

St. Gregory's Newsletter

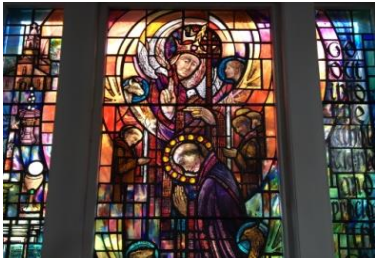
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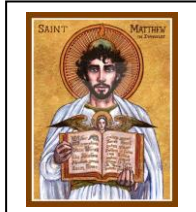
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Saint of the Week

St. Matthew Apostle of Jesus

Called Levi by Mark and Luke, a publican i.e. tax collector of Jewish race, Matthew worked for the Romans before he left all at the call of Jesus. From very early times he has been regarded as the author of the Gospel that bears his name. He was the son of Alphaeus. His apostolic activity was at first restricted to the communities of Palestine. There is a tradition that associates him with Ethiopia; other traditions mention Parthia and Persia. It is uncertain whether he died a natural death or received the crown of martyrdom. His Gospel was written to fill a sorely-felt want for his fellow countrymen, both believers and unbelievers.



Reflection

"You are the Christ"

In today's gospel Jesus presents us with a challenging question, 'who do you say I am?' Perhaps the most challenging element of this question is whether we talk about him at all!

The Messiah's characteristics are revealed above all in the "Servant songs."

"The Son of Man is destined to suffer grievously "

There we learn the meaning of Jesus' Passion and how he will pour out the Holy Spirit to give life to the many: not as an outsider, but by embracing our "form as slave. Taking our death upon himself, he can communicate to us his own Spirit of Life. This is why Christ inaugurates the proclamation of the Good News by making his own the following passage from Isaiah:

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the LORD'S favour."

(from Salford Diocese Liturgy online)

Children's Corner

R	H	T	A	E	D	O	R	C	P
A	E	C	N	U	O	N	E	R	H
N	C	W	S	A	T	A	O	A	S
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 CROSS PROPHETS RENOUNCE LIFE



Talk in Warrington
 CAFOD's Senior
 Emergency Manager
 Robert Cruickshank will
 be speaking about our
 work in the drought-
 ridden areas of East
 Africa and Ethiopia in
 particular. All welcome to
 this free event on Monday
 17 September at St
 Joseph's, Penketh,
 Warrington WA5 2BB.
 RSVP (for catering)
liverpool@cafod.org.uk or
 call Ged or Colette on
 0151 228 4028.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Home Mission Sunday

16th September

9:30am John Shaw (A)
11:00am Jack Simmonds (B)
6:30pm Thanksgiving for a 70th Birthday

Weekday Mass

Monday 8:30am Teresa Critchley
Tuesday 8:30am Hugh O'Daly (B)
Wednesday 8:30am Valerie Bretherton
Thursday 8:30am Joe Waring (LD)
Friday 8:30am Graham Gaskell
Saturday 10:00am Ken Brindle

Weekly Confession: after Saturday morning 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, Maureen Jackson, Olive Farnworth, Theresa Kershaw, Gerard McGuigan, Julie Hurley, Thomas Moss, Fred Simpson, Joan Woodruff, Nora Taylor, Marian Leyland, Margaret Wrennall, Harold Sutton
Bless thy servants who are sick, O Lord, and send them help from thy holy place. Amen.

Sadly we announce the death of Bill Barnes on 11th September. His funeral arrangements have not been confirmed.
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, let perpetual light shine upon him, may he rest in peace. Amen.

23rd September, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Ann & Agnes Walsh
11:00am Mgr. Leo Alston
6:30pm Gordon & Janette Latham

St. Robert Bellarmine

St. Januarius & St. Theodore of Canterbury
Saints Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chang
Hasang and his Companions
St. Matthew

Rosary: Twenty minutes before weekday Mass

Parish News

Welcome

As Father Graeme has gone on his much-deserved annual holiday, we welcome back Father Julius Madaki from Nigeria and hope he will enjoy his stay with us for the next few weeks.

Congratulations

Today we welcome in Baptism Eleanor Rose Critchley and Evie Jane Ivers. We wish them a wonderful day of celebration, and every blessing as they start out on their new faith journey.

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £926.35 and for the collection of 176.41 for the Education Services. Today's second collection is for the Home Missions, helping Catholics in England and Wales to spread the Gospel here at home. See www.homemission.org.uk for more information.

Parish Ministry

Thank you to those who volunteered to become new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and those who showed an interest in forming a Bereavement Care team to support parishioners who have suffered the loss of a loved one. More volunteers gratefully accepted. Information about the training courses is available on the notice board.

Parish Administrator

A big thank you to those who applied for the role of parish administrator. We are truly blessed with committed and skilled parishioners. And I am pleased to say that Christine Edwards has been appointed parish administrator and will be taking up her role in October.

Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

If you or anybody you know would wish to become a Catholic, this is advance notice that when Father Graeme gets back from holiday, preparations for the RCIA course will start in October. Please get in touch!

Ministering to the Assembly

Counting	17 th September	David Chadwick and Pauline Turner	
S.A.S.	23 rd September	Sandra Donnelly and Madge Martin	
Dial a Ride	"	Taxi	
Readers	"	Louise Cogan	Dominic Stone
Eucharistic Ministers		Jack Knight	Margaret Scard
		Richard Jackson	Helen Mather
		Clare Meredith	David Chadwick
			Paul Tate
			Ulrike Yeomans
			David Porter