

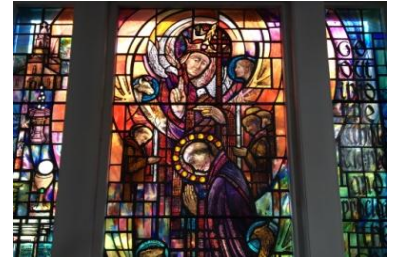
St. Gregory's Newsletter

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Our Lady of Fatima

On 13th May 1917 our 'Lady of the Rosary' appeared to three shepherd children in Fatima/Portugal, and then on the 13th of the five following months. Francisco and Jacinta, who died very young, were beatified by Pope St. John Paul II in 2000, and will be canonised by Pope Francis when he visits Fatima this Saturday to lead the centenary celebrations. Cardinal Vincent Nichols lead the service of re-consecration of England to the Immaculate Heart of Mary in April.

From the Jubilee Prayer of Consecration

Hail, Mother of the Lord, Virgin Mary, Queen of the Rosary of Fatima!... You are the image of the Church dressed in the Paschal light... Show us the strength of the mantle of protection. In your Immaculate Heart, be the refuge of sinners and the way that leads to God.....

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!



Children's Corner

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E	G	R	E	G	N	A	R	T	S

SHEEPFOLD	THIEF	BRIGAND
SHEPHERD	FLOCK	GATEKEEPER
STRANGER	PARABLE	PASTURE
STEAL	KILL	LIFE



Thoughts on Vocations Sunday

The Church can be compared to a tree with branches and flowers – different callings and vocations making up the family of the Church.

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Today we celebrate the priesthood and consecrated life.

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If somebody calls me, I need to pick up the phone to get the message. A call needs action on part of the one who is called.

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We are quite good at calling on God when we are in need of help, but do we listen out for his calling us? And do we respond?

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'Speak Lord, your servant is listening', said the young Samuel in the story in the Bible, after consulting one of the elders and realising it was God who was calling his name every night.

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A nice model of prayer if you are seeking to know God's will.

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We need to be people who **listen** to God, respond with **love**, and then **live** accordingly day to day.

Such a vibrant church community enables others to hear God's call.

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Perhaps YOU or somebody you know are called to the priesthood or consecrated life?

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Open your heart to God and believe that God calls ordinary people to become priests or religious – no need to be heroic or completely at ease with the idea.

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A discussion with a priest or religious about your own possible vocation can bring great joy.

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To feel called by God to follow him in an exclusive way, to become a 24/7 disciple available for the needs of the family of the Church, requires something extra in an otherwise ordinary life.

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Priests and Religious are not extraordinary, they are ordinary people called to make visible the extra dimensions in ordinary life.

4th Sunday of Easter – Vocations Sunday - 7th May 2017

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9:30am Mary Fish (A)
11:00am Brian Dougan (LD)
6:30pm Thomas and Mildred Wilcock

5th Sunday of Easter, 14th May

9:30am Joseph Robinson
11:00am Thanksgiving(DC) Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Bern.
6:30pm Tom Wilcock (Wedding A.)

Weekday Masses

Bank Hol. Mon. 10:00am Norman Martin (B)
Tuesday 8:30am Jim Dunn (A)
Wednesday 8:30am Rosemarie Orbainczyk
Thursday 8:30am LISCF
Friday 8:30am The Bridcut Family
Saturday 10:00am William Moore

Saints of the Week

St. Pancras
Dedication of Liverpool Cathedral of Christ the King

Weekly Confession Saturday after morning Mass

Rosary 20 minutes before weekday Mass

Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Kitty Ellison, Jayne Hodge, Kathleen Reynolds, 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

Preparing for Baptism - and Holy Communion

At the 11:00am Mass today we give a warm welcome to families preparing for Baptism. Please keep them in your prayers.

Next Sunday we welcome the children preparing for their first Communion with the Children's Liturgy @ 11am Mass. They will have a 'get together' in the church house afterwards.

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £874.

Priests Training Fund

On this day which is dedicated to prayer for the priesthood and religious life, we also take a special collection to support those in training to serve the Church 24/7. Extra envelopes at the back if you would like to gift aid your donation and do not have a parish envelope.

Vocations Weekend for Young Women

The Faithful Companions of Jesus (fcjsisters.org) invite young women who are considering the vocation to religious life to a retreat in Broadstairs, Kent. More info on the notice board. 26 – 28th May 2017

Cathedral Golden Jubilee

Although it is also the Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima and the centenary of her appearing to the children, this Saturday we celebrate the solemnity of the Dedication of our Cathedral of Christ the King in Liverpool, the Golden Jubilee of our Mother Church. A very special concert marks the beginning of the celebrations, see posters for details and future events.

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Please support the St. Vincent de Paul Society as they take their monthly collection today, and importantly also remember in your prayers their work with people in need of assistance.

March For Life Festival

Seats are available on coaches going to this *Life* event in Birmingham, Saturday 20th May.

Book your seat

- WARRINGTON - Peter Boyle - 07941 169870 - p.boyle400@btinternet.com
- MANCHESTER - Richard Mullan - 07710 348860 - richandju@gmail.com
- CROSBY, STOPPING AT LIVERPOOL CITY CENTRE - Anne Fearon - 07840 502315 - annefearon@spuc.org.uk

Ministering to the Assembly

Counters 8th May, Derek and Celia Birchall

Rotas 14th May, 5th Sunday of Easter

S.A.S. Mary Wakeman and Liz Fowler

Dial a Ride Taxi

Readers Jack Knight

Euch. Ministers Richard Jackson

Clare Meredith

Margaret Scard

Linda Walmsley

David Chadwick

Emmy Moss

Barbara Slater

Linda Corcoran

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