

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am St. Gregory's 4.30pm St. Gregory's	Special Intention People of the Parish
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> May 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30am Prayer Garden 11.00am St. Gregory's	Matt Henderson Josie Benton Thanksgiving
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> May	12noon Prayer Garden	Dave O'Donahue
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am St. Gregory's	Tom Webb
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> May	12noon Prayer Garden	Diocesan UCM Walsingham at home
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am St. Gregory's	Thanksgiving – Successful Operation
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> May	12noon Prayer Garden	NO MASS
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9.00am St. Gregory's 4.30pm St. Gregory's	Thanksgiving – Prayer Board (Jake) People of the Parish
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> May Pentecost Sunday	9.30am Prayer Garden 11.00am St. Gregory's	Patrick, Mary & Michael Cummins John Cummins LD

**Stewarding** - As you know, in order to be able to provide the public celebration of Mass, we have to ensure that we have a minimum of 2 stewards per celebration. Unfortunately we do not have the required 2 stewards for our 9am masses on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> May and have therefore had to cancel them.

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

**Covid Secure Reminder** - in order to retain our Covid safe environment status, please continue to follow the advice of our stewards. This is especially important when the stewards are seating you in the next available bench as you arrive at church. Thank you Fr. Grant.

### Year 8 Confirmation

This November, Bishop Thomas Williams will be visiting our area to confirm young people from Year 8. Letters for parents have been sent out through St Bede's and Maricourt. The deadline for registering for this year's program is the end of June and should anyone wishing to be confirmed should register their interest online. Copies of the letter are available in St Gregory's Church and at Our Lady's.

### Date for Your Diary

**Annual Outdoor Mass &  
Fr. Grant's Silver Jubilee Mass & Picnic  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July at 1pm in the Prayer Garden.**

I know, like myself, there are a number of people who would like to make a donation towards a gift for Fr. Grant. With this in mind, a just giving page has been set up which you can access via the link:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ged-gatenby?utm\\_id=1&utm\\_term=rbwK8gR5d](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ged-gatenby?utm_id=1&utm_term=rbwK8gR5d)

Alternatively you can pop an envelope through the presbytery door at St. Gregory's marked Silver Jubilee Gift. **Many thanks Maureen**

### Eucharistic Minister/Reader's Rotas

Thank you to those people who have contacted the parish office to put their names forward, but we are still in need of a more people in order to make the rotas viable. If you are willing to help, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

### Walsingham At Home

#### An Alternative Diocesan Pilgrimage

**The Archdiocesan President of the UCM** and the Committee have organised a Walsingham @ Home day, due to the fact that the annual Walsingham pilgrimage will not take place again, due to the pandemic. It will take place on Wednesday 19th May 2021 in our Prayer Garden. There will be Midday Mass, Marian Procession and Benediction. All are welcome

## **Parish of St. Catherine of Alexandria**

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**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

### **First reading: Acts 1:15-17,20-26**

One day Peter stood up to speak to the brothers – there were about a hundred and twenty persons in the congregation: ‘Brothers, the passage of scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, foretells the fate of Judas, who offered himself as a guide to the men who arrested Jesus – after having been one of our number and actually sharing this ministry of ours. Now in the Book of Psalms it says:

Let someone else take his office.

‘We must therefore choose someone who has been with us the whole time that the Lord Jesus was travelling round with us, someone who was with us right from the time when John was baptising until the day when he was taken up from us – and he can act with us as a witness to his resurrection.’

Having nominated two candidates, Joseph known as Barsabbas, whose surname was Justus, and Matthias, they prayed, ‘Lord, you can read everyone’s heart; show us therefore which of these two you have chosen to take over this ministry and apostolate, which Judas abandoned to go to his proper place.’ They then drew lots for them, and as the lot fell to Matthias, he was listed as one of the twelve apostles.

### **The Word of the Lord**

### **Responsorial Psalm 102(103):1-2,11-12,19-20**

*The Lord has set his sway in heaven.*

**Or Alleluia.**

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.

The Lord has set his sway in heaven  
and his kingdom is ruling over all.  
Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,  
mighty in power, fulfilling his word.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord;

I will come back to you,

and your hearts will be full of joy.

**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel: John 17:11-19**

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

‘Holy Father,

keep those you have given me true to your name,  
so that they may be one like us.

While I was with them, I kept those you had given me true to your name.

I have watched over them and not one is lost except the one who chose to be lost, and this was to fulfil the scriptures. But now I am coming to you and while still in the world I say these things to share my joy with them to the full. I passed your word on to them, and the world hated them, because they belong to the world no more than I belong to the world. I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth; your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth.’

**The Gospel of the Lord**

