

# St Gregory's Bulletin

## *'Rebuild my Church .... Rebuild the Community'*

Mass intentions: Fr Martin will be saying mass each day for our intentions. Please phone or text a message leaving your mass intentions to Fr Martin on 07754 057074

Saturday 02 Sep	6pm	Jennifer Coward & Family
Sunday 03 Sep <i>22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	John Biggar RIP (Biggar Family)
Monday 04 Sep <i>St Cuthbert</i>	10am	
Tuesday 05 Sep	10am	Joseph Derek Bowden RIP (M Bann)
Wednesday 06 Sep	<b>No Mass</b>	
Thursday 07 Sep	10am	
Friday 08 Sep <i>Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	12 Noon	
Saturday 09 Sep	6pm	Bernard McCabe RIP & Fr Francis Mageean SDB RIP (G & M McCabe)
Sunday 10 Sep <i>23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	8:30am	People of the Parish
	10:30am	

### Back to School

This week we pray for all the children, young people and staff going back to school after the summer holidays, especially to St Gregory's and All Hallows. We pray that the coming academic year will be a happy and successful one. We pray especially for all the children moving on into Year 7 at All Hallows and to other schools, that they may settle quickly and well.

### Notes for your Diary



#### Fridays at 11.30am

Adoration before 12.00 Mass

#### September

**Fri 08:** St Gregory's Youth Group at Savio House 6pm

**Sun 10:** Confirmation Certificate Mass at 10.30am

**Sun 24:** Macmillan Coffee Morning in the Hall after 10.30 Mass

**Fri 29:** St Gregory's Youth Group at Savio House 6pm

#### October

**Tue 10:** Ecumenical Taize Prayer Meeting at 7.30pm

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## Reflection:

It is a very human trait to try to avoid pain and suffering – for ourselves and those we love; we have a natural instinct to protect ourselves and others.

In today's Gospel when Jesus predicts his forthcoming suffering, Peter's natural instinct kicks in, 'Heaven preserve you, Lord; this must not happen to you.'

And yet Jesus knows that suffering is part of life and part of his mission, just as it is part of our life and part of the cost of discipleship. To follow Jesus we have to share in the cross, accept and carry our own crosses, and sometimes the crosses of others, of those we love.

Reassuringly in today's Gospel Jesus promises that any sacrifices we accept, any suffering we endure in our following of Jesus and the Gospel, in our discipleship, will be rewarded; what we sacrifice and lose, we will find!

## Called to Ministry

**There are many opportunities to minister in St Gregory's Parish.** We are always looking for more parishioners to become involved in parish life and have opportunities to join the various groups in the parish.

Thanks to those who have volunteered to be involved in the various groups and ministries before the summer holidays; it is not too late! The more ... the better!

**If you feel able to serve the parish in any way please message Fr Martin or Liz in the parish office:**  
[churchoffice@stgregorysbollington.org.uk](mailto:churchoffice@stgregorysbollington.org.uk)

## Supporting Savio House

Savio House achieves its important mission through the generosity of its donors and supporters. In recent months with increasing costs for everyday items the team at Savio are asking supporters to buy something from their newly created [Amazon wishlist](#). The wishlist is everyday items the team need or items that need to be upgraded or replaced.

Giving has never been so easy. **Simply click [Amazon wishlist](#)**, select an item you wish to purchase for the Savio team, proceed to the checkout to pay in the normal way and your generous gift will be delivered directly to Savio House. Thank you for your support.

## First Sacraments – Forgiveness and 1<sup>st</sup> Communions 2024:

Message from Barbara Crack, First Sacraments Catechist:

Parents and Guardians of children in Year 2 and above are invited to register for the First Sacraments Preparation Programme. The first session which will be on Sunday 17th September.

We plan to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with the parish community on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December, and celebrate 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Please contact Liz in the parish office to register: [churchoffice@stgregorysbollington.org.uk](mailto:churchoffice@stgregorysbollington.org.uk) or on 01625 572108

## Ollie's Army - Battling Battens Disease

Avril and the family of Ollie & Amelia Carroll offer their heartfelt thanks for your generous donations towards their Charity Tombola for "Ollie's Army" at the Poynton Beer Fest on Sat/Sun, 2nd /3rd September.

Many thanks.