



# Our Lady of Grace

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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEA SUNDAY**

**12<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July

9.00am & 11.00am Holy Mass

### 12.30pm Baptism

Matilda Mary O'Halloran

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July

12 noon - Holy Mass

### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

12 noon - Holy Mass

### Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July

12 noon - Holy Mass

### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July

### OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

12 noon – Eucharistic Service

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

### 9.30 OLOG LEAVERS MASS

12 noon – Requiem Mass

### Mr Frank Ruddle RIP

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July

11.00am - Holy Mass

Followed by Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament until 12.30pm

11.30am - 12.30pm

Confessions

11.30am – 12.30pm

4.00pm -4.40pm

Sunday Vigil Mass – 5.00pm

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July

### Sixteenth Sunday Ord Time

9am & 11am - Holy Mass

### 12.30 Baptism

Theodore Matthew Owens-Lentini



## From the Parish Priest.....

Last week we had a training meeting for Eucharistic Ministers who are able to visit our housebound and sick parishioners-I am very grateful to them for their generous service. Please let me know if you or anyone you know would like to receive Holy Communion. The plan is to have Holy Communion taken to the sick and housebound after the Sunday morning masses. This is to help our parishioners who can't be physically present at mass to feel connected and part of the Sunday celebration and parish family. We can also arrange for other times if Sunday isn't convenient.

I have been asked to consider having an evening mass during the week so that people at work and others may be able to attend. I think this is a great idea and would like to suggest that we do this at 7pm on the Wednesday of each week. This evening mass will be instead of the 12-noon mass. Let me know if you have any thoughts about this suggestion. Start date to be announced.

We are blessed to have children and infants present for the weekend masses. It is always a joy to see and hear them. I know there are times when they may need a break from the Church and so I am planning to make the hall available during mass for parents and children to have a space for a quick break. I am having a TV screen put into the hall so that the livestream of the mass can be viewed from there. This will also help the Children's liturgy coordinators to follow the mass. Let me know if there is anything more, I can do to encourage families to feel welcomed and supported at the weekend masses.

Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> July is the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, our diocesan Patron. The new altar in the Cathedral will be consecrated at 12 noon on this day so there will be a Eucharistic Service here as I will be representing the parish at the Cathedral. If you can, call into the Cathedral, you will be amazed at its restored beauty! God Bless **Fr Gerard**

## Prayer intentions for the sick & other petitions:

All our sick parishioners and others known to us including, Lisa Goody, Mary Kavanagh, Christine Rogers, Bernadette Flynn, Kerry Hamer, Barbara Murphy, Eric Greatorex, Anna, David, Sue Richardson and Maureen Makin. *May Our Lady of Lourdes, intercede for their speedy recovery.*

## Prayer intentions for those who have recently died:

Helen Mukherjee, Ellen Tolan, Dolores Cain, Bill Davitt, Isabella Gray and Frank Ruddle. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*

## We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Violet Green, Jim Arnold, Nellie & Paddy Heneghan and John Higgins. *Eternal rest grant to them O Lord.*

**Mass Intentions:** Recovery from illness.

### **School Mass**

We invite the parish community to join us on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30am, for our Leavers Mass, as we gather to give thanks and pray for the pupils as they prepare to leave our school.

### **Book Club**

The next meeting is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm in the Cottage. We will be discussing "Shadowstory" by Janette Johnston. The full programme for 2026 is listed on the noticeboard outside church. Further details from Vin Allerton, on 07305727900.

### **Prayer Group**

The Prayer Group will meet in the cottage on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 7.00pm. Newcomers welcome.

### **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 in the church hall on **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August between 10.00 and 10.30am.**

We have had 4 children baptised in April to June and have another 7 children booked in for baptisms in July to September. What a blessing they are to their families and our parish. Please keep them in your prayers.

### **Side Altar Votive Candles**

If you would like the candle to burn for an intention of yours, please write the intention on an envelope, include an offering and place this through the presbytery door.

### **Churches Together in Prestwich**

This weekend Churches Together members have been asked to pray for The Vision and Mission of Churches Together in Prestwich and Kersal.

### **Homebound Parish Members**

If you are aware of any members of the parish who would appreciate a visit from Fr Gerard and our Eucharistic Ministers, please ask their permission to give him their contact details, name, address and phone number. We will be starting home visits from Eucharistic ministers soon-thanks to them.

### **Anniversary/Memorial Flowers**

If you would like to sponsor the church flowers in memory of a departed loved one or to celebrate an occasion, you are most welcome to do so. It cost around £50 per weekend for the church flowers.

### **Parish Volunteers**

Many thanks to the team of cleaners who do such a great job in the church. Thanks too, to all our other volunteers-choir, altar servers, piety stall, hymn books and collection helpers, church linens, flower team, baptism team, hospitality team and sacristan. If you can help in any way, please let Fr Gerard know.

### **Calling Volunteer Painters!**

The metal gates and railings around the presbytery and church are in need of a fresh lick of paint. If you are able to join a 'painting social' to help Fr Gerard Please let him know. We will gather at **2pm on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August.** Paint and brushes will be provided, so too fabulous refreshments! All welcome.

### **200 Club**

June winning numbers are: **173** and **156.** We are planning to continue the 200 Club from September 2026. The cost is £36 for the year with monthly draws and two extra bonus wins of £100. More information will follow in the next few weeks.

### **92<sup>nd</sup> Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

Fr Gerard is happy to take your petitions and mass intentions to the Grotto in Lourdes. Prayer intentions can be written and put in a sealed envelope which will be placed at the Grotto on your behalf-do not put donations in this envelope as all petitions are burned at the Grotto as a sign of the prayer ascending to the Lord. Mass intentions and donations can be put in a separate envelope marked 'Mass Intention'- Fr Gerard will make sure that the mass is offered in Lourdes for your intentions. Envelopes can be left in the sacristy of put through the presbytery post box before 30<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Signboard of OLOG Parish Priests**

The sign listing OLOG parish priests is now back in the church, near the piety stall. Say a prayer for all our former parish priests but especially our current one!

### **Votive Candles and stands**

Several members of the community have raised concerns about the safety of the current votive candles and their stands. There are safer and more environmentally 'greener' possibilities that Fr Gerard is researching. More information will follow as we look to renew our votive candles and stands.

### **Spare Mugs!**

If you have any coffee/tea mugs that you can donate to the parish hall & Cottage, we would be very grateful. Thanks for the donations already received.

### **Last Week's Collection**

Last week's loose collection was £584.31  
Gift Aid Envelopes £447.35  
Standing Order Gifts £226.00  
Church Flowers £60.00

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](mailto:vinallerton@gmail.com))  
Many thanks to you all for your generous support.