



Our Lady of Grace

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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th September 2026

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday 13th September

Holy Mass

9.00am & 11.00am

4 Adults will be received into the
Church at the 11 am Mass
Baptism 12.30
Carter Coleman

Monday 14th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Tuesday 15th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Wednesday 16th September

6.30pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 17th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Friday 18th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Saturday 19th September

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 20th September

9am & 11am – Holy Mass

Baptisms 12.30

Rowan Minett

Araya Dehal



From the Parish Priest.....

I was delighted to celebrate mass in our parish school on the feast of the Nativity of our Blessed Lady on Tuesday. The children were in great voice and the mass was beautiful. I was reminded how blessed we are to have such dedicated and skilled staff at our school. There is a real family feel to the school and the children are always so pleased to see me – so too the staff! Please keep our children and staff in your prayers as they begin this new school year.

Bishop John Arnold will be visiting the school on the 1st October. He will be meeting all the children in an assembly and will then meet staff and the school Governors. They are excited to welcome the bishop. Bishop John will then celebrate the 12-noon Mass at OLOG. Please join us if you are free.

During the summer weeks we have completed various works in the church, around the church buildings and Cottage. The painting, cleaning, pointing, security lighting and other decoration have made a big difference, and I am receiving many complimentary comments. Thanks to everyone who has helped.

I want to encourage our younger parish members to get more involved in the various tasks of running the parish. It is great that we have so many attending mass. Please think about how you can help support the mission of the parish by volunteering your time and talents. If we are to plan well for the future, we cannot rely only on the older generation who are so generous. I look forward to having as much help as possible as we grow the mission of our parish.

God Bless You All! Fr Gerard

Prayer intentions for the sick: All our sick parishioners and others known to us including, Christine Rogers, Bernadette Flynn, Kerry Hamer, Bernard Derkin, Michael Murphy and Dymphna McCarthy. *May Our Lady of Lourdes, intercede for their speedy recovery.*

Prayer intentions for those who have recently died: Michael Moore, Ann Mahon (née Banks), Ann Loughran, Joan Lowe, Stasia Whelan, James Houghton, Rose Lockett, Anthony Talbot and Seamus Walsh. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Connie Farrugia, Charlie Farrugia, Dr W J Martin (Liam), Gaynor Lomax and William Bates. *Eternal rest grant to them O Lord.*

Special Intention: For the souls in purgatory.

The Candle in Our Lady's side altar will burn for a special intention.

Thank you for a donation for altar flowers in memory of Eamon and Helen McDonnell.

Wednesday Evening Mass

Mass on Wednesdays will be in the evening at **6:30pm**. There will be no Mass at noon. This is to respond to the request from parishioners asking for an evening Mass.

200 Club August Winning Numbers

The final winners of this year's 200 Club are:

£100 prize numbers 114 and 28. £400 prize no 160.

We start the new year for the 200 Club from September 2026. The cost is £36 for the year with 2 winning numbers each month (£100 each) and two extra bonus wins of £100 (August & November). We have 38 free numbers so please contact Maggie Cottam if you would like to join: send a text, WhatsApp message or email to Maggie Cottam details below.

Telephone 07835 918966,

Email maggie.cottam7@gmail.com

200 CLUB PAYMENT for the new year can be made in cash, by transfer, cheque (to Our Lady of Grace) and through the DONA machine at the back of Church.

Bank Details: Acc No: 60192309 Sort Code: 20-55-34 TSDT Our Lady of Grace Prestwich. (Please add note: For 200 Club.)

Crumpsall Concert Band

As part of the Prestwich Arts Festival, Crumpsall Concert Band will play in the hall on Sunday, 20th September, 14.00 – 16.00. £5 per ticket.

<https://www.prestwichartsfestival.co.uk/events-1/crumpsall-concert-band>

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 October 4th, 10.00 – 10.30am.

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 this weekend.

Friendship Group

The next meeting is on Wednesday 16th September, 12.30 – 3.00pm in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for refreshments, conversation, a quiz, raffle and bingo. All welcome.

RCIA Programme

The programme for people interested in joining the Church will begin Thursday 2nd October. If you would like to join the RCIA course, please contact Nigel Humphreys on 07985437875. All welcome!

Parish Social Evening

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the Social a great success. Thanks too for joining us!

Churches Together in Prestwich

This weekend Churches Together members are praying for Fr Vincent Coyne and the parishioners of Our Lady of Dolours.

Cottage Renovations

The work on the Cottage is now complete. If you can help to clean the Cottage for a few hours per week please contact Fr Gerard.

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.

Church Cleaning

If you can join the Church cleaning team, please contact Fr Gerard – any help is appreciated.

School Parents' Coffee Morning

The first gathering of the new school year will be Tuesday 6th October in the Cottage 9:15 am.

Book Club

The next meeting of the group will be held on **Monday 14th September at 2pm in the Cottage**. Further details from the group's convenor, Vin Allerton, on 07305 727900.

Money Matters! GIFT AID

Attached to this weekend's newsletter is an information sheet on how Gift Aid benefits the parish. If you pay income tax and make a donation to the parish we can claim 25p for every pound you give. This adds up and is a great help to parish finances. The info sheet explains how this works and how you can join the scheme.

We will also have a brief announcement at each of the masses regarding our finances and how your generosity helps us to function as a parish.

Many thanks for considering what you give to the Church. It is greatly appreciated.

Last Week's Collection

Collection in Church £558.72

Gift Aid Envelopes £437.65

Standing Order Donations £186.00

Donation to Votive Candle stands £20

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.