



The Catholic Parish of Saint Gregory the Great Northampton



PART OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON, REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 234091

OUR
VISION

**“A truly thriving Catholic community
confidently and humbly proclaiming the
Good News of Jesus Christ.”**

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For all the saints!



Pope Benedict XVI - This is the meaning of today's great Solemnity: looking at the shining example of **the Saints** to reawaken within us the longing to be like them; that is to live eternally in the light of God as part of His family. This is the vocation of all the Baptised and it is solemnly proposed today for our prayerful attention and action.

All Saints of God: Pray for us!



We are now looking to establish a branch of **The Confraternity of the Holy House, Corby** here at St Gregory's Church! The cost of lifetime membership is only £5 (which includes an enamel badge and prayer card). The commitment is to daily offer the Our Lady of Walsingham Prayer and to pray the Holy Rosary as a group, preferably in Church, once a week. Janet Northing, the Co-Founder of the Confraternity and current Lay Guardian, will speak to us about this endeavour one weekend during November. If joining the Confraternity is of interest, speak to Fr Wayne.

Our Lady of Walsingham: Pray for us!



On Saturday, 1st November, Pope Leo officially proclaimed **Saint John Henry Newman** - the most recently canonised saint from England and Wales - the 38th Doctor of the Church. The Holy Father also named him “patron of the Church's educational mission alongside St Thomas Aquinas”. To mark this truly historic occasion, the

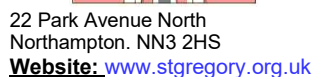
Bishops have released teaching articles that explore this saint's enduring legacy, and they offer us a rich resource to rediscover his wisdom today; the topics include “What is a Doctor of the Church?” and “The Development of Doctrine”. You can read more here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/newman-doctor-of-the-church/>

St John Henry Newman: Pray for us!



Cantors, choir leaders, singers and musicians are all invited to **“Sing the Season: Advent 2025”** which is part of a series of events from the Diocesan Music Liturgy Team. Join them on Sat., 22nd November from 11:00am to 4:00pm (with Mass at 10am) in the Church of Our Lady and St Lawrence, Olney to explore new Psalm settings and ideas for the Advent liturgies. → Please bring a packed lunch; tea and coffee will be provided. A £5 donation is requested to support future events.

St Cecilia: Pray for us!



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All Saints
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Sunday <i>All Saints</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 4.30 pm	Mass Mass Mass (Syro Malabar Rite)	Robert Fleming RIP The Parish
Monday <i>All Souls</i>	9.00 am 7:00 pm	Mass Mass	Holy Souls Holy Souls
Tuesday St Charles Borromeo	9.00 am	Mass	Connie Unsworth RIP
Wednesday Feria	9.00 am	Mass	Tom & Kathleen Nicolson
Thursday Feria	9.00-11.00 6.30 pm 7.00 pm	Holy Hours of Adoration Holy Souls Rosary Mass	Margaret Mullan RIP Holy House Confraternity
Friday Feria	9.00 am	Mass	Jozef Luha
Saturday Bld J. Duns Scotus	9.00 am	Mass	Richard Heron RIP
Sunday <i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 4.30 pm	Mass Mass Mass (Syro-Malabar Rite)	Victims of War The Parish

Your Offering to the Parish:

Last Week Was £384.38. Thank you!

Standing Order gifts to the Parish: Each week £557 is given through standing orders.

Donations through the Diocese:

An average of £75 is given each week.

Second Collection Next Week:

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund.

Gift Aid benefits to the parish:

The value of Gift Aid averages £171 per week.

Cleaners This Week:

The Church is cleaned & sanitised on a regular basis.

Counters this Week:

CC & JH.

Readings for this Sunday: ~~—see inside if you don't believe~~

Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14: *Behold, a great multitude that no one could number.*

1 John 3: 1-3: *We shall see God as he is*

Matthew 5: 1-12a: *Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.*

Readings for next Sunday (CTS New Sunday Missal Page 1197)

Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12: 1 Corinthians 3: 9c-11, 16-17: John 2: 13-22.

During This Season of

Teachers & Pupils: The Harvest:

Ordinary Time, Autumn, We

The Spread of the Gospel; Victims of War;

We Are Asked to Pray For:

Prisoners & Their Families; Children & Young People.

Gregory Care: dates for your diary:-

29th November, 6pm: Indian Unity in Diversity Event (Please note change of date)

On both days the host community will be sharing their culture through food and entertainment. **We hope as many people as possible can join us at these events**

28th February Table top Sale.

9th May St Gregory's Fun Day as part of Headlands celebration.

6th June Picnic in the Park.

Many here will remember Peter Hart. Sadly, he passed away last Sunday. Funeral details have not been arranged as yet. May his soul rest in peace.

Have you collected your photograph of the image of London-born **St Carlo Acutis** and Italian **St Pier Giorgio Frassati** from the porch?!

