REGULAR PARISH GATHERINGS/MEETINGS

WEEKLY:

Scripture Group - Meet every Tuesday at 7.30pm in St. Gregory's Meeting Room.

Coffee Morning - St. Gregory's Meeting Room: Every Thursday following 9am Mass.

New Coffee Morning - Our Lady's - Every Friday following the 9am Mass **MONTHLY:**

Bereavement Drop in - 1st Thursday of Each Month 11am-12noon-Saint Gregory's Meeting Room.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Last Sunday of Each Month 4pm in Our Lady's Church.

A Time of Prayer, Praise & Reflection - Last Monday of Each Month 7-8pm in St. Gregory's Church

ALTERNATE WEEKS:

UCM - 30th October - Bring and Buy. Ladies from both parishes are always welcome.

Over 50's - 23rd October—Day out - meal at Haydock Golf Club.

Padua Pilgrimage 2020

Itineraries are available in the porch and booking forms are now available in both our sacristies. Although the trip is fully subscribed I have managed to secure more places for those who have expressed an interest. Please collect a form at your earliest convenience.

Note to Collectors - Head Count - throughout October, will you please take a head count at the weekend masses and note it down individually for each mass and return to the parish office. Thank you.

Thank you for your contribution to the work of the Parish which raised £869.88 for St. Gregory's and £288.52 for Our Lady's

Office Hours: Monday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 12noon. If you need to contact the office, please do so between the hours stated above.

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Webcam now fully installed and Live streaming! To access from the web please go to WWW.MCNMEDIA.TV.

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Parish Pastoral Development Opportunities

Youth Alpha/Prayers & Pizza - I am hoping, in the next couples of weeks, to introduce a Youth Alpha/Prayers & Pizza evening for all young people of secondary school age. Before I can begin this I need some help from anyone who has DBS clearance for work with Children and Adults, through the Archdiocese. It will largely involve a simple presence to cover safeguarding regulations for ratios of adults to young people. Please speak to Fr Grant after masses next weekend.

Archdiocesan Lay Formation Fund

The Archdiocese has now developed a fund that, with a successful bid, will match fund any courses where the parish priest is prepared to sponsor anyone undertaking a developmental course that will benefit them and the parish. This would cover the Pastoral Leadership Diploma, Catholic certificate in Catechesis and Flower arranging etc. To enquire for eligibility speak to Fr Grant about the match funding and then contact the Pastoral Formation Department on 0151-522-1040

Sowers, Seeds & Sowing - Continuing Conversations for Catechists leading to a new Diocesan Certificate in Catechesis.

This certificate take place over three sessions throughout the year. All sessions are open to both new and existing catechist and indeed to anyone interested in the conversation. Full details and dates are available on the noticeboard. If you would like to book on the course, please contact Pastoral Formation on 0151-522-1040 or email formation@rcaol.co.uk in order to register. Would you also please let the parish office know you are taking the course so that we can allocate the funding.

Diploma in Pastoral Ministry and Leadership

I would strongly encourage anyone who would like to take this course for personal development to take a leaflet and think about it. Please note the above diocesan fund which will potentially support the costs of the course too.



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Saints of the week:

Tuesday St John Paul II

Wednesday St John of Capistrano

Thursday St Antony Mary Claret

Saturday Ss Chad and Cedd.

PARISH OF SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

LITURGY: During the coming week:

First Mass of the Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday 19th 6.00pm Thanksgiving

Sunday 20th 8.00am Priest's Intentions

Our Lady's 9.30am People of the Parish

11.00am Walter Gordon L.D.

Monday 21st 9.00am Mary Bode Birthday Wish Tuesday 22nd 9.00am Nora Pat Coltman L.D.

Wednesday 23rd 9.00am Donna & Chris

Thursday 24th 9.00am Andrew Parry Successful Operation

Friday 25th 9.00am Tommy Barker

Saturday 26th 9.00am Repose the soul of Jesse Thomas Ellis

First Mass of the Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday 26th 6.00pm James & Elizabeth Conlan Sunday 27th 8.00am Jim Richard & Peter Larkin

Our Lady's 9.30am Mike Murphy Special Intention

11.00am Don Rimmer

Rosary: Every day following the 9am Mass in St. Gregory's Church and on Thursday evening at 7.00pm in Our Lady's Church.

Please remember the sick in your prayers: James Bolger, Agnes Brown, Alfred Chapman, Charles Clark, Jeremy Conlon, Colin Ennis, Jack Conyngham, Bernard Dawes, Peggy Doyle, Claire Houghton, Alexander Mangan, Isabel & Kevin Rogan, Christine McKeown, Vincent Mullen, Chris Murphy, Patricia Norris, Theresa Sanders, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike Sinnott, Joseph Turner, Darren Woods, Theresa Dawes, Kitty Riella, Anne Sinnott, Allan Doyle, Doreen Brown, Lawrence Benson, Vin Curran, Marie Hughes, Gladys & Don Lofthouse, Michael Murphy, Peter McClean, Nikki Robinson, Jeanette McGarrigle, Pat Leadbetter, Pauline Miller and Emma Brand. (*Please inform us if names are to be added or removed.*)

APF World Mission - This Sunday, 20th October -

There will be a retiring collection across all our masses this weekend.

Liverpool Archdiocese Annual Healing Service

Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral - Saturday 19th |October 3pm-7pm

School Mass in Church

The next school mass will be on Sunday 20th October at 11am. The music will be led by the choirs from both our Schools.



PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

Safeguarding Meeting for Parish Reps

Monday 21st at 5 pm in Our Lady's Presbytery
Please note that the Diocesan Safeguarding team will be joining us to help
us to review our current practice.

Visits to the Sick and housebound.

Fr Grant would like to undertake a round of visits with the respective Special Ministers of Communion. Could each minister make an appointment with him this week. Many thanks.

First Communion Parent's Meeting

This Sunday 20th October, 2019 following the celebration of our 11am Mass.

Dementia Friends - Fr. Grant and our Parish Dementia Champions Chris Benton and Helen Sousa invite you to attend a Dementia Friends information Session to be held at 7pm on Tuesday 22nd October, 2019 in Saint Gregory's Social Centre. The purpose of the Information Session is both to generate awareness of the condition in our community and to address some of the many misunderstandings, fears, stigma and negative perceptions held by society.

St John Henry Newman Canonisation Celebration

The Metropolitan Cathedral is hosting a special evening of celebration with our friends at Liverpool Cathedral to mark the Canonisation of Cardinal Newman on 7th November at 6pm. The evening will begin with a special joint Choral Evening Prayer, at the Cathedral, sung by both Cathedral choirs. This will be followed by a guest lecture with Newman scholars the Revd Canon Dr Rod Garner and the Right Reverend Monsignor Roderick Strange, who will share their insights on the influence of John Henry Newman on both the Anglican and Roman Catholic Church. You must register to go along. Details in parish office of the link to make your booking.

SYNOD 2020

Synod Talks -Monday 11 November 2019 - Faith & Theology in Later Life Dr Ros Stuart-Buttler.

Health and Safety

In order to comply with a health and safety audit that took place a while ago, we have now been asked to ensure that we have a sign in/out sheet for any key holder accessing either of our churches. This is to ensure that we comply with 'Work Alone Policies' and develop a procedure to ensure safety at all times. Please note, nobody should be on church premises for longer than an hour without being accompanied. This is for your safety and wellbeing should anything happen to you.