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*Signatum est super nos  
lumen vultus tui,  
Domine.*



**The light of thy countenance  
is signed upon us,  
O Lord.**

**Psalm 4: 7**

*Services for the Third Week of Eastertide 2024  
14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> April*

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<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April,</b> Holy Mass, 6.00 pm	The People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April, <i>The Third Sunday of Easter (OF) - Second after Easter (EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 8.00 am Sung Mass, 10.30 am	Mrs Yvonne Sadler Joy
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 9.30 am	Ben
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 9.30 am	Ed & Jo
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)	Joseph & Farzana
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 9.30 am <b>NB: Holy Hour &amp; Confessions, cancelled, this week only</b>	Michael Chegwyn
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 6.00 pm (Extraord. Form)	Kay Huntley
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Easter Feria (OF) – Saturday of Our Lady (OF, EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 9.30 am Holy Hour, Confessions, 10.00 - 11.00 am, Benediction, 11.00 am	Evelyn
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April, <i>Vigil of Sunday</i></b> Confessions, 5.15 pm Holy Mass, 6.00 pm	May & Dennis Stanbridge & Tim Ryan RIP
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April, <i>The Fourth Sunday of Easter (OF) – Third after Easter (EF)</i></b> Holy Mass, 8.00 am Sung Mass, 10.30 am	The People of the Parish Mrs Josie Church (100 <sup>th</sup> birthday)

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**Father John writes:**

**Advance Notice: Second Collections**

Next Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April, for Clergy Training Fund  
12<sup>th</sup> May for Catholic Communications

**Advance Notice: Visit of Father Francisco**

Fr Francisco of the Bournemouth Oratory will be visiting us on the weekend of 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> April. This is his first visit to St Gregory's since his Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood on 24<sup>th</sup> January. He will celebrate the Solemn Mass at 10.30 am on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>. After Mass he will give his First Blessing.

**Advance Notice: May Procession**

The May Procession will take place at 3 pm on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May, the eve of the feast of Our Lady of Fatima. As part of a series of talks on prayer being given by the priests of our deanery for the Year of Prayer, I shall give a short talk on *Our Lady and Prayer*. Before then, the next talk in the series will be given at Greyfriars by Br. Martin OFM Cap at 7 pm this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April.

**Eastertide House Blessings**

Please let me know if you would like your home to receive the special Paschal blessing during Eastertide (up to Trinity Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May).

**Mass Intentions**

Asking for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be offered for one's own intentions, or for a loved one, living or dead, is a beautiful and powerful act of faith, hope, and charity. Usually, we have an abundance of intentions, but unaccountably the well is running dry. If you have one or many intentions for which you would like Mass to be offered, now is your opportunity. Please use one of the little brown envelopes in the narthex, fill in the details, add your offering, and return either through the Presbytery letter-box or in the collection plate. It's good to remember the words of Pope Leo XIII: **In the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass ... Jesus Christ, both Priest and Victim, daily offers Himself to His Father through the ministry of His priests on earth. By virtue of this Sacrifice the infinite merits of Christ, gained by His Precious Blood shed once upon the Cross for the salvation of men, are applied to our souls.**

**Act now to stop DIY abortion up to birth**

Diana Johnson MP has tabled an amendment to the Criminal Justice Bill, which seeks to change the criminal law so that 'no offence is committed by a woman acting in relation to her own pregnancy' at any gestation.

Please contact your MP urgently, asking them to oppose this extreme proposal, using SPUC's webtool: <https://www.spuc.org.uk/abortionamendments> Please pray for the protection of unborn babies, and for the support and comfort of mothers in need.

**Archbishop Wilson's defence of human life**

In a recent Pastoral Letter, Archbishop John Wilson of Southwark has strongly reaffirmed the Church's opposition to euthanasia and assisted suicide: **The Catholic Church [he writes] believes and teaches that every life is valuable, regardless of one's physical or mental state or ability. We are called to care for those who are suffering, not to bring about their death. We cannot approve of any form of euthanasia and assisted suicide. Rather, we need to support individuals, families, and those who work in healthcare, so that the fundamental value of life is not eroded.**

**The Food Larder**

Thank you to all those contributing items each week. Please continue to donate dry goods and toiletries using the boxes in the narthex and Presbytery porch. Every tin or packet makes a difference. Toiletry items are always needed, **and this week there's a special request for washing powder/liquid/tablets.**

**Please pray for peace in the Middle East, and don't forget Ukraine!**

**Please pray for the sick and housebound**

His Majesty The King, HRH The Princess of Wales, Anne-Marie, Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, Jane Brownson, Ela Bulewicz, Olive Clarke, Paul Conway, Maureen Dalton, Mike Hall, Aneta Gawrysiak, Joyann Green, Sr. Joseph Andrew OP, Jill Kelly, Emily Long, Elsie Maria Michaud, Fiona McLaren, Anne Morris, Alice Murphy, Jill Pinnock, Sharon Power-Hartley, Joy Smith, Fr Frank Sofie, Malcolm Spicer, Matthew Spicer, Evelyn Watkin, Anthea Watson, and Dennis White.

**Please pray for the faithful departed**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially Susanna Dorothea Bailey, Edward Elgar, Andrew Conal Finbarr Gegan, Charles Henderson, and Anne Frances Kaicker, who have anniversaries at this time.

**+ Requiem aeternam dona eis,  
Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.**

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The Parish of SS Gregory and Augustine is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church.  
We work closely with the Archdiocese of Birmingham Safeguarding Team to create a safe environment for children, young people, and adults at risk.  
Our Safeguarding Officer is Claire Harrington, [sg.stgregory-staugustine.Oxford@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stgregory-staugustine.Oxford@rcaob.org.uk).  
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