St. Gregory's Newsletter

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Saint of the week

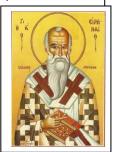
St. Irenaeus

Irenaeus is the patron saint of our diocesan prayer centre in Waterloo near Crosby beach... they offer scripture evenings, days of reflection, Life in the Spirit Seminars and more, as well as retreats. Why not go there for a quiet time, spiritual direction or just to be on your own for a few days peace. Please see their newsletter on the board. (jenny@irenaeus.co.uk)

The saint was of Eastern origin in the first century and as a boy knew bishop Polycarp who was a disciple of St. John the Apostle. Studying at Rome, Irenaeus became a priest at Lyons and later bishop, after the previous bishop was martyred.

Irenaeus proved himself an important

theologian, and his teaching became highly significant in the 20th century, especially on the apostolic succession of popes and bishops and the canon of Scripture upholding the supreme authority of the four Gospels complementing each other.



Children's Corner

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Reflection

Called to be Saints

Like the multitude of witnesses before us, we are called to be saints, in order to be heralds of hope for the world.

That was the message of Pope Francis during the General Audience with pilgrims in a very sunny and warm St. Peter's Square last Wednesday.

Francis said the saints who have gone before us show us the path of Christian hope and teach us to follow in their footsteps.

'God never abandons us. Whenever we are in need, one of His angels will come to pick us up and console us. "Angels" sometimes have a human face and heart, because the saints of God are always here, hidden in our midst.'

'It is possible to be saints because the Lord helps us'.

Being a saint means doing your daily duties, like 'praying, working taking care of the kids', but 'doing all with a heart open to God.'

Living a saintly life is 'the great gift that each of us can offer to the world'.

'Our history needs "mystics", people who reject every dominion and aspire to charity and solidarity - men and women who live by accepting even a portion of suffering, because they take upon themselves the difficulties of their neighbour. Without these men and women, the world would be without hope.'

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25th June 2017

25th June 2nd July, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Bill Critchley (A) 9:30am Edward Fairclough 11:00am Catenian's President's Sunday Mass 11:00am Special Intention (CN) 6:30pm Mark Edmondson (ill) France Dickinson (L.D.) 6:30pm

Weekday Masses Saints of the Week Monday 8:30am Bryan Gilgun (A)

Tuesday 8:30am Alan West (A) St. Cyril of Alexandria

Wednesay 8:30am Hilda Haworth St. Irenaeus Thursday 9:30am Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Paul Mulhearn (A)

7:00pm **Tom Wilcock** 8:30am Ken Brindle Friday

Saturday 10:00am Georgina C. Scott St. Oliver Plunket

Weekly Confession Saturday after morning Mass Rosary 20 minutes before weekday Mass

Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Kitty Ellison, Jayne Hodge, Brigid Cain, Mary Patten, Agnes Martindale, Robert Stretton, Mildred Bridge, Margaret Wood, Harold Sutton, Margaret Bower, Thomas Moss, Gerard Baker, Hugh Daly, Margaret Dearden, Maureen Jackson, Maureen McIver, Bill Burns, Lois Chiasson, Gerard McGuigan, Moya Jones, Teresa Kershaw, Teresa Critchley, Winifred Calderbank, Victoria Mary Birkett

Bless thy servants who are sick O Lord and send them help from thy holy place. Amen.

Catenian President's Sunday

Today we welcome the Chorley Catenians to the 11.00am Mass, as they celebrate the start of their presidential year. Terence Donnelly is the new president and we wish him a successful and blessed year. The name 'Catenians' means 'a circle' of friends, the Chorley circle was established over a 100 years ago. A long and honourable association of Catholic laymen, they work 'to strengthen family life through friendship and faith' and in particular support young people in their faith projects. Why not join them? Have a word with any of them here today to find out more...

Wedding bells

On Saturday Emma Procter and Philip Whittington will be married here at our church. May the Lord bless them and grant them many years of happiness in their marriage.

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £765 and the special collection for the Day for Life which amounted to £312.55. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Thursday - The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul

The children from School will join us at mass in the morning for a joyful celebration of the feast day of these two great witnesses to Jesus and the earliest times of Christianity. Our own lives as Christians are rooted in their faith and faithfulness. The mandatory special collection of 'Peter's Pence' will be taken for the upkeep of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Parish Party

In response to the Archbishop's suggestion that this is an event that should be continued for the good of the parish, we will have the Garden Party on Saturday 26th August. Put it in your diary. It will be a family fun day, the details have not been worked out yet and suggestions and help will be gratefully received. More details at a later date.

Safeguarding Conference 8th July

The Diocesan Safeguarding Department are hosting a half day conference focusing on ways in which we can contribute to ensuring that all in our parish communities are safeguarded. There are six workshops you can choose to take part in. Further details http://.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/safeguardingconference. Please register on 0151 522 1043.

Ministering to the AssemblyCounters26th JuneDerek and Celia BirchallRotas2nd July

Sandra Donnelly and Madge Martin S.A.S. Dial a Ride Tommy McGuigan & Paul Thompson

Marissa Sanders Readers Carla Blears Paul Tate Eucharistic Ministers Yvonne Cunliffe Nora Ball Joe Comerford Christopher Huddy Denise Conway Ulrika Yeomans

> Jack Knight Daryl Hobin