

5. GREGORY THE GREAT

# St Gregory The Great

10 St James Square, Cheltenham GL50 3PR Clifton Diocese Registered Charity No. 1170168

### Parish Priest: Fr David Mills

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT Psalter 4

Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Laetare Sunday</i> Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30am Jack & Marjorie Castleton RIP 11.15am Tony & Brenda Thorn (60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary) 6.00pm Khalid & Madelaine Ayar RIP No 9.30am MASS	The Word – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENTFirst Reading (Joshua 5: 9-12)The People of God keep the Passover on their entry into the promised land.Responsorial PsalmTaste and see the Lord is good.Second Reading (2 Corinthians 5: 17-21)God reconciled us to himself through Christ.Gospel (Luke 15:1-3,11-32)Your brother here was dead and has come to life.
Weekday of Lent <b>Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b> Weekday of Lent	11.30amRequiem forChristopher Costelloe RIPNo 9.30am MASS11.15amRequiem for	
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> March Weekday of Lent	Dr Michael Gompertz RIP 9.30AM Eugene Pansacala RIP 6-6.45pm Prayers for Ukraine	<u>Confessions</u> Saturday Mornings: 10-10.30am <u>Baptisms &amp; Weddings</u> Arrangements with Father David Mills via the Parish Secretary
<b>Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b> Weekday of Lent	9.30am Frank Hill RIP 11.00am Funeral Service for Lesley Anne Hopewell RIP	St Thomas More Catholic Church Address: Princess Elizabeth Way, Cheltenham, GL51 7RA
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> APRIL Weekday of Lent Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April Weekday of Lent	9.30amJohn & Peter Griffiths RIP9.30amDeceased Members of the	Priest: Fr Joby Lukose   Telephone: 01684 293273   Email: tewkesbury.stjoseph@cliftondiocese.com   Parish Website: www.saintthomasmorecheltenham.org.uk
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Costelloe Family 9.30am Bill & Kitty Cody RIP 11.15am Angela Byrne RIP 6.00pm People of the Parish	<u>Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary</u> <u>Address</u> : Moorend Rd, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham, GL53 9AU <u>Parish Priest</u> : Fr Mark Moran <u>Telephone</u> : 01242 524932 <u>Email</u> : cheltenham.sacredhearts@cliftondiocese.com <u>Parish Website</u> : www.sacredhearts.org.uk

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#### Priestly Ordination of Joseph Meigh

Bishop Declan has confirmed that Joseph Meigh's ordination as a priest will take place during Mass at Clifton Cathedral on Saturday 9th July, at 11am. Joseph grew up in this parish, and extends a heartfelt invitation to anybody who would like to come. He will also be offering the Masses at St Gregory's on the following morning, Sunday 10th July. Please keep him in your prayers during these final weeks of preparation.

#### Offertory Envelopes

The Gift Aid and Non-Gift Aid Offertory Envelopes for 2022/2023 are available for collection from the table at the back of Church. Please take your box home with you and use them from **Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> April 2022**. Thank you.

#### **Prayers for Ukraine**

The Church will be open on Wednesday evenings between 6-6.45pm during Lent, for prayers for the situation in Ukraine and the refugee crisis.

#### UKRAINE

#### The Chief Rabbi of Ukraine has asked for Christians to recite Psalm 31 aloud.

Psalm 31 21-24; 21 Praise be to the Lord, for he showed me the wonders of his love when I was in a city under siege. 22 In my alarm I said, "I am cut off from your sight!" Yet you heard my cry for mercy when I called to you for help. 23 Love the Lord, all his faithful people! The Lord preserves those who are true to him, but the proud he repays in full. 24 Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord.

#### Ukraine

Thank you for all those who have donated so generously towards helping those fleeing the Ukraine during this dreadful and unjust invasion. Due to accounting issues with claiming tax back, please use the **white ad hoc envelopes** which have been marked <u>Ukraine</u>, rather the parish projects envelope. The parish will then claim the tax back and add the rough equivalent of this to the donation sent to Aid to the Church in Need. If this is done as a parish donation, we can get the tax back and further help the refugees, otherwise we can't collect tax back on behalf of another charity. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

#### Laudato Si' – On Care for Our Common Home

The second in the series of six explanatory talks by Jason Charewicz, Clifton Diocese Caritas and Environmental Officer, on Pope Francis' encyclical letter of 2015, takes place at St Thomas More's Hall, Princess Elizabeth Way GL51 7RA (and also online via Teams) on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm. (In the Hall, tea and home-made biscuits available from 6.30, plus copies of the encyclical to purchase): to book in and get the link, email <u>adult.education@cliftondiocese.com</u>.

#### About Today's Music (at 11.15 am)

'Pater peccavi' (Father, I have sinned) were the words the younger ('prodigal') son sputtered out upon his return to his father's house, and during the Renaissance these words became a very popular text for Lenten music; there are at least a couple dozen settings, including that of Andrea Gabrieli (c 1532-1585), which we hear during Communion today. Andrea Gabrieli was eclipsed in fame by his nephew Giovanni, but the elder Andrea was a very significant musician in his own right, and taught most of the next generation of European composers. After composing the motet, he developed its musical themes into a setting of the ordinary of the mass, which we also hear this morning.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Deceased: Lesley Anne Hopewell RIP.

Anniversaries: George Wainwright, Barbara Williams, Julia Walsh, Monica Moore, Eileen Browning, Terence White, John Morgan, Joan Hawtin, Josefina Vitalicio, Pope John Paul II.

## A prayer for Ukraine

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen