

St. Gregory's Newsletter

2nd Sunday of Easter 8th April 2018

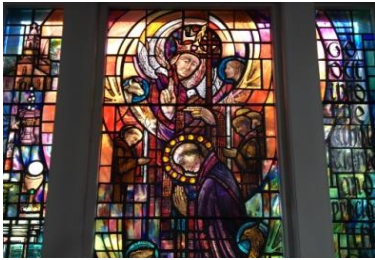
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Saint of the Week

ST. STANISLAUS

Born to noble parents in Szczepanow near Cracow, Poland, Stanislaus was educated and ordained at Gnesen. He soon became a much sought after preacher and spiritual adviser. Named Bishop of Cracow in 1072, he incurred the enmity of King Boleslaus the Bold when he denounced the King's cruelties and injustices, and especially his kidnapping of the beautiful wife of a nobleman. When Stanislaus excommunicated the King and stopped service at the Cathedral when Boleslaus entered, Boleslaus himself killed Stanislaus while the Bishop was saying Mass in a chapel outside the city on 11th April.

Stanislaus has long been
 The symbol of Polish
 Nationhood.
 He was canonised by
 Pope Innocent IV in 1253
 And is the principle patron
 Of Cracow.



Easter Reflection

Christ's resurrection is not an event of the past; it contains a vital power which has permeated this world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up.

It is an irresistible force.

Often it seems that God does not exist: all around us we see persistent injustice, evil, indifference and cruelty. But it is also true that in the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. On razed land life breaks through, stubbornly yet invincibly.

However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads.

Each day in our world beauty is born anew, it rises transformed through the storm of history. Values always tend to reappear under new guises, and human beings have risen time after time from situations that seemed doomed. Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelize are instruments of that power.

Pope Francis
 The Joy of the Gospel
 (Evangeliium Gaudium 276)



Children's Corner

T	S	B	U	O	D	Y	E	S	R	STORY	ROAD	BREAD	FRIGHT
N	E	O	B	T	R	E	H	E	H	GHOST	DOUBTS	HANDS	FEET
E	Y	N	R	O	T	S	C	E	S	TOUCH	BONES	FISH	PSALMS
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2nd Sunday of Easter - Day of Divine Mercy

8th April

9:30am Peter Evans (A & B)

11:00am Canon Richard Firth

NO EVENING MASS

15th April, 3rd Sunday of Easter

9:30am Mary Croft (B)

11:00am Jack Simmonds (4th A)

6:30pm Oswald Corcoran

Weekday Mass

Monday 8:30am John & Judith Kenyon

Tuesday **8:30am Stephen Rainford**

Wednesday **8:30am Paul McManus**

Thursday **8:30am Rita Devine (Get well)**

Friday 8:30am Jean Rothwell

Saturday 10:00am Paul McManus & McManus Family

St. Stanislaus

St. Martin I

Weekly Confession: after Saturday morning Mass

Rosary: Twenty minutes before weekday Mass

Please Pray for Our Sick Brothers and Sisters

Margaret Wood, Bill Burns, Margaret Bower, Winifred Calderbank, Hugh O'Daly, Victoria Mary Birkett, Lois Chiasson, Mildred Bridge, Robert Stretton, Bill Barnes, Maureen Jackson, Olive Farnworth, Theresa Kershaw, Gerard McGuigan, Julie Hurley, Thomas Moss, Paul Spedding, Maureen Hill, Fred Simpson, Thomas and Joan Woodruff



Canon Richard Firth

We welcome His Grace Archbishop Malcolm McMahon at the 11:00am Mass today, the first anniversary of Father Firth's death. After the celebration of Mass the Archbishop will bless the newly erected stone in our new cemetery in memory of Father Firth. We extend a big welcome to his family who have flown in from Ireland to be with us for this very special occasion which fittingly concludes our celebration of the Easter Octave.

Collection

Thank you for the Easter Sunday collection of £1371.82 Thank you for your Generosity.

Walk with me (Eastertide journey): There are copies of this little booklet at the back of church, not only will they help you celebrate Easter but also The Eucharistic Congress **Adoremus** which takes place in Liverpool in September. Please take a copy and use it in the days ahead.

FORWARD PLANNING

Come Celebrate the Child

This annual family celebration Mass this year will be held at Notre Dame College, Great Homer Street, Liverpool L5 5AF on Sunday 1st July at 3:00pm. Archbishop Malcolm will be the main celebrant and Mass will be followed by afternoon tea. Picnic and fun activities start from 1:00pm.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

The Annual Pilgrimage of members and friends of the Chorley Branch of the Association from throughout Lancashire will take place this year from 18th to 22nd June. The cost will be £304.50 per person, and the coach will leave Chorley early in the morning. More information from J. Noblet, 01257 265498. Please see poster.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019

Would you be interested in a Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, if you are please let Fr Graeme know, if there are enough people he will start making plans. More details in the weeks ahead.

MINISTERING TO THE ASSEMBLY

Counting 9th April

S.A.S. 16th April

Dial a Ride "

Readers "

Eucharistic Ministers

Denise and Bruce Conway

Yvonne Cunliffe and Marian Knight

Linda and David Walmsley

Terence Donnelly

Louise Cogan

Clare Meredith

David Chadwick

Nora Ball

Edward Brierley

Barbara Slater

Richard Jackson

Helen Graham

Carol Hardman

Joe Comerford