

St. Gregory's Newsletter

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8th July 2018

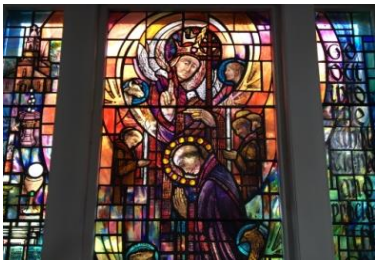
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Saint of the Week ST. HENRY

This Holy Roman Emperor was born in Bavaria and succeeded his father, Henry the Quarrelsome as duke of Bavaria in 995 becoming emperor in 1002. A main political aim was to unite the German Empire and this he largely achieved. However, he used the Church for political ends but, after being crowned by the pope in 1014, he restored property and wealth in several sees and founded that of Bamberg, where he built both the cathedral and a monastery. The humility and sense of justice of the saint were equal to his zeal for religion. He and his wife had bound themselves to living in perpetual chastity as an offering of atonement to God. King Henry gave liberally to pious institutions and made many pious foundations, the most magnificent of which was the Cathedral of Bamberg. He died in 1024.



Reflection

'My Grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness'
St. Paul, 2 Corinthians 12:9

We naturally react against such a statement, seeing in it either a glaring contradiction or simply a paradox. Instead, it expresses one of the highest truths of the Christian faith.

Jesus explained it to us with his life and above all with his death.

When did he accomplish the task that the Father had entrusted to him? When did he redeem humanity? When did he conquer sin?

It was when he died on the cross, after having cried out, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Jesus was strongest just at his weakest moment. He could have given life to the new people of God just by preaching or doing a few more miracles or some extraordinary deed. Instead, it was not so, because the Church is the work of God and it is in suffering, and only in suffering, that the works of God flourish.

So our weakness and the awareness of our fragility present unique opportunities to experience the strength of Christ who died and is risen'.

Chiara Lubich quoted in Word of Life July 2018

Children's Corner

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S	J	S	O	O	I	R	D	U	J	OWN	COUNTRY	HOUSE
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Living Waters Food Bank

As school holidays are approaching our food bank is appealing for continued contributions for families struggling without the support of school meals.

Thank You for gifts of food, drink and toiletries.

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9:30am John & Alice Houghton
11:00am The Wilcock Family (F.M.)
6:30pm Mary Young

15th July, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Brian Fish (A)
11:00am Mary Rainford
6:30pm Gladys Bennett

Weekday Mass

Monday	8:30am	In Thanksgiving	SS. Augustine Zhao Rong & his companions
Tuesday	10:00am	Requiem Mass for Tom Woodruff	
Wednesday	8:30am	Kathleen Marmion (LD)	St. Benedict
Thursday	8:30am	Winifred Clitheroe (LD)	
	2:15pm	Requiem Maureen Hill	
Friday	8:30am	Martha & Edwin Grundy & the Kershaw family (FM)	St. Henry
Saturday	10:00am	Valerie Bretherton	St. Camillus of Lellis

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, Fred Simpson, Joan Woodruff, Nora Taylor, Marian Leyland, Margaret Wrennall, Harold Sutton

PARISH NEWS

Mass of Welcome

At the 11am Mass this morning we give a warm welcome to families preparing for Baptism. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Baptism

We welcome Seth Leo Ackers in Baptism today and wish him and his family a beautiful celebration and every blessing on their new faith journey.

Collection

Thank you for last week's collection of £785.15 and thank you for the Peter's Pence collection of £225.20. Also many thanks for your generous offering of £780 for the Missions, a cheque will be sent off to Father Oliver Leavy this Monday.

New Readers required!

As Nora is preparing the new rota, there is again an urgent appeal for new readers. In particular we need two new readers for the 6:30 evening Mass, and one reader for the 11am Mass. Please consider helping our parish community with this ministry.

Concert in the Parish Garden – Saturday 21st July

We need approximate numbers for catering purposes to prevent either running out of burgers and sausages, or wasting them! ***There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church, please write your name and an approximate number of people in your party, and whether food is required.*** A great family afternoon, 3 artists performing live from 1pm, limited drinks, alcoholic and non-alcoholic available, but please feel free to bring your own.

Scripture Group

The last meeting before the summer break will be on Wednesday, 18th July.

Church Toilet

We had an incident last week which completely blocked the toilet because hand towels were dropped into it, with very unpleasant consequences. As this has happened before, would everybody please make sure that ***only toilet paper*** is flushed away, everything else goes into the bin provided. Thank you.

Beer Festival

We are looking forward to St. Gregory's inaugural beer festival on Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening. If you don't have tickets, they may be purchased 'at the door', £4 including commemorative glass & programme. 16 beers and 4 ciders on offer and hoping to raise funds for a new marquee.

MINISTERING TO THE ASSEMBLY

Counting	9 th July	John and Mary Mark		
S.A.S.	15 th July	Sandra Donnelly and Madge Martin		
Dial a Ride	"	Paul Thompson & Tommy McGuigan		
Readers	"	Christine Crossen	Linda Walmsley	Alex Duxbury
Eucharistic Ministers		Linda Walmsley	Paul Thompson	Anthony Hooson
		Marian Knight	Margaret Scard	Melvyne Cunliffe
		Yvonne Cunliffe	Clare Meredith	