Our Lady of Grace

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THIRTY SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME **8th November 2026**

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday 8th November
Remembrance Sunday
Holy Mass
9.00am & 11.00am
Children's Liturgy
9.00 – 9.30am

Monday 9th November
12 noon – Holy Mass

Tuesday 10th November
12 noon - Holy Mass

Wednesday 11th November
6.30pm - Holy Mass

Thursday 12th November
12 noon - Holy Mass

Friday 13th November
12 noon – Holy Mass

Saturday 14th November
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 15th November
9am & 11am – Holy Mass
Children's Liturgy
9.00 – 9.30am



From the Parish Priest…..

This Sunday is **Remembrance Sunday**. A day for us as a nation to remember the service and sacrifice of all those that have defended our freedoms and protected our way of life. Many have paid the ultimate price with their lives. We remember the Armed Forces, and their families, from Britain and the Commonwealth, the vital role played by the emergency services and those who have lost their lives as a result of conflict or terrorism. As we remember the wars and conflicts, we do honour to those departed by committing ourselves to be men and women of peace-to learn from their sacrifice and to do all we can to build a world free from needless conflict and the sorrow of war. As we look around the world today we see that we have to double our efforts to bring about peace and true justice for all. Let us pray that at this time of Remembrance we will be open to allowing the sacrifice of so many to inspire us all to make peace a building block of our own lives and the communities we are part of.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old
age shall not weary them nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
we will remember them

Today, I will be presiding at the service of remembrance at the Cenotaph in Salford. It is an honour to lead the prayers of remembrance with all gathered. We have much to pray for at this time. God bless you all.

Fr Gerard

Christmas Fair - Saturday 28th November 2026

RAFFLE PRIZES – if you would like to donate a raffle prize for the '*Grand Christmas Raffle 2026*' please drop them off at the presbytery. Thanks for your support and generosity**. TICKETS** will be £1 and go on sale this coming week and at Church next weekend.

VOLUNTEER HELPERS NEEDED – Would you like to help with the Fair? There are various roles that need doing to make the fair a success-we cannot do it without you! **CONTACT** – If you can volunteer, please contact Nigel Humphreys on 07985437875. He has a list of stalls and jobs that need volunteers. Many thanks.

Prayer intentions for the sick: All our sick parishioners and others known to us including, Barbara Murphy, Christine Rogers, Geraldine Lunn, Bernard Durkin, Zoey Campbell-Lowndes and Et Dawson.
May Our Lady of Lourdes, intercede for their speedy recovery.

Prayer intentions for those who have recently died:
Jennifer Finlayson, Tommy. Baby Campbell-Lowndes and Jim Heath.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Dates for your Diary

Church Deep Clean meeting on Sunday 22nd November from 2 pm until 6pm. Refreshments (Bacon Butties!) 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!

CHRISTMAS FAIR

If you are able to donate any of the following things for the fair, please drop them off at the Presbytery.

Chocolate bars for the chocolate tombola.
Toys 'old and new' for the Toy stall.
Good quality 'Bric or Brac'.
Irish Coffee ingredients!!
Unwanted gifts that we can use on our stalls.
Unopened bottles of wine or spirits.
Boxes of chocolates or tins of biscuits.

BAKED GOODS

Please contact Nigel (07985437875) to let him know if you are able to offer some baked good. All the usual delights including cakes, scones and mince pies. All to be delivered to the Cottage 10 am on Saturday 28th Nov.

UPPER HALL KITCHEN

Volunteer cleaners are needed on TUESDAY 24th November at 12:30pm for a deep clean of the upper hall kitchen and serving area. Let Nigel know if you can help.

CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING
The next meeting for the planning team is Thursday 12th November at 7pm in the Presbytery.

Churches Together in Prestwich
This weekend Churches Together members are praying for Prestwich Methodist Church and Revd. Jez Hackett.

Friendship Group
The next meeting is on Wednesday 11th November, 12.30 – 3.00pm. Come and join us for refreshments, conversation, a quiz, raffle and bingo.
All welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers
Eucharistic Ministers who visit the homebound and sick are asked to collect a folder from the sacristy. Each folder contains log sheets to be completed after home visits, and the ministers' names are listed on the reverse side.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 29 July – 4th August
If you would like to join our parish group going to Lourdes with the diocese this summer, please take an info sheet from the back of church and register your interest by returning the completed form to the presbytery or Fr Gerard.

Poppies
The parish knitting group have poppies on sale at the Piety Stall. Please take one, and if you are able, make a donation in support of the Royal British Legion.

Visit of the Relics of St Gerard Majella
To mark the 300th anniversary of St Gerard Majella's birth his relics will be coming to Our Lady of Grace Church on Monday 23rd November from 5:30pm. Mass at 6:30pm with time for personal blessing with the relic after mass. There will also be the opportunity for confession from 5:30pm. St Gerard is the Patron Saint of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. You are most welcome to join us.

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.

November Remembrance of the Holy Souls
During the month of November, it is customary for Catholics to have a mass offered for the repose of the soul of departed family members and friends. If you would like to have your departed loved ones remembered at the masses during November, please complete an envelope, available at the back of church, and return to the presbytery or sacristy. Please list the names on the front of the envelope. The envelopes will remain in the basket at the foot of the altar throughout this time of remembrance.

Last Week's Collection
Collection in Church £603.13
Gift Aid Envelopes £493.45
Standing Order Donations £859.00

Thanks to our new donors using the standing order and Gift Aid system.

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.