BAPTISM

Today we welcome in Baptism Phoebe Rey Anne Deverson. We wish her and her family every blessing as they start out on their faith journey.

NOVEMBER PIOUS LIST INTENTIONS

There are envelopes available as you leave the church for your November Pious List Intentions. These can either be returned next Sunday at Mass or posted through the letterbox during the week.

SYNOD 2020

The Synod Sunday resources - including the summary of proposals and affirmations have now been published on the Synod website. synod2020.co.uk/proposals

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2020

After due consideration, we thought about having 3 Christmas Masses this year which will be both LiveStreamed and open to Public Worship. They would be 7:00pm & 9:00pm on Christmas Eve and 9:30am on Christmas Day. For this year only there will be no 11:00am Mass on Christmas Day. Obviously because of expected numbers these Masses will have to be ticketed occasions. Tickets will be made available once we know the lockdown situation we are in later in the year.

REAL CHRISTMAS TREES

'The Friends of St Gregory's (FOSG) are once again pleased to be offering top quality Nordmann Fir Christmas trees, the most luxurious Christmas trees you will find at a fraction of the retail cost. Various sizes available. Where possible please place orders online via www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofstgregorys with secure card payments. Order forms can also be obtained from the school Tel: 01257 263865
All proceeds to the FOSG.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

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WEEKLY COLLECTION
w/c 18th October 2020

Gift Aid: **£134.50**
Loose Plate: **£153.27**
Standing Orders: **£310.85**

Thank you for your kind and generous donations which go towards the upkeep of the church.

The CAFOD collection will remain open until the end of the month. Thank you.

REFLECTION

In today's Gospel from St Matthew, we are reminded that whatever we do for each other, we do for and to Jesus himself and conversely, whatever we fail to do for each other, we fail to do for Jesus. As followers of Jesus we are not only asked to have a relationship with God, but we are also called and challenged to be aware of, and concerned about, those with whom we live and work and to love our friends and relations. But it's not always that simple and our lives are not always that straight forward. What about the hard days when we feel unappreciated by work colleagues or unsupported by friends. What about when we are ill or those around us receive news that is unexpectedly bad? What then? In our society, love is too often merely equated with emotion and sentiment - but there is so much more to love than that. The Christian understanding of love means giving selflessly to another. If you love someone, it doesn't just mean you have certain feelings for that person, but rather that you are willing to sacrifice for their benefit. Love is a choice - it's the choice to give freely of yourself for the good of another. So, if we say we love God but don't take the time to be concerned about those around us, then something is missing. It simple enough to understand, but more challenging to live out! Our faith life is a journey of learning how to better love God and love others each day. It's often through very small seemingly unimportant deeds, actions and gestures of love that our love for others and our faith can be seen. The Irish poet Patrick Kavanagh, in his poem 'The Great Hunger', states that 'God is in the bits and pieces of everyday'. Perhaps therefore we need to look in the unexpected places, in the small and seemingly insignificant parts of our day, to see that God has given us unexpected gifts for which we should be grateful. We should never underestimate the power of a small gesture such as a smile or a kind word - these small acts of kindness are how we love both God and our neighbours in our daily lives.

Please Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Who are Sick

Maureen Jackson - Madge Henshaw - Winifred Calderbank
Hugh O'Daly - Kitty Ellison - Julie Hurley - Danny Harrison - Thomas Moss
Margaret Shaw - Eileen Nuttall - Baby Elmo Allan - Theresa Anne Knowles

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 Roger Walmsley.

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

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

IMPORTANT NOTICES

LOCAL LOCK DOWN RESTRICTIONS

As we have now entered a local lockdown, it is more important than ever to ensure that we remain compliant with the restrictions and national government guidelines. Please can I therefore ask once again that you do not congregate outside church or on the car park after Mass but instead all return directly to your cars after leaving the building. Thank you.

HOLY COMMUNION

Following further guidance received from the Archdiocese relating to local lockdown rules, we are unfortunately no longer permitted to take Holy Communion to the sick and housebound until further notice.

SERVICE TIMES

Weekday Mass times are as follows:
8:30am Mon/Wed/Fri and 10:00am Tues/Thurs/Sat

Sunday Mass times will remain as 9:30am (Public Worship) & 11:00am (LiveStream)

It is important to emphasise that the **Sunday obligation has <u>not</u> been re-instated**; people who are shielding or at risk should not feel obliged to attend any mass; people who have had any symptoms of COVID 19 should not attend for at least 14 days after the symptoms first appeared.

Restrictions remain in place include the wearing of face masks and giving personal details for track and trace purposes. Social distancing of 1 metre+ will be observed and maximum numbers of 80 at St Gregory's.
For details of services and devotions at other local churches, please see relevant Parish newsletters or websites for individual information.

God Bless you all
Fr Graeme Dunne

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sun 25 Oct	**9:30am (Public Worship)**	**30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	Teresa Iddon Bernard Rigby (A)	
Sun 25 Oct	**11:00am (LiveStream)**	**30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	For one who is terminally ill, we pray for a peaceful death	
Mon 26 Oct	**8:30am**	St Chad & St Cedd Chad	Derek Smith Tommy McGuigan	
Tues 27 Oct	**10:00am**		Pat Hooper (LD) Margaret Berry	**HOLY HOUR (LiveStream) 1:00pm - 1:45pm**
Wed 28 Oct	**8:30am**	St Simon & St Jude	In Thanksgiving for St Gregory's Volunteers & Helpers	
Thu 29 Oct	**10:00am**		Patrick Loughran Marion Fishwick	**HOLY HOUR (LiveStream) 1:00pm - 2:00pm**
Fri 30 Oct	**8:30am**		Jozefa Kolodziejczak Winnie Kennedy (A)	
Sat 31 Oct	**10:00am**		Pat Hooper (LD) Special Intention (MB)	
Sun 01 Nov	**9:30am (Public Worship)**	**ALL SAINTS**	Zygmunt Kolodziejczak (A) Pious List Intentions	
Sun 01 Nov	**11:00am (LiveStream)**	**ALL SAINTS**	Pious List Intentions	