



**Parish of St. Gregory The Great**  
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*Fr. Paul writes:*

*Now that the season of Christmas is officially over and I have had some time to reflect on the last four months since I came to South Ruislip, I think that it is time for me to evaluate what I have seen in St. Gregory's parish and make some observations regarding the organisation and running of our parish.*

*Firstly, all are to be congratulated in the welcome you gave to me and Fr. Alan. It was immediately obvious to both of us that we had come to a warm and friendly community - highlighted by the teams of Welcomers at the doors at every Sunday Mass. We had also come to a parish with a good proportion of parishioners involved in activities which not only ensure that things run smoothly but also help to build up community (our Altar Servers, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Catechists, Choir, Cleaners, Flower Arrangers, Money Counters, Finance Committee, Social Committee, our Parish Administrator). Thank you for all your commitment and generosity.*

*Secondly, I would like to begin meeting with the various groups to discuss ways in which we can work together and (where necessary) look at possibilities for involving more parishioners and improving the way we do things. The first two groups I would like to meet with are The Eucharistic Ministers and the Readers. I find it's always difficult to find a day and a time which suits everyone - so my apologies in advance for those who are unable to make what is proposed.*

*Eucharistic Ministers - Monday 10th February at 7.30pm in the Church  
 Readers - Monday 17th February at 7.30pm in the Church.*

*Please let Gillian Harrington know if you cannot come. Thank you.*

**Mass in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes - Westminster Cathedral**

This year's Mass will take place on Saturday 8th February at 2pm. The Mass will include the Sacrament of the Sick. All are welcome, no seat reservations or tickets. If you are bringing a wheelchair, please let the parish office know so that a space can be reserved for the wheelchair.

**Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014 3pm.**

Couples who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year (10/25/30/40/50/60 years) are invited to this special Mass at the Cathedral. If you qualify, please let Gillian in the Parish Office, have the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email or telephone number.

**Note from the Parent & Toddlers Group**

The Toddler Group is now full, numbers have to be limited to 25 children per session. Over the next couple of weeks regular parents will be contacted to see if they would still like to attend. In the meantime a waiting list will be set up and you will be contacted if spaces become available. If you do want to pop by occasionally on a Friday morning to see if we have any spaces on that particular day, we would suggest that you come around 10.45 and if there are spaces, you will be welcome to stay.

**26th January 2014**

**MASS TIMES**

**Saturday**

Vigil Mass: 5.30 pm

**Sunday**

10.00 am and 6.00 pm

**Monday**

10.30 am

**Tuesday**

10.00 am

**Wednesday**

10.00 am

**Thursday**

NO MASS HERE

**Friday**

10.00 am

**Saturday**

10.00 am

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Saturday**

10.30 am-11.30 am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturdays: After the morning & evening Mass or by appointment



**COLLECTION**

Envelopes	£ 871.50
Loose Plate	£ 280.06
Standing Order	£ 500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1651.56</b>



**Mass Intentions for week 26th January to 2nd February 2014**

<b>This Sunday 26th January</b>	<b>5.30 pm (Sat)</b>	Eileen Downey (RIP)
<b>3rd Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Margo Devlin (RIP)
	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Bernie O'Connor (RIP)
<b>Monday 27th January</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Funeral Mass</b> John Conroy (RIP)
<b>Tuesday 28th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Bridget Jones (RIP)
<b>Wednesday 29th January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Peg Downey (RIP)
<b>Thursday 30th January</b>	<b>NO MASS HERE TODAY</b>	
	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Mass at The Sacred Heart Church, Ruislip</b>
<b>Friday 31st January</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Paddy McGowan (RIP)
<b>Saturday 1st February</b>	<b>9.45 am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Raymond Galpin (RIP)
	<b>12.30 pm</b>	Holy Baptism - Caitlin Kearney & Jessica Sheehy
<b>Next Sunday</b>		
<b>The Presentation of The Lord</b>	<b>5.30 pm (Sat)</b>	Mary O'Connell (RIP)
<b>2nd February</b>	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Enrolment Mass 1st Communion Children</b>
	<b>6.00 pm</b>	Norah Greisen (RIP)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:-**

Lily McGinley, Tony Johnson, Liam Warren, Pauline Davey, Micah McKennon, Bridie Murren, Frances Wilson, Barbara Smith, Carissa Price, Mary Temple, Nicola Teune, Thelma Buckingham, Michael Clough, Tom Hennessy, Betty Molloy and Ann Ticehurst.

*(Please tell us when people can be taken off this list).*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS ABOUT THIS TIME, WE ALSO REMEMBER AT THIS TIME:-** Eileen Downey, Margo Devlin, Bernie O'Connor, John Conroy, Bridget Jones, Peg Downey, Paddy McGowan and Raymond Galpin.

**Diary for this Week:**

**3rd Sunday of the Year**

**This Saturday 25th January**

5.30 pm Children's Liturgy

**Sunday 26th January**

10.00 am Children's Liturgy

11.00 am Tea & Coffee in hall after Mass

**Monday 27th January**

1.45 pm Monday Club

5.00 pm Walk With Me

6.30 pm Confirmation Class

**Friday 31st January**

10.30 am Parents & Toddlers

**Looking Ahead**

**Next Saturday 1st February**

8.30 am Church Cleaning

9.00 am 1st Communion Class

5.30 pm Children's Liturgy

6.30 pm Social Gathering

**Next Sunday 2nd February**

10.00 am 1st Communion Enrolment Mass

11.00 am Tea & Coffee in hall after Mass

