

# Catholic Community in Cheltenham

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

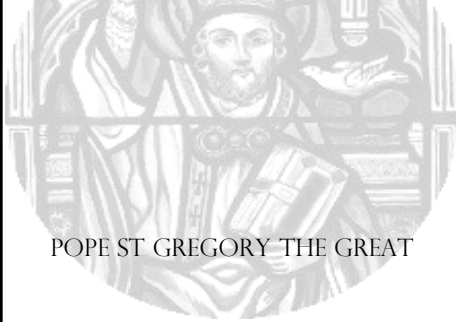
Psalter Week 4

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23rd July 2017

**Readings: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8: 26-27**  
**Gospel: 'Let them both grow till the harvest' (Matthew 13: 24-43)**

"THE ONLY TRUE RICHES ARE  
 THOSE THAT MAKE US RICH  
 IN VIRTUE"



POPE ST GREGORY THE GREAT

**St Gregory the Great** 10 St James Square, GL50 3PR ☎01242 523737

**St Thomas More** Princess Elizabeth Way, GL51 7RA ☎01242 573128

**Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday: 10.00am-1.00pm**

**Parish Priest:** Fr David Mills

**Assistant Priests:** Fr Frank Wainwright, Fr David McDonald

**Deacon:** Rev. Robin Littlewood

**Parish Websites:** www.stgregorys.org.uk, www.stthomasmorechurch.org.uk

**Email Address:** cheltenham.stgregorythegreat@parish.cliftondiocese.com

**Schools:** St Gregory's RC Primary School, St James Square GL50 3QG

St Thomas More RC Primary School, Lewis Road, Hesters Way GL51 OHZ

All Saints' Academy, Blaisdon Way, Cheltenham GL51 OWH

**Sacred Hearts** Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, GL53 9AU ☎01242 524932

**of Jesus and Mary**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Paul Brandon **Parish Website:** www.sacredhearts.org.uk

## Mass Times This Week

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### 23rd Sunday

5.00pm (Sat)	St Thomas More	Elish Duffy RIP
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Hearts	Sue Robinson RIP
8.15am	Sacred Hearts	Brenda Love RIP
9.30am	St Gregory	Intentions of Holtham Family
10.30am	Sacred Hearts	People of the Parish
11.15am	St Gregory	Dennis Sullivan RIP
6.00pm	St Gregory	People of the Parish

#### 24th Monday

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 9.30am St Gregory Pat & Mae Wallace RIP

#### 25th Tuesday

**Feast of Saint James, Apostle**  
 9.30am St Gregory Elish Duffy RIP  
 11.00am Sacred Hearts Requiem Mass for  
 Wilfred White RIP  
 11.30am St Gregory Funeral Service for  
 Keith Caudle RIP

#### 26th Wednesday

**Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne,  
 Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 9.30am St Gregory Special Intention  
 10.00am Sacred Hearts Robert Leopold RIP

#### 27th Thursday

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 9.30am St Gregory Holy Souls  
 10.00am Sacred Hearts Brenda Love RIP  
 2.00pm St Gregory Wedding of Roisin O'Reilly  
 & Daniel Williams  
 6.30pm St Thomas More In Thanksgiving for 2 Golden  
 Wedding Anniversaries

#### 28th Friday

**Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
 9.15am Sacred Hearts Collette Gates RIP  
 9.30am St Gregory Jesus Camarero RIP

#### 29th Saturday

**Memorial of Saint Martha**  
 9.30am St Gregory Sue Ball RIP  
 10.00am Sacred Hearts Private Intention

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Gregory's Saturdays 10.00am; St Thomas More 4.30-4.45pm. Sacred Hearts Thursdays 7.30pm and Saturdays 10.30am. Also by arrangement with the priests.

### Prayers for Vocations

St Gregory's: Saturdays 10-11.00am.

### Baptisms

By arrangement with the Parish Office.

### Cheltenham Young Catholic Adults

2nd Tuesday of the month, 8-9pm in the Old Priory. Contact Margaret 07515 805015 or Damian 07908 105787.

### Legion of Mary

Mondays at 5.30pm in the Old Priory Library. For info. ring Lucy Costelloe on 261441 or Mick Slevin on 513453.

### Bingo

Every Thursday evening at St Thomas More Hall; in support of STM Development Fund. Eyes down at 8pm!

### 55 Club

After 9.30am Mass, Old Priory (alternate Thursdays). Next meeting: 27th July "Gloucestershire Free Wheelers".

### Choir Practice

In Church, Fridays 7.00pm. New members welcome.

### Music Group Practice

In the Old Priory or at St Thomas More, every other Saturday, 10.00am. New members welcome. Contact John on 07403 697251.

### CRYING ROOM

Children are most welcome at every celebration of Holy Mass. During the 11.15am and 6:00 pm Masses on Sundays, the Old Priory, next to the Narthex (the area behind the glass doors at the back of the Church), is however available for parents whose young children become restless. These children must be supervised by their parents at all times. Alternatively the Narthex is available for parents to use during all Sunday Masses.

