

PARISH MINISTRIES

Counting	21 January	John & Mary Mark
Sacristy & Sanctuary Group	27 January	Margaret Scard
Dial a Ride	27 January	Taxi service
Readers	27 January	9:30am Terence Donnelly 11:00am Pat O'Brien 6:30pm Paul Tate
Ministers of the Eucharist	27 January	9:30am Linda Walmsley, Chris Huddy, Edward Brierley 11:00am Darryl Hobin, Clare Meredith, Helen Mather 6:30pm Melvyn Cunliffe, Anthony Hooson

CHILDREN'S CORNER

A	Y	T	R	I	H	T	S	E	B
N	D	E	S	T	E	W	A	R	D
A	W	E	W	N	A	E	I	E	C
C	G	J	T	T	Y	D	N	N	H
R	L	A	E	I	E	D	S	O	E
E	O	R	L	G	V	I	N	T	A
H	R	S	R	L	X	N	G	S	P
T	Y	O	U	E	O	G	I	X	E
O	O	R	O	W	I	N	S	I	R
M	O	T	H	N	O	T	S	R	E

WEDDING CANA MOTHER
WINE SIX STONE
JARS THIRTY GALLONS
BEST STEWARD BRIDEGROOM



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF St Gregory's Weld Bank

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Registered Charity No: 32709

Church Office Hours:

Mon/Wed/Thurs 09:00 - 13:00

Parish Administrator:

Christine Edwards

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Edward Brierley

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Gift Aid: £253.57

Loose Plate: £506.96

Standing Orders: £168.94

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

Thanks you also for the SVP
Monthly Collection of **£243.81**

REFLECTION

Now that the celebrations of Christmas have ended, it's the time of year we start to think of new endeavours. It was the same for Jesus, St John's gospel account of the wedding feast at Cana marks the beginning of his public preaching and ministry. 'He let his glory be seen and his disciples believed in him' is how St John describes it. We are his disciples now, but we often fall short in the way we follow him and fail to reflect his glory to those around us. The key message of John's first 'sign', and one of the very foundations of our believing is that God is with us and knows our needs. Israel thought of God as good and loving and caring. A key image of that relationship was that God not only provided food, a basic need, but wine in abundance and freely available, symbolising all that is pleasant and joyful in the world. Wine, in ancient culture was associated with having a party – likewise today, we still bring a bottle when going to a dinner or a party – and

for the Israelites, wine in abundance was seen as a symbol of generosity. The abundance of the best wine symbolises that God is not only infinitely generous, but that his greatest gift to us was his only Son. Like the best wine which only came at the end of a long period of waiting, so came Jesus in the history of Israel. God is generous and loving and wine is a fitting image of his care, but his greatest generosity is sending his own Son to live among us. It is this gift of Christ that we thank God for every time we gather for the Eucharist and we celebrate his gift in our banquet of bread and wine. Just as Jesus gave wine as his gift to the newlyweds, so too he gives us gifts. St Paul tells us that God gives each of us different gifts so we, too, can be signs of God's goodness and love by using our gifts for the good of others.

Responsorial Psalm:

'Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples'

Please Pray for Our Sick Brothers and Sisters

Margaret Wood - Bill Burns - Margaret Bower - Winifred Calderbank - Hugh O'Daly - Victoria Birkett - Lois Chiasson - Maureen Jackson - Gerard McGuigan - Julie Hurley - Thomas Moss - Fred Simpson - Joan Woodruff - Nora Taylor - Marian Leyland - Margaret Wrennall - Harold Sutton - Margaret Fishwick - David Porter

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

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

GRAVEYARD

Please note that all Christmas flowers and wreaths will be removed from graves at the end of the month. Please help us keep the graveyard clean & tidy by removing old flowers and disposing of them in the receptacles provided. Thank you.

LIST OF SICK

We are currently reviewing the names on our List of the Sick which we publish in the Parish newsletter each week. If you would like a name to remain on the list, please confirm with me asap, or if you wish to add a name, please let me know. The revised list will be published at the beginning of February.

SYNOD 2020

SYNOD 2020 prayer cards are now available at the back of church. Please do take one and use it. The SYNOD prayer will be said at all Masses after Holy Communion until our representatives have been Enrolled on 3rd February 2019.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Would you like to receive the weekly newsletter by email? If so, please email: stgregory@rcaolp.co.uk

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Just a reminder, there will be a meeting at the church house for those who have volunteered to be involved in the new Group and anybody else who may wish to learn more at 7pm on Tuesday 22 January. All welcome.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

There will be a meeting of the Scripture Reflection Group on Wednesday 30th January at 7pm in the church house. All welcome.

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK 18th - 25th JANUARY

Resources are available on the website of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland. <https://ctbi.org.uk/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity-resources>

As part of Christian Unity week, St. Gregory's will be hosting an ecumenical service of prayer on Wednesday 23rd January at 7.00pm. All Welcome.

FOODBANK

Chorley Foodbank are once again appealing for items such as tinned food, pasta, toiletries, UHT milk, tinned fish etc. Please leave your donations in the box in the porch. All your generous donations are very much appreciated. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

A special Children's Liturgy is held every Sunday morning at the 11:00 Mass for children from 3 years of age. All welcome. If you would like to help as a volunteer with Children's Liturgy, please let Fr Graeme know. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 20 Jan	9:30am	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Patricia Beardsworth (B)	
Sun 20 Jan	11:00am	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Cyril Moss (B)	
Sun 20 Jan	6:30pm	2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Michael Ryan	
Mon 21 Jan	8:30am	St Agnes	In Thanksgiving for Healing	
Tues 22 Jan	8:30am	St Vincent	Mary Calderbank & Family (F)	
Wed 23 Jan	12:00noon		Jenny McAleenan	Service of Prayer for Christian Unity 7:00pm
Thurs 24 Jan	8:30am	St Francis de Sales	Special Intention	
Fri 25 Jan	8:30am	The Conversion of St Paul	In Thanksgiving Our Lady of Lourdes and St Joseph Cupotino	
Sat 26 Jan	10:00am	St Timothy & St Titus	Christine Stitt	
Sun 27 Jan	9:30am	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Derek Parker (A)	
Sun 27 Jan	11:00am	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Agnes & Thomas Durkin	
Sun 27 Jan	6:30pm	3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Jannete & Gordon Latham (A)	

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 Fr Graeme after Mass on Sunday or call the office during office hours