



## Weekly Newsletter for the Parishes of:

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## **Fifth Sunday of Easter Time, Year B – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

*We welcome you, young or old, married, single or divorced, and whatever your gender, sexuality or life circumstance; there is a place for you in our parishes.*

## **GOSH News & Updates**

**Rest in Peace** – Teresa Featherstone will be received into St Oswald's Church 4pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April

### Secular / Community Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Events</u>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May 1:00-2:30</b>	<p><b>Churches Together</b> would like to welcome people living with dementia to a new monthly group: Dementia Empowerment and Engagement. If you have dementia and would like to meet with other people with dementia, please join us in St Gregory's church hall. For more information or a chat, please contact Maria Scurfield 07890910488 <a href="mailto:maria@ctst-nurturingdementia.org.uk">maria@ctst-nurturingdementia.org.uk</a></p>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> March 2025</b>	<p><b>Booking is open</b> for next year's Flame event, <b>Unstoppable: Fan The Flame Of Hope</b>, which will be held at the OVO Arena, Wembley, on 15 March 2025, and is being sponsored by the Catenians, Salesians of Don Bosco, and Cymfed. Early booking discount available.</p> <p><b>'Thank you!' from CAFOD</b> Over 650 schools took part in the Big Lent Walk. Thank you so much to any of our school students for fundraising to fight poverty this Lent. Information about how to pay in your fundraising can be found <a href="http://cafod.org.uk/blwschools">cafod.org.uk/blwschools</a></p> <p><b>'Our Man in Ukraine' – UPDATE!</b> Margaret Gregg (<b>South Tyneside Asylum Seeker and Refugee Church Help</b>) and Anne Patchett would like to thank the generous parishioners of St Gregory's for their wonderful response to another impromptu collection after Mass last Sunday for the orphanages in Ukraine to which driver, Kevin, has taken the recent donations from our parishes. Sunday's collection brought in £1026.66. Amazing! More donations of £400 have been added to this just at the time when Kevin sent the bad news that their industrial cooker in the orphanage had ceased working. Your generosity has been able to replace this as well as providing the funds for baby food. Thank you again! If anyone would like to add to this outreach project, put your donation, no matter how small, in an envelope marked 'Ukrainian Orphanage', hand it in with your parish collection and we will ensure it goes directly to Our Man in Ukraine. God bless you all!</p>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> April 2024.</b>	<p><b>Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse</b> (It is always marked on the Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter in England and Wales.) This year's focus is on communities who have been directly affected by allegations or convictions related to abuse – especially, but not exclusively, within the Church. This may be associated with clergy, a teacher in a local school, a leader of a Catholic group or other person or group whose investigation or conviction is likely to affect the wider community.</p>

## **Updates & Events**

### St Gregory's

**St Gregory First Communions** – Please keep the children in your prayers as they make their First Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 6pm in Church.

**100 Club** – Annual subs are due to be renewed in May. See Kath Softly after Sunday Masses. Thank you for your support.

**Anniversaries** – Please let us know if you wish names to be included on the anniversary list.

**St Oswald's**

**Hymn books** are still available to be dedicated to a deceased friend or family member. Please see Noreen McKie or Terry Brown for information.

**St Oswald's Finance Meeting** – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May at Noon.

**Sacred Heart**

**A big thank you** to all the Stamp Fairies who leave the used postage stamps in the box, at the back of the church – much appreciated. Please continue to support the Canine Partners charity, providing disabled adults with assistance dogs.

**Please pray for the sick**

<b>St Oswald's</b>	<i>Vincent Burke, Linda Thorpe, Harrison Clarke, Rosemary Cox, Richard Cook, Lynne Inkster, Harry Miller, Audrey Sutcliffe, Fr Ronnie Brown, Elaine Brown &amp; Duncan Slater, Vincent Jefferson.</i>
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<i>Charlie Alerston, Caroline Bennett, Margo Davies, June Green, Paul Green, Vanessa Green, Rita Lewins, Patricia McKeag, Kurt Patterson, Bill Paxton, John Shone, Ian Smith, John Wood.</i>
<b>St Gregory's</b>	<i>Sonia Sultman, Bernadette Rodgers, Benedict O'Donohoe, Geraldine McGlasham, Anne Scott, Alan Gibson, Pat Gibson, Ann Slowil, Fr Ronnie Brown, Hilary de Birch, Sheila McBride.</i>

**Anniversaries around this time**

<b>St Oswald's</b>	<i>Ada Ward, Mary Gallagher, Janet Heads, Hugh Gibson, Willie Mulligan, Robert Chapman, Jean McBride, Mary Vickers &amp; James Hasson.</i>
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<i>Ann Donaldson, Cathie Brown, Patricia Churchill, Christopher Greaney, Gerald Runnalls, Rose Heaton, Peter Tunney, James Lowes, Mary Vickers, Margaret Hennally, Jane Bergham, Ronald Richardson, Margaret Burns.</i>
<b>St Gregory's</b>	<i>Mary Cecilia de Birch.</i>

**Weekly Masses**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Church</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Intention</b>
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Sacred Heart	6:30pm	Matthew Dickinson & Laura Denham
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	St Gregory's	9:30am	Paddy Kennedy (AP)
	St. Oswald's	11:00am	People of the parish
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	St. Oswald's	10:00am	Faustina Morgan RIP
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	St Oswald's	10:00am	Requiem Mass Teresa Featherstone Service of Word and Communion
	Sacred Heart	10:00am	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	St. Gregory's	10:00am	Alan Cormack & Geoff Golding (GC) Funeral Service John Lowes
	Sacred Heart	1.45pm	
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Sacred Heart	6:30pm	Bruce Smith
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	St Gregory's	9:30am	Attracta Jacob (MC)
	St. Oswald's	11:00am	Sophia Chapman

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