



OUR LADY OF GRACE PRESTWICH

‘Stay with us, Lord, on our journey’

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32nd SUNDAY ‘OF THE YEAR’ 12 NOVEMBER 2017

HOLY MASS THIS WEEK

SUNDAY First Mass of Sunday is 7pm Saturday. Sunday morning 9.00 & 11.00 am

MONDAY 9.15 am

TUESDAY 12 noon

WEDNESDAY 12 noon

THURSDAY 12 noon

FRIDAY 9.15 am

SATURDAY **3.00 pm**

Funeral Mass for Eileen English

(St Albert the Great)

(St Margaret of Scotland/St Gertrude/St Edmund)

(St Elizabeth of Hungary/St Hilda/St Hugh of Lincoln) with
children from Our Lady of Grace school

Queen of Peace Day:

Morning Confessions & Exposition **as usual**

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY 11.30 am-12.30 pm 6.00-6.45 pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Saturday 11.30 am-12.30 pm

DEANERY CIRCLE OF PRAYER Nazareth House & retired priests in the deanery

Collection last Sunday £1247.16. All Saints £546.80.

There are currently some 60 retired priests of the Diocese of Salford. They have generously given their lives in ministry and service in the pastoral care of our people. Now we must be sure to provide for their comfort and well-being in retirement. Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the **Retired Priests Fund**. Please be as generous as you are able in your contribution to their care.

NEWSLETTER

Parish

Christmas Fair

The Fair will be held on **Saturday 2 December**. Doors open at 12 noon. This week, houses in the parish should receive a letter of invitation plus the 2018 Year Book and a book of raffle

tickets. We rely on your goodness to deliver these. Parcels for each of the 60 districts are ready in the sacristy. If you don't live in the parish please pick up your letter, Year Book and raffle tickets from the piety stall. Goods for the Fair will be gladly welcomed and

may be left at the presbytery.

Bishop's Visit

Bishop John Arnold's visit to our Primary School to bless and officially open the new Foundation Unit passed off very successfully on Wednesday last. The beautiful sunshine helped

and it was a day to remember.

The Prayer Group will meet on Monday 13 November 7.00-8.00 pm at 1B St Margaret's Road, Prestwich. All are welcome.

Remembrance Concert in the Parish Hall

Saturday 18 November from 7.30 pm. This Stacksteads Brass Band concert includes tributes to Gracie Fields and Vera Lynn and is in aid of the RBL Poppy Appeal and Cornerstones Homeless Charity in Manchester. Tickets £11 include a two-course hot supper, tea/coffee and song sheet. Call Terry on 07484 662807.

Sacramental Programme

Please note the date of the meeting for parents. It is **Wednesday 22 November** in Our Lady of Grace Primary School at 6.30 pm. This meeting is for parents of **all** children entered for the programme this year, including those of children attending other schools.

International Mass

Our annual International Mass will be at 11 o'clock on **Sunday 26 November**, the solemnity of Christ the King. If you would like to take part by reading or joining the offertory procession or providing national food at the party afterwards in the parish hall, please let Fr Allen know. Thank you.

PS re the Christmas Fair

If you would like to donate a raffle prize, please refer to the list by the choir stairs.

200 Club October Winners
£80 345 Mrs M Bates

Agent Mrs E Harrington
£40 42 Mrs H Porterfield
Agent Mrs M Makin
£20 70 Lupus UK
Agent Mrs M O'Rourke

Memorial Service

This is an annual service of remembrance of Our Lady of Grace and Our Lady of Dolours and other local churches with Paul Williams Funeral Directors. The service starts at 7 pm this **Thursday 16 November here at Our Lady of Grace church** and is open to all. It is a very popular service, especially with people who have recently lost someone from their family or friends. 'Melodico', one of the Northwest's leading vocal ensembles, will also take part.

Deanery/Diocese

An Invitation to Wardley Hall

What can a penniless foreign widow, an elderly barren woman and a young Virgin mother tell us today about welcoming Jesus, God-with-us?

Join us at **Wardley Hall** for our Advent series:

Dates:

1st December: Ruth, Naomi and Boaz: Promise Foretold
8th December: Zechariah, Elizabeth and John the Baptist:

Promise Foreshadowed
15th December: Mary, Joseph and Jesus:
Promised Fulfilled

Time: 10:30 – 12:30 (Tea and coffee provided)

Venue: Wardley Hall, Worsley M28 2ND

Format: Prayer and Lectio Divina; reflection on Scripture passages and their

relevance for today; discussion.

Presenters: Sister Joan Kerley, FMSJ and Maria Kidd

For more information contact: Marie Sartini, Bishop's PA; 0161 794 2825
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Red Wednesday

This is a request from **Aid to the Church in Need** that we stand in solidarity with persecuted Christians and all who suffer for their peacefully held beliefs. The highlight comes on **Wednesday 22 November** when we are urged to wear an item of clothing with the colour red.

World Gifts

CAFOD have sent a number of catalogues showing imaginative ways to share Christmas with those far poorer than ourselves. Please pick up a copy from the back of church.

'Teachings on the Eucharist'

On Wednesday last, Pope Francis began a new series of talks at his weekly Wednesday audience. He called the new series 'Teachings on the Eucharist'. If his first talk is anything to go by, this is a series not to be missed. The media seized on only one point he made, namely about the taking of photographs during Mass.

You can access these talks by either the Vatican website or Zenit:

www.vatican.va and click on
'audiences'
www.zenit.org and look out
for their Wednesday
newsletter