Agnes Martindale · Robert Stretton · Hilda and Harold Haworth · Mildred Bridge · Margaret and Fred Wood · Harold Sutton · Josie Down · Mary Campbell · Margaret Bower · Thomas Moss · Winifred Marshall · Gerard Baker · Hugh O'Daly · Margaret Dearden · Maureen Jackson · David Woods · Frank Morris · David Lynch · Dorothy McDonald (Howarth) · John Lilley

Last week we offered mass for a young man who received the gift of a new kidney from his father. I have been asked to tell you that there are many sick persons who need a similar gift... There are a number of charities looking for donors to make a similar gift... are you one?

New Website – Social Media Comes to St. Gregory's

I'm delighted to announce that we have launched our new website and Facebook account. We are now able to post a breadth of information including newsletters, upcoming events, announcements and more. Check out the new site at www.stgregoryschorley.org.uk. And many thanks to the Parish Committee who have spent considerable time in establishing this very professional new website.

Collection

£925 plus an annual donation of £260.00. Thank you for your continued generous financial support of the parish.

LAMP Sunday

LAMP – the Liverpool Archdiocesan Missionary Project. Today we remember the two diocesan priests – Fr. Simon Cadwallader and Fr. Denis Parry – who work in our name in South America. We are now down to two priests working there, but the work which was begun by Archbishop Worlock continues. We are beginning to feel the shortage of priests here, but nothing in comparison to the Church in South America. Please remember them and their work in your prayers. There will be a collection as you leave to support the work done there by our priests.

Baptism

Today we welcome in Baptism Gretel Rosetta Bromilow-Webb, and on Saturday Marceline Nelson. Please remember them and their families.

SVP

The SVP will take their monthly collection today.

Mass Count

The average attendance at Mass during October was 488... a drop of some twenty people on last year... I remember Father Firth telling me that he had succeeded in halving the numbers who attended here – from 1100 in 1974 to 550 in 2000! We often speak of those "who miss Mass". I'd rather put it the other way around: those who Mass misses – we miss them! Do always encourage family and friends to come to join us here at Weldbank. They will be most welcome. There are leaflets on the paper stand which you can give to anyone who might be interested in re-joining our Mass celebration. - The Liverpool poet Roger McGough put it this way:

of a Sunday

<i>of a Sunday</i>	<i>I watch the</i>
<i>the only thing</i>	<i>newspapers for</i>
<i>I burn</i>	<i>hours and browse</i>
<i>at both ends</i>	<i>through T.V.</i>
<i>is my bacon</i>	<i>miss mass</i>
<i>like the tele</i>	<i>and wonder</i>
<i>phone I am</i>	<i>if mass</i>
<i>off the hook</i>	<i>misses me</i>

Ministering to the Assembly

Counters (2nd November) John and Mary Mark

Rotas (8th November)

S.A.S. Janet Critchley and Pauline Critchley

Readers Pauline Doyle Ryan Norse Mary Mark

Ministers Edward Brierley Margaret Scard Terry Turner

Catherine Todd Clare Meredith

Dial a Ride Taxi Rick Gillett