Please Pray for the Sick:

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Anniversaries:

May they Rest in Peace

Ada Frost	Leslie Richardson
Dorothy Law	Mei Fong Lo
Janet Gibbins	Richard Heron
Hilda Lyon	Mary Lyon
Norah Bull	Mark Hubbard
Edith Eze	Sheila Bull
Mary Lehane	Aranka Olchvary
Maud Passey	Thomas Pepper
Sarah Griffin	Ann Ganderton
Salvatore Oliva	Thomas Tynan
William Moore	Ellen Butters
Giovanni Dichiarà	Catherine Page
Giovanni Triore	Muriel Williams
Richard Partridge	Colin Mays
Patrick Simpson	Srefani Martyniak
Kathleen Williams	Joyce Harrold

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Prayer for Peace for Ukraine, the Holy Land and all places of strife. Please continue to pray for an end to wars, and for all victims of war:

O God, author and lover of peace,
to know you is to live, to serve you is to reign.
Defend against every attack those who cry to you so
that we, who trust in your protection,
may not fear the weapons of any foe.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Notices of Interest

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel:

St Michael the Archangel, defend us in this day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust down into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Repository: The Repository is open after Sunday Masses for the sale of cards and religious goods. The ordered Weekday missals have arrived, price £55.00, available from the Repository after Mass. Any queries or volunteers please contact Kathleen on 01604 629103 or Kath.healey.789@gmail.com

Bible Alive: The November/December issue is now available in the Narthex. The two-month edition is priced at £6. Extremely good value! Please put money into the 'Books & Papers' box in the narthex wall.

The Annual Parish Requiem Mass will be held on Thursday 20th November 7pm. Everyone is warmly invited and there will be an opportunity to leave a single flower in the name of your loved ones who you are remembering at this Mass. Please bring the name you would like reading out clearly written on a slip of paper and hand them to the people who will be at the doors. If you are remembering more than one person please group in family names.

Missio Matters. Thank you for your donations, over £200, to the World Mission Sunday appeal. Your prayers and support will help missionaries work alongside communities worldwide, regardless of background or belief. Please continue to pray for all who share the love and hope of Christ with our sisters and brothers in need throughout the world. To support mission year-round, visit missio.org.uk or call 020 7821 9755 (office hours).

The biggest way we support Missio's work is through the Red Box (etc) system. Currently the total donated is almost as large as last year's record effort. Please make sure donations include your name, especially if you Gift Aid. A number of recent Red Boxes have been handed in but have been recorded as anonymous. Further information from Dorothy at 9:00 Mass, Alec at 11:00.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

Baptism Preparation: The next session will be in the Sacristy, 7pm, on Monday 1st December. Please note you will need to phone Deacon Michael on 07999808997 before you attend, to book a place.

First Holy Communion 2025/6: First Holy Communion 2026 Registration will be on Sunday 19th October after the 11am Mass. If you know that you cannot come on that date, there is an alternative after the 10.30 Mass at Sacred Heart, Weston Favell on Sunday 12th October. Whichever day you register, it is for the same course, and makes no difference to where First Holy Communion is received.

Confirmation in 2026: Confirmation details for 2026 will appear here in due course.

Church Cleaning: Helpers needed to clean the Church on last Sat. every month (next – 29th November), after morning Mass. All welcome, especially the younger, more energetic ones!

Supporting Your Parish: Much the easiest way to support the parish financially is through a standing order directly from your own bank account. The information required for this is as follows:

Bank; **NatWest**
Sort Code; **60-06-11**
Account Number; **46898093**
Account Name; **Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust**
Payment Ref; Parish Name/Area: **(St. Gregory's, Northampton)**
Please remember that if you pay income tax, the Church can reclaim this on your giving, (£2.50 for every £10 given) and this is much simpler if you give by standing order.

Choir Notes: next practices are from 11-12 on the 2nd Saturday of the month: Nov 8. Alec

Ceili Dancing: Dancing continues every first & third Wednesday of the month in the Parish hall. All welcome.

Bl. Cyprian Tansi Prayer Group prays together online via Whatsapp & telephone on the 1st Saturday of the month (next meeting 6th December), in the Hall: 10 am-12pm.

Tots @ St Gregory's: If you have care of a pre-school child on a Tuesday morning we would be delighted to welcome you. Looking forward to seeing you!

Parking: Our car-park is small, & many have to park on the road. We are in a residential district, & our neighbours also like to park. Please be considerate, & remember that there are laws regarding where you may park. *It is illegal to block a drive to a house where there is a dropped kerb or where a white line is painted indicating the needs of a disabled driver. It is also illegal to park at a road junction.* There is usually space on Wellingborough Road at the side of Abington Park opposite the bottom of Lime Avenue.

