

# Catholic Community in Cheltenham

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

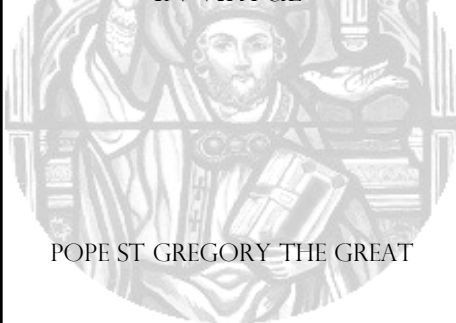
Psalter 1

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24th September 2017

**Readings: Isaiah 55: 6-9; Philippians 1:20-24, 27**  
**Gospel: Why be envious because I am generous? (Matthew 20: 1-16)**

"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 Mark Moran **Parish Website:** www.sacredhearts.org.uk

## Mass Times This Week

### 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time,

*Day of Thanksgiving for the Harvest, the Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent use of Creation*

#### 24th Sunday

5.00pm (Sat)	St Thomas More	George Cullen RIP
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Hearts	Jack Costelloe RIP
8.15am	Sacred Hearts	People of the Parish
9.30am	St Gregory	Brigid Fiorentini RIP
10.30am	Sacred Hearts	Baby Angel O'Flynn RIP
11.15am	St Gregory	Nettie B. Caravana RIP
6.00pm	St Gregory	People of the Parish

#### 25th Monday

#### Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Holy Souls
9.30am	St Gregory	Joseph Sheen RIP

#### 26th Tuesday

#### Weekday in Ordinary Time

9.30am	St Gregory	Private Intention
7.00pm	Sacred Hearts	Mary Hughes RIP

#### 27th Wednesday

#### Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Intention of Eileen & Lous Hannett
9.30am	St Gregory	Peggy & Norman Chapman RIP

#### 28th Thursday

#### Weekday in Ordinary Time

**NO 9.30AM MASS TODAY AT ST GREGORY**

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Fr Basil Postlethwaite RIP
6.30pm	St Thomas More	Holy Souls

#### 29th Friday

#### Feasts of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

9.15am	Sacred Hearts	Catherine Packer RIP
9.30am	St Gregory	Patrick & Julia Wallace RIP

#### 30th Saturday

#### Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9.30am	St Gregory	John Burge RIP
10.00am	Sacred Hearts	Fr Mark's Family

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**St Gregory's** Saturdays 10.00

**St Thomas More** 4.30-4.45pm.

**Sacred Hearts** Tuesdays 7.30pm (after Evening Mass) and Saturdays 9.15-9.45am

#### Prayers for Vocations

St Gregory's: Saturdays 10-11.00am.

#### Baptisms

By arrangement with the Parish Office.

#### Cheltenham Young Catholic Adults

Meet the **3rd Saturday** of the month: **6-8pm** in the Old Priory. Contact Margaret 07515 805015 or Damian 07908 105787.

#### Legion of Mary

Mondays at 5.00-6pm 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: 5th October: "Discovering a Family Tree".

#### Choir Practice

In Church, Fridays 6.30pm. New members welcome.

#### Music Group Practice

In the Old Priory or at St Thomas More, every other Saturday, 10.00am. New members welcome.

#### 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/Gloucester](http://www.pcmew.org/parafie/Gloucester) Facebook: Polska Parafia w Gloucester i Cheltenham. Ksiądz Dariusz Mazur 01452 528423/07957660269. Email: [x.darek1976@gmail.com](mailto:x.darek1976@gmail.com)**

### Finance

Last week's offertory collection came to £1,241.31 (STG); £288.83 (STM); Bingo £215.00 (STM). Last week's collection for Home Mission Sunday raised £405.21 (SG) & £92.76 (STM). Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

