

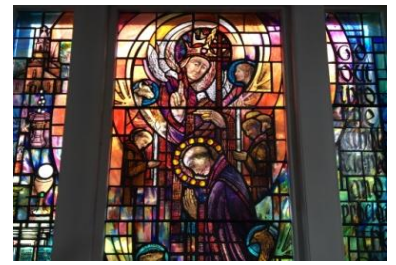
# St. Gregory's Newsletter

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## Saint of the Week

### St. John Bosco

Born in the diocese of Turin in 1815 John was brought up by his mother in extreme poverty. He founded the Salesian Order working in educating boys and young men of the working class as well as providing for the training of shoemakers and tailors. With his eloquent preaching along with his charismatic personality, he drew many to his oratory and evening classes. Renowned for dealing with difficult youths without punishment, he had a gentle and effective firmness. When he died in 1888, 40,000 people visited his body as it lay in state.



## Reflection

### God has created me.... by St. John Henry Newman

God has created me to do Him some definite service;  
He has committed some work to me  
Which He has not committed to another.  
I have my mission – I never may know it in this life,  
But I shall be told it in the next.  
Somehow I am necessary for His purposes ...  
I have a part in this great work; I am a link in a chain,  
A bond of connection between persons.  
He has not created me for naught. I shall do good, I shall do  
His work;  
I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own  
place, while not intending it,  
If I do but keep His commandments  
And serve him in my calling.  
Therefore I will trust Him.  
Whatever, wherever I am,  
I can never be thrown away.  
If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him;  
In perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him;  
If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him.  
My sickness, or perplexity, or sorrow may be  
Necessary cause of some great end, which is quite beyond us.  
He does nothing in vain; He may prolong my life,  
He may shorten it;  
He knows what He is about.  
He may take away my friends,  
He may throw me among strangers,  
He may make me feel desolate,  
Make my spirits sink, hide the future from me –  
Still He knows what He is about....  
Let me be Thy blind instrument. I ask not to see –  
I ask not to know – I ask simply to be used.

## Childrens' Corner

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# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Sunday 29th January

9:30am Derek Parker  
11:00am Joseph Kenyon (A)  
6:30pm Richard & Mary Brierley

## Saints of the Week

St. John Bosco  
  
The Presentation of our Lord  
St. Blaise

## Weekday Masses

Mon.	10:00am	Requiem Mass for Margaret Holmes
Tues.	8:30am	John Gilgun & Jake
	1:00pm	Requiem Mass for John Oaks
Wed.	8:30am	Silvio Rossi
Thurs.	8:30am	Marion & Jack Birchall
Fri.	8:30am	Eucharistic Service
Sat.	10:00am	Eucharistic Service

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February

9.30am Madge Critchley(A)  
11.00am Mary Spedding (A)  
6:30pm Special Intention Christina Ashworth

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

## Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Kitty Ellison, Jayne Hodge, Kathleen Reynolds, Brigid Cain, Mary Patten, Agnes Martindale, Robert Stretton, Hilda Haworth, Mildred Bridge, Margaret Wood, Harold Sutton, Margaret Bower, Thomas Moss, Gerard Baker, Hugh Daly, Margaret Dearden, Maureen Jackson, Dorothy McDonald (Howarth), Maureen McIver, Bill Burns, Lois Chiasson, Gerard McGuigan, Moya Jones, Teresa Kershaw, Teresa Critchley, Mary Ellison

*Sadly we record the death of John Oaks on 21<sup>st</sup> January. We pray for him and his family, may he rest in peace.*

## Prayer Request

John Sherriff asks us to remember Nora (née Cafferkey) who we buried here over a year ago. Her remains are now in a family grave at Archill Sound in the West of Ireland. 1<sup>st</sup> February would have been Nora's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please say a prayer for her.

## Collection

Thank you very much for last week's collection of £982.

## Graveyard

Reece reminds us that the team will be removing Christmas wreaths etc. from the churchyard in the week starting 6<sup>th</sup> February. If there is anything you wish to save please collect it before it is removed.

## Pastoral Letter

The Archbishop has sent us another letter which we will hear at Mass today. A copy has been placed on the noticeboard also.

## Love, Andrew x

Pam Dearden would like to thank us for the enthusiastic response to her book about their family's journey with Andrew, who used to be an altar boy here at St. Gregory's. 30 books were sold and together with 2 anonymous donations this raised £60 for the charity 'Headway' in Preston. Contact Frank or Teresa Walmsley if you still wish to purchase a copy.

## Marriage and Family Life

Every year Archbishop Malcolm McMahon invites us to the Cathedral for a special mass to celebrate family life, which is seen by the Church as a foundation and as such should be celebrated and needs all our support. If you have a special anniversary this is a great opportunity to celebrate it in style, or perhaps you know a couple who is getting married or was married last year, please let them know of the event. All very welcome, **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00am**. Refreshments after in the Gibberd Room. See poster.

## Save the date

The Catenians are holding a Charity Disco at St. Joseph's Parish Centre in aid of "Friends of the Holyland" on 4<sup>th</sup> March. More details nearer the time, also see the poster in the church. (Contact Bill Critchley, Terence Donnelly, David Walmsley)

## Scripture Mornings

Are you free on Thursday mornings from 10.30am to 12:00 noon? Fr. Chris Thomas is leading a series of reflections on the Acts of the Apostles. Venue: Irenaeus in Waterloo, this side of Liverpool, L22 1RD. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Tel 0151 949 1199. No charge but donations welcome. Also see the poster on the noticeboard.

## Recovery from Divorce and Separation

'This course is the single most helpful thing I have done'. If you are interested in a course for the Divorced & Separated, please contact Maureen from the Department of Pastoral Formation on 07967 753371. Please see the poster in the porch, this is a new course offered by the Archdiocese. Starting 21<sup>st</sup> February at Ormskirk.

## Ministering to the Assembly

**Counters** 30<sup>th</sup> January Derek and Celia Birchall

**Rotas** 5<sup>th</sup> February, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**S.A.S.** Janet and Pauline Critchley

**Dial a Ride** Barry Crossen & Catherine Jackson

**Readers** Michael Hall

Sara Norse

Mary Mark

**Euch. Ministers** David Chadwick

Paul Thompson

Ulrika Yeomans

Chris Huddy

Edward Brierley

To be confirmed

Clare Meredith

Paul Thompson