



Our Lady of Grace

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TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20th September 2026

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday 20th September

Holy Mass

9.00am & 11.00am

Baptisms 12.30

Rowan Minett

Araya Dehal

Monday 21st September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Tuesday 22nd September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Wednesday 23rd September

6.30pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 24th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Friday 25th September

12 noon - Holy Mass

Saturday 26th September

11.00am - Holy Mass

Followed by Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament until 12.30pm

11.30am - 12.30pm

Confessions

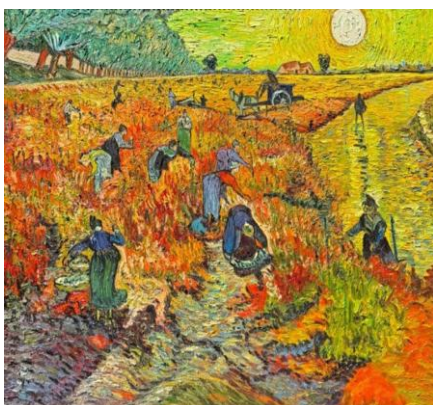
11.30 – 12.30pm

4.00 – 4.40pm

Sunday Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 27th September

9am & 11am – Holy Mass



From the Parish Priest.....

Our scripture readings this week remind us to rely on God's generous mercy. St Matthew's Gospel highlights the truth that God's fairness is not built on human sense of contracts but is based in God's overflowing generosity. We are called through the prophet Isaiah to be converted to God's ways, seeking his justice and peace. Like the early Christian community, St Paul reminds us to live lives worthy of our vocation as Christian men and women. We are blessed at OLOG to have such a warm and welcoming community of likeminded people, all seeking to the best of our abilities to live out our Christian Calling. Trusting in the goodness of God and the guiding presence of the Holy Spirit let's pray that our parish community will continue to be a vibrant sign of the kingdom of God in our world.

Our parish is blessed with many supporters, and I have thanked you all in the past few weeks. I have completed six months as your parish priest, and I have to share that I feel deeply blessed to be serving you. Thanks for all your support and encouragement. God bless you all. **Fr Gerard**

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-centered 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 Welcome All Belong.**

Prayer intentions for the sick: All our sick parishioners and others known to us including, Barbara Murphy, Christine Rogers, Bernadette Flynn, Kerry Hamer, Pat Flynn, Bernard Derkin, Michael Murphy, Dymphna McCarthy, Anne Kenny and Dale Broom.

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

Prayer intentions for those who have recently died: Jed and Rose Lockett. *May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Dr Liam Martin, Mary Gallagher, John Gallagher, Robert Broe, Rebecca Garner, Maria, and William Rusloe. *Eternal rest grant to them O Lord.*

Special Intention: For the souls in Purgatory, Milan Chudy, Doreen Warburton and Sr Amata.

Permanent Diaconate

On Wednesday at St Mary's, Denton, we celebrated the Mass of Candidacy with Bishop John for three men discerning a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate. Among them was one of our own parishioners Nigel Humphreys, who having completed his propaedeutic year, now begins a further three years of prayer, instruction and part-time academic study in formation as he progresses towards ordination. Please keep Nigel and all those discerning the Permanent Diaconate in your prayers. Anyone interested in exploring this vocation is warmly encouraged to speak with me to find out more.

TRANSPORT HUB – MAKING GOOD

Vinci will reinstate the white line markings in the car park on Thursday 24th September. Parking will be restricted.

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 -2 Weeks left to join!

We start the new year for the 200 Club at the end of 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 30 unsold 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

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.

Friendship Group

The next meeting is on Wednesday 30th September, 12.30 – 3.00pm in the Parish Hall. Come and join us for refreshments, conversation, a quiz, raffle and bingo. All welcome.

Churches Together in Prestwich

This weekend Churches Together members are praying for St Andrew's Prestwich and Revd Mike Dyson.

Holy Communion for Sick & Housebound

Our Eucharistic Ministers have begun to visit the sick and housebound. If you would like them to visit you, or you know of a parishioner who cannot get to Church and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please let Fr Gerard have the details.

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!

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.

Money Matters! GIFT AID

Our parish Gift Aid co-ordinator, Vin Allerton, will be available at the back of church after all three masses this weekend. He is happy to answer any questions you may have, arising from last week's talk about money. He will have all the forms you might need to sign up to Gift Aid. If you missed last week's talk and handout, he can give you an update. Or you can contact him my email to vinallerton@gmail.com or by text to 07305 727900.

Parish Social Evening

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the Quiz and Bingo night a great success. We raised £308.50. We have more events planned and look forward to coming together as a parish family.

Last Week's Collection

Collection in Church £674.46

Gift Aid Envelopes £789.50

Standing Order Donations £275.00

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.