### 2018 Confirmation Programme (Application Form)

*Bishop Declan will be conferring the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at 11.00am for our young people, aged 14 to 16 years old. In future it is hoped that there will be one conferral of Confirmation and one programme each year in Cheltenham. This will alternate between St Gregory's Parish and Sacred Hearts Parish. Each programme will be open to all young people in the town. If you wish to join the preparation programme, which starts early in the New Year, please collect your application form from St Gregory's parish office (10am-1pm), which should be returned to the presbytery, attention Fr David Mills, Parish Priest, as soon as possibly, but certainly no later than 24th November 2017. If you were not baptised at either St Gregory's or St Thomas More's churches, you will need to supply either an original or a copy of your baptism certificate. If you are unable to include this certificate with your application, it can be handed in when the course begins. Original copies of baptism certificates will be returned to you as soon as they have been processed.*

### Deanery Day of Recollection

**Saturday 30th September** in Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, will lead a day of recollection for all those involved in the Ministry of Reader and the Ministry of Distributing Holy Communion. The speaker is John Huntriss and the theme this year is "Jesus Christ, True God and True Man". The day will begin with Mass at 10.00 am in the Church and will finish at 3.00 pm. Please bring a packed lunch.

### St Thomas More Wine Tasting Evening

Thank you to everyone who came and supported this evening, hosted by Patrick Crossan our parishioner, together with Wojciech, Katarzyna and Mateusz for sponsoring this event. A grand total of £874 was raised for the STM Development Fund.

### Fish and Chip Supper & Quiz

Friday 3rd November at 7.30pm in St Thomas More Hall. A Fish & Chip supper and quiz for £7.50. Tickets on sale after STM Mass or from Helen on 01242 582394.

### First Holy Communion 2018 Programme

*We would like to invite the parents of children wishing to make their First Confession and First Holy Communion in 2018 to an introductory meeting on **Monday, 25th September at 6.00pm** in St Gregory's school. All children in school year 3 and above are invited to join this programme, which will start on Saturday 30th September. For further information please contact Jane Andrews [jane@stcassians.co.uk](mailto:jane@stcassians.co.uk)*

### 55 Club

The mystery of untangling a Family Tree will be explained at our next meeting on the 5th October. Mr Halliday will present his talk commencing at 10am-12noon, and he will guide us through the process of researching into a Family Tree. Everyone is welcome.

### St Peter's Catholic High School

#### Sixth Form Centre Open Week

Our **Open Days** run from **Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October to Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> October** when you are welcome to come and see the school in operation. Tours of the school on these days commence at 10.30am-1.50 pm. The Principal will speak to parents after their tour, at 11.00am and 2.20pm. **Open Evening** will be held on **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> October** from 6.30pm until 8.30 pm. The Principal will address parents at 6.45pm and 8.00pm (you may choose which time to attend). We very much hope you will be able to visit the school on one of these occasions.

### Newman Association

There will be a talk on **Tuesday 3 October, 7.30 pm**, in the lounge of Sacred Hearts Hall, Moorend Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham. **Anne Harriss** will speak on **Mary and the Prophets**. All welcome. Admission: £3 for Visitors, students free. Enquires to Stephanie Jamison on 01242 539810.

### Car Parking

Parishioners are reminded **not to park illegally** on double yellow lines, and not to block adjacent driveways of our neighbours. Please use due care and attention at all times.

### Fr Alphege's Funeral

This funeral will be celebrated by Fr Abbot Francis at Nazareth House, Cheltenham on Monday, 25th September at 10.00am. Anyone who wishes to attend should please inform Fr Mark Hargreaves at Prinknash.

### 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, Maddie Read, Una Stokes, David Blake.

**Deceased:** Fr Basil Postlethwaite, Fr Alphege Stebgens O.S.B. and Bernard Partridge RIP.

**Anniversaries:** May Henley, John Ryan, Patrick Lee, Margaret Marsh, James Gattrell, Guido Debonis, Noel Bermingham, Betty Chitechy