Dla zainteresowanych, godziny Mszy Świętej w języku Polskim są na stronie internetowej [www.pcmew.org/parafie/Gloucestera](http://www.pcmew.org/parafie/Gloucestera)  
**Facebook: Polska Parafia w Gloucester i Cheltenham. Ksiądz Dariusz Mazur 01452 528423/07957660269. Email: x.darek1976@gmail.com**

### Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,165.67 (STG); £257.35(STM); Kerala Community: £50 Bingo £140.00 (STM). Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

### Baptisms

Eric Wiacek was baptised last weekend at St Thomas More. We welcome him into the Church, and offer our love and prayers for Eric and his family.

### Request for Volunteers: Holy Communion

We need Extra Ordinary Ministers to take Holy Communion to Cheltenham General Hospital on a Sunday morning; if you are willing and free, please contact Fr Frank Wainwright. Thank you.

### Hospitals

The Hospital Chaplains have no way of checking if a particular person is in hospital. Therefore it is essential that individuals and families let either the parish or the chaplaincy know if somebody is in hospital and Fr Frank can then follow it up. To leave a message on the chaplaincy answer phone, call 0300 422 4286 for Cheltenham/0300 422 6200 for Gloucester, stating clearly the name of the Catholic patient and, if known, what ward they are on. If you know that you are going in to hospital, please ask one of the priests to give you the Sacrament of the Sick.

### St Gregory's & St Thomas More Sick List

If you know of a parishioner, who wishes to be put on the Parish Sick List, ensure they agree and then let the Parish Office know their name. Please note that the list is renewed every month, so that if the sick parishioner wishes to remain on the list, then the Parish Office needs to be informed each month. Thank you.

### RCIA Programme 2016/17

If you are thinking of being baptised/confirmed as an adult, or entering into full communion with the Catholic Church, please contact Fr David Mills via the Parish email: cheltenham.stgregorythegreat@parish.cliftondiocese.com

### Catholic Singles

Is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) to meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information please see poster, visit [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or telephone 0161 941 3498.

### Prinknash Abbey - Postponement

There will be NO Prayer Day, Retreat Day, Talks in JULY and AUGUST.

### Transport Request - Volunteer Required

We have received a request from the daughter of one of our parishioners, Rosemary Steele, who lives in Hatherley Road, Hatherley, and would appreciate a lift to the 9.30am Mass on Sundays. If you feel you could assist, please contact Alison direct (01427 891227) to organise.

### Vacancy - Old Priory

Thank you to Eileen Baldwin who has for many years quietly assisted with the running of the Old Priory as Housekeeper. We are now looking for a replacement for this voluntary position. Her role was to oversee the cleanliness, and the ordering of household products. If interested, contact Fr David Mills in the Presbytery.

### School Holidays

We would like to wish the staff, pupils and all those who are involved in our schools, a very happy, restful and safe summer holiday.

### Elephant Moon Day Nursery Parking

The owners have very kindly agreed that parishioners can park in the Elephant Moon Nursery's car park on **Sundays** between 9.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. for the **sole purpose of attending Mass at St Gregory's Church**. Please **do not** park there at any other time or for any other purpose. Please do not leave your car in the car park and go to town or go out for coffee etc. It would also be appreciated that if you park there for the 9.30 a.m. Mass that you vacate the car park **immediately** after Mass so that other parishioners attending the 11.15 a.m. Mass can also make use of this generous concession on the part of the owners of the nursery. Thank you for your co-operation.

### 55 Club

At our next meeting on the 27th July, Mr Warwick of The Gloucestershire Free Wheelers (GFW), a group of volunteer motor bike riders, will tell the story of their emergency, out of hours medical work which they carry out all around Gloucestershire and beyond. The meeting commences at 10.00am-12noon, and he will explain how they are called upon to dispatch a variety of medical needs, quickly in emergency situations, and at no cost to the NHS. Everyone is welcome to the event, and non-members are requested to make a donation to this worthy charity.

### Lourdes Pilgrimage / Holiday 14<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> September

If any parishioners are interested in finding out more about going on this trip as a guest needing assistance or as a helper, please come to a meeting at St Thomas More on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 7.00pm. Call 07393 867572 if you need a lift.

### Diocesan Youth Ministry Pilgrimage to Lourdes

If you are a young person aged 16+ in August, come and join the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes as a young helper, serving and accompanying the pilgrimage between 7th-25th August 2017. Cost £490pp with funding support available For more details and to register your place visit [www.cliftondiocese.com/youth-ministry](http://www.cliftondiocese.com/youth-ministry).

### New to the Parish? Parish Records Update

If you are new to the parish or have moved within the parish, please let the parish office know, enabling us to keep our records up to date. There are some yellow registration forms available at the back of the Church.

### APF Red Boxes

The latest count yielded £370.97 for St Gregory's, and £162.25 for St Thomas More. Thank you to all contributors.

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### Our Prayers are asked for:-

**Sick:** Claire Young, Helen and Lawrence Gorry, Christopher Browne, Baby Ezra Cooper, Barbara Sims, Rey Lluisma, Helen Stanbury, Mary Costello, Lisa Partridge, Dan Perry, Patricia Hamilton, Teresa Deneher, Pauline Butler, Cecilia McKenna, Pat Murphy, Maria Brown.

**Deceased:** Kathleen Jemetta RIP.

**Anniversaries:** Johanna Gallagher, Brenda Earley, Fay Nicholson, Mae Wallace, Jim Moriarty, Denis Doyle, Pauline Humpsten, Ann O'Connell.