#### Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady (pg.186) 14<sup>th</sup> August 2016 St. Gregory's Newsletter

Sunday 14th August

9.30am

Weekday Masses Albert Jones Mon. 8.30am Father Kevin Mulhearn (LD)

Tues. 8.30am Catherine Corcoran (A) 11.00am Peter Molloy (sick) Wed. 8:30am Catherine & Cecil de Lacey (A) 6.30pm **Parishioners** 

Thurs. 8.30am Katie Walsh (A) 8.30am Kathleen Swarbrick (A) Sat. 8.30am Special Intention

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August

9.30am William & Anne Frearson (A)

11.00am Katie Walsh 6.30pm Frank Smith

#### Please Pray For Our Sick Brothers And Sisters

Kitty Ellison · Jayne Hodge · Kathleen Reynolds · Bridget Cain · Hazel Lee · 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) Howard Line Maureen McIver Bill Burns Lois Chiasson · Emily Blears (just 4 months old) · Tom Wilcock · Peter Molloy

And please remember John Marshall (92) who will be buried here on Wednesday at 10.00am. We offer our sympathy to David and Philip and their families. May he rest in peace.

The Archbishop has invited all the diocesan deaneries to come to the Cathedral "on pilgrimage" to celebrate this Year of Mercy. The Chorley Deanery is invited to join him there on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October.

It is intended that we arrive for 10.00am and enter the Cathedral through the "Holy Door". There will be a Reconciliation Service at 10.45am with Confessions from 11.00am to 12noon. All the Deanery priests will be present. The Archbishop will celebrate Mass with the Deanery priests concelebrating at 12.15pm. It is a three line whip for us - and I hope it will be so for all our parishioners. I have asked the Committee to organise coaches to leave from here at 8.30am. A list will go up on the notice board for the names of those who can come - £5 adult, children free. Can we all make an effort to join this 'pilgrimage' to celebrate God's loving mercy.

#### God's Banker

When I first came here Catherine Todd mentioned that John took the school monies to the bank... Oh, said I, do you think he would take the parish monies, too. That was sixteen years ago, so John has made nearly a thousand visits to HSBC in Chorley taking our collections to the bank. I would want to say a huge thank-you to John who has done this for us for these sixteen years.

Now, who will volunteer to take his place... that's the question! Please will you think about it – it does need car availability – but you can pick your own day and time. And it need not be a sixteen year commitment! Obviously the answer would be for a number of volunteers to share the job...

While on that subject, renewed thanks to the counting teams who each Monday count and prepare the banking. A few additional volunteers (two per team) would be helpful. You won't get ten percent of the take, but you will get a cup of coffee! (The new parish priest might also produce biscuits!)

Yesterday we celebrated the wedding of Graham Wood and Laura Hodgkinson and we wish them every blessing and happiness in their married life. Next Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>) Dominic Phillipson and Angela Woosey will be married here with Nuptial Mass at 12noon. We wish them a splendid celebration and every blessing in their married life.

#### **Baptism**

Yesterday we welcomed in Baptism Isabella Duxbury-Dunn and today we welcome in the morning Max Dodds and in the afternoon Amelia Juskevicius. We ask the Lord to bless them and their families.

### **Banns**

Paul Gareth Thompson and Stephanie Jane Darlington intend to marry at the Church of the Assumption in Bled, Slovenia, next Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> August. We wish them every blessing.

## Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £985.

# Offertory Envelopes

The next year envelopes start on 21<sup>st</sup> August. Please take a box for your use from the porch.

Will those of you who "gift aid" your donations (to allow us to reclaim the tax you have already paid on your donations) please collect your box from the sacristy and tick your name off the list as you collect the box - we are obliged to record the amount given under the Gift Aid scheme to justify the tax reclaim. A number of parishioners (20 plus) make their donations by standing order. If you wish to use this method please collect a standing order form from the sacristy. But above all, thank you for your continued and generous financial support of the parish.

## **Ministering to the Assembly**

Counters (15<sup>th</sup> August) Marie Dewland & Mary Hargreaves

(21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time) Rotas

S.A.S. Sandra Donnelly, Madge Martin, May West

Dial a Ride Barry Crossen & Catherine Jackson

Daryl Hobin Norma Gillett Readers Terence Donnelly **Ministers** Margaret Scard Clare Meredith Anthony Hooson

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