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Refreshment Donations: Below is the schedule for refreshment donations through the year:

From the first Sunday in Advent	
to the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord:	The Hope Centre
From the Second Sunday in ordinary time	
to the last Sunday before Ash Wednesday:	Gregory Care
Through Lent and Eastertide:	CAFOD
Ordinary Time until the end of August:	Refreshment Fund
September until the Harvest collection:	CAFOD
After harvest until the beginning of Advent:	The Bible Society

Alpha in the Autumn 2025 — Dates and Subjects

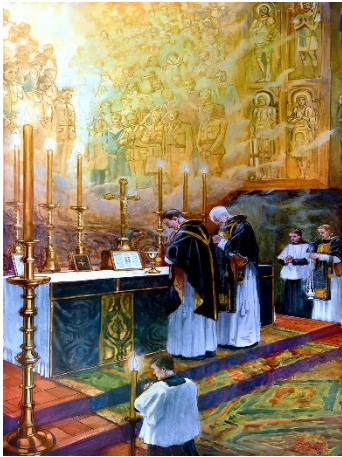
Sixth Session:	November 4 th	Why and how should I read the Bible?	Alpha is a basic introduction to faith in God, in Jesus and the Holy Spirit. It is not a complete teaching scheme for the entire Christian faith. If you are able to help in any way, please contact Daniel Davighi or speak to Fr Andrew. For more information and to book please see: https://stgregory.org.uk/alpha
Seventh Session	November 11 th	How does God guide us?	
Eighth Session	November 18 th	Does God heal today?	
Alpha Away-Day	November 22 nd (Saturday)	Who is The Holy Spirit?	
Ninth Session	November 25 th	How can I resist evil?	
Tenth Session	December 2 nd	Why and how should I tell others?	
Eleventh Session	December 3 rd	What about the Church?	

Let's get *inviting.* 
alpha.org.uk/promote

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

November is the time when we specifically pray for our departed loved ones and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory as we aid them in their journey to be with God. If you write the names of your deceased loved ones on a piece of paper, and then place this list in the remembrance box, the Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for them daily during November and prayers asked for them at the Sunday Mass. → *Please do not offer a donation for this spiritual work of mercy.*



The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for **ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

on Monday, 3rd November at 9:00am and 7:00pm in St Gregory's Church.

The **PARISH REQUIEM MASS** will be offered on Thursday, 20th November at 7:00pm. **All welcome.**

Holy Souls Rosary: Do join us for this each Thursday of November at 6:30pm as we pray for these intentions:

1. All the bereaved.
2. All the recently departed.
3. Our own departed loved ones.
4. All The Holy Souls in Purgatory.
5. The Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham and The Confraternity of the Holy House, Corby.

We will begin the Holy Souls Rosary with the prayer to Our Lady of Walsingham. NB: Twenty-five specially commissioned Holy Souls single-decade rosary beads will be available for people to borrow for this devotion (and then to return for us for use the following week).

Update: The Holy Souls Rosary will be led by **Janet Northing**, who is the Co-Founder of the Confraternity of the Holy House, Corby, and its Lay Guardian. Please make Janet welcome to our parish and use the opportunity to speak to her about the Confraternity.

Sacrament of Confession: Once more we are to use the Confessional in the Church for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation; this allows for more anonymity and is a good safeguarding practice. If you would prefer to see the Priest 'face to face' then an appropriate place in the Church nave will be used.

Update: This sacrament of the Lord's mercy can be celebrated after the 9am Mass each Saturday and by request; in the first instance please speak to Fr Wayne.

New Sanctuary Arrangements: The staging in the sanctuary had served us well but did become a health and safety concern. Thanks to the great generosity of several parishioners a new 'dais' (platform) has been installed to make accessing the tabernacle easier, and during the coming week this, and the ambo steps, will be covered in carpet in a beautiful shade of green.



During last week we were all held in prayer, and a large candle was offered for us, at the **Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes** by Clare, Chris, Matthew and Joseph.

Thank you!

Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette: Pray for us!



The Prayer to St Michael the Archangel is used in many parishes across the world as part of the Holy Rosary and/or recited after Holy Mass. This was composed by Pope St Leo XIII in 1886 and has been offered by the faithful ever since. However, its use declined after the Second Vatican

Council. Renewed interest in the prayer developed in the autumn of AD 2018 in the wake of concerns about unity within the Catholic Church and revelations of sexual abuse of minors and adolescents by clergy and others. In October of 2018 **Pope Francis** invoked the prayer and asked that it be recited by all the faithful. Pope Francis was not shy in citing the devil as a cause of evil and disunity: "[The Church must be] saved from the attacks of the malign one, the great accuser and at the same time be made ever more aware of its guilt, its mistakes, and abuses committed in the present and the past". Pope St John Paul II also encouraged offering this powerful prayer.

St Michael the Archangel: Pray for us!