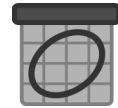


St Gregory's Bulletin

'Rebuild my Church Rebuild the Community'

Mass intentions: Fr Martin will be saying mass each day for our intentions. Please phone or text a message leaving your mass intentions to Fr Martin on 07754 057074



Saturday 06 May	6pm	People of The Parish
Sunday 07 May <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	8:30am	John, Christine & Michelle Gay (N Howle)
	10:30am	Elizabeth Vernon RIP (Anniv) (J Biggar)
Monday 08 May	10am	John Biggar RIP (J Coward)
Tuesday 09 May <i>Day of Special Prayer for the Survivors of Sexual Abuse</i>	10am	Repose of the Soul of John Biggar (Joseph & Wendy Clarke)
Wednesday 10 May <i>St John de Avila</i>	No Mass	
Thursday 11 May	10am	
Friday 12 May <i>St Pancras</i>	12 Noon	John Biggar RIP (Liz Murphy)
Saturday 13 May <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	6pm	Martin Fitzgerald & Family (Maria Rhodes)
Sunday 14 May <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	James & Maria Bamford RIP

May

Sat 06 Feast of St Dominic Savio/
Coronation of King Charles III

Fri 12 St Gregory's Youth Group at
Savio (note Change of Date)

Sun 14 St Gregory's Celebration of
St Dominic Savio's Feast at Savio
House

Thu 18 The Ascension of The Lord
(Holyday of Obligation).
Talk by Fr Michael Winstanley SDB

Wed 24 Feast of Mary Help of
Christians- Principal Patron of the
Diocese

Sun 28 Pentecost Sunday

June

Sun 11 First Holy Communion at
10.30am Mass

Fri 16 St Gregory's Youth Group at
Savio House

Sun 25 Confirmation "Sending forth"
at 10.30 Mass

Fri 30 Confirmation at St Alban's
Church Macclesfield

Pastoral Visitation of Bishop Mark Davies to St Gregory's

Thank you for all the effort to welcome Bishop Mark on his Pastoral Visitation to St Gregory's last week; to our cleaners, flower arrangers, Paul and the choir, Alistair and the grave team, Liz, and all of you for being 'on your best behaviour'! Bishop Mark seemed relaxed and was very encouraging and friendly to everyone and really enjoyed his visit.

Sunday 14th May: St Gregory's Celebration of St Dominic Savio's Feast at Savio House

You are invited to Savio House on the afternoon of Sunday 14th May: 2.30 – 5pm, to celebrate the Feast of Dominic Savio with the community. There will be tea and cakes, games for the children and the chance to relax together. All are welcome!

Please sign on the list at the back of church if you are able to join us; just to help with planning and catering.

Parish News



Reflection:

In this week's Gospel, Jesus begins to prepare the apostles for his Ascension which we will celebrate on Thursday 18th; Jesus will return to the Father, his mission on earth accomplished and the apostles and disciples will be left to carry on the mission of Jesus.

There are 2 elements in the Gospel for reflection:

Jesus is the way to the Father and declares himself as, 'The way, the Truth and the Life'. What do we understand by that statement? Do we really believe it?

The second is the emphasis that Jesus and the Father are one; united, inseparable, in communion. It takes us to the heart of the doctrine of the Trinity; three persons – one God, united in love. What do we understand by that statement? Do we really believe it?

Save Your Stamps

There is a plastic wallet on the notice board at the back of church for used stamps which we are collecting to support The One Project in Macclesfield.

This community group aims to promote sustainable living and runs three stalls on the indoor market to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill:

- A stall collecting items for recycling that are not included in the council 'grey' bin recycling scheme, such as medicine blister packs, crisp/biscuit/sweet packaging, coffee bags, old toothbrushes and much more
- A 'swap shop' for clothing and household items
- A 'garden shed' stocked with a range of DIY items to borrow or use for a small donation.

The group also manages a number of urban gardening schemes in the town and organises regular litter picks, including after the monthly Treacle Market. For more information or to find out how to get involved, do take a look at their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/One-Project-Macclesfield>

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Spiritual Reading:

The Faith Development Group have established a small 'Spiritual Reading Library' at St Gregory's. Books can be found on the top shelf at the back of church, just above the books and resources for children. Please enter your name and the book details into the black book on the shelf and return the book for others' use when you are finished reading it.

Coronation of King Charles III

This weekend we join the country to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III; the first coronation most of us will have witnessed in our lifetime!

Mass will be celebrated for the King on Friday 5th and a prayer of intercession for the King will be included at the weekend Masses.