



Our Lady of Grace

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TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11th October 2026

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday 11th October

Holy Mass
9.00am & 11.00am
Children's Liturgy
9.00 – 9.30am
Baptism 12.30
Rory McMahon

Monday 12th October

12 noon – Holy Mass

Tuesday 13th October

12 noon - Holy Mass

Wednesday 14th October

6.30pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 15th October

12 noon - Holy Mass

Friday 16th October

12 noon - Holy Mass

Saturday 17th October

11.00am - Holy Mass

Followed by Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament until
12.30pm

11.30am - 12.30pm

Confessions

11.30 – 12.30pm

4.00 – 4.40pm

Sunday Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 18th October

WORLD MISSION
SUNDAY

9am & 11am – Holy Mass

From the Parish Priest.....

Last Wednesday we celebrated the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. At the conclusion of his general audience on that day, Pope Leo XIV highlighted the importance of praying the Rosary.

“Today’s liturgical memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Rosary gives me the opportunity to recall the importance of the Holy Rosary, a Marian prayer so dear to the Church’s tradition,” Pope Leo said to pilgrims gathered in St. Peter’s Square. “I invite you to recite it to experience the comfort of our heavenly Mother, a safe refuge in the midst of life’s difficulties.”

We remember that from the cross, our Saviour gave His mother to be mother of the Church and our own mother too. Our relationship with her is a gift from God. As Pope Leo reminds us, she is our refuge and help along life’s journey. She intercedes for us in the presence of the Blessed Trinity and always calls us to her son our saviour.

In praying the Rosary and meditating on the life, death and resurrection of Christ, we renew and commit ourselves to living our Christian calling as God invites us to live it out. In the Hail Mary we recall Gabriel’s invitation to Mary and her total ‘Yes’ to God’s plan for her and all humankind. We are to unite ourselves with Mary’s yes as we too seek to say our own yes to God each day of our lives.

Pope Leo reminds us that Our Blessed Mother is our refuge and in her loving embrace we feel the Grace that she asks God to send on us in our need. If you are feeling the challenges of life or are experiencing hardship or doubts in your faith-go to Our Blessed Mother. She will comfort you and draw you closer to our saviour. Our Blessed Mother is the most powerful intercessor and is a gentle guide. The first fruit of the Resurrection. We give thanks to God for such a gift, especially as patroness of our Parish and church.

God Bless. **Fr Gerard**

Prayer intentions for the sick: All our sick parishioners and others known to us including, Lisa Gooddy, Barbara Murphy, Christine Rogers, Bernadette Flynn, Kerry Hamer, Pat Flynn, Bernard Derkin, Michael Murphy, Anne Kenny, Dale Broom, Eric Greatorex, Bill Kennelly, Vicky Manock and Brian Evans.

May Our Lady of Lourdes, intercede for their speedy recovery.

Prayer intentions for those who have recently died:

Margaret Mullins, Mark Silcock, Kirsty Brown, Kevin McDermott, Beth Kildare and ugh McGillevray.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord.

Special Intention: A sick person.

Dates for your Diary

Our church is cleaned by a wonderful group of volunteers every other Friday throughout the year. Their hard work makes a big difference. In preparation for Advent and Christmastide we are going to have a **Church Deep Clean meeting on Sunday 22nd November from 2 pm until 6pm**. Refreshments and cleaning materials will be provided-you bring the elbow grease! Young and old all welcome!

Parish Social - Saturday 14th November 6-9pm

After the Saturday evening Mass on 14th November there will be a parish social in the hall. An opportunity to meet, socialize and sample some Pizza!

Book Club

The book club next meets on Monday 12th October at 200pm in the Cottage. We will be sharing poems by Carol Ann Duffy. New members are always welcome; details from Vin Allerton on 07305 727900.

Do You Have A Child For Baptism?

The next meetings for those families who wish to have their children baptised in Our Lady of Grace parish over the coming months will be today in the church hall, Sunday, November 1st, 10.00 – 10.30am.

Churches Together in Prestwich

This weekend Churches Together members are praying for St George's Church, Simister and the Revd. Canon Steve Williams.

RCIA Programme

The programme for people interested in joining the Church is now underway. If you would like to join the RCIA course, please contact Nigel Humphreys on 07985437875. All welcome!

CAFOD Harvest Fast

Many thanks to those who have already returned their gift envelopes. You can put your gift envelope into the offertory collection any time this month – or give online at cafod.org.uk/envelope. There are spare envelopes near the church doors, if you haven't already had one.

Prisoners' Sunday 11th October 2026

Prisoners' Sunday is the national Catholic day of prayer and action for prisoners and their families. Please see poster at the back of church for further details.

Friendship Group

The next meeting is on Wednesday 14th October, 12.30 – 3.00pm in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for refreshments, conversation, a quiz, raffle and bingo. All welcome.

Our Lady of Grace RC Primary School Early Years Open Evening

Our Lady of Grace RC Primary School warmly invites parents of prospective pupils (Nursery & Reception) to our upcoming Open Day on Thursday 15th October from 5pm to 6pm. Come and experience our vibrant learning community firsthand, tour our purpose-built Early Years Centre, Wrap Around Care facilities and meet our dedicated staff. We take pride in offering a supportive, faith-centred environment where academic excellence and personal growth go hand in hand. We would love to show you what makes our school family so special. Refreshments will be provided. For further details, please contact the school office TEL: 01617967254 EMAIL: olog@bury.gov.uk We look forward to seeing you there! Everybody is Welcome All Belong.

Parish Library

Please remember we have this great resource with many books available. The library is open after Mass each Sunday in the Parish Hall building.

Children's Liturgy

This Sunday we have our monthly children's liturgy at the 9 am Mass. We are planning to have the children's liturgy at every 9am Mass on Sunday in the future. As we make plans, if you would like to join the organisation team please let Fr Gerard know. There is a safe recruitment process with enhanced DBS check for this role. More information will follow.

Altar Servers

If you have a youngster who would like to join the Altar Serving team, please let Fr Gerard know. We will be having a meeting for interested boys and girls soon. It is great for our youngsters to help with the liturgy, please encourage them to think about joining us.

Our Homebound and Sick

Many thanks to our Eucharistic Ministers who have started to take Holy Communion to our homebound and sick parishioners. If you know of anyone to be added to the list please let Fr Gerard know.

Last Week's Collection

Collection in Church £519.40

Gift Aid Envelopes £498.00

Standing Order Donations £623.00

Please consider making your offering by standing order-gift aid, as the parish benefits even more from your generosity. For further information, contact Vin Allerton by phone (0161 773 3318), text (07305 727900) or email (vinallerton@gmail.com)

Many thanks to you all for your generous support of the parish.