

Parent Newsletter

Week Ending: 25th September 2026 (B)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Celebration of the Word – Year 11 and 6 th Form – Hall	Celebration of the Word – Year 8 and Year 9 – Hall	Celebration of the Word – Year 7 and Year 10 – Hall	Whole School Reading	PSHE

Morning Prayer

Morning prayer will continue this week in the Chapel on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 8:00am, led by our Chaplain, Fr Brendan in the chapel. Please encourage your children to attend.

Catholic Social Teaching Focus

Reflection

At St Gregory's, we believe that creation is a precious gift from God. Jesus teaches us that we are stewards, not owners, of the world around us. He reminds us to be faithful with what we have been given.

Caring for creation is part of living as true disciples of Christ. When we reduce waste and recycle, we honour God's generosity. Looking after animals, plants, and the earth shows respect for the Creator.

Jesus calls us to love our neighbour, and that includes future generations. At St Gregory's, we live our faith by protecting the beauty of God's world.

Every small choice we make can reflect the Gospel of love and responsibility. By being good stewards, we bring glory to God in our daily lives.

Gospel Focus

Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I

choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

Reflection

Last Sunday's Gospel reminds us that God's generosity is greater than our own understanding. Jesus teaches us not to compare ourselves with others or become envious of what they receive, but to recognise that every person is valued and loved by God.

As we continue this new school year at St Gregory's, this is an important message for all of us. We may sometimes compare our achievements, friendships, opportunities, or abilities with those of others. Jesus encourages us instead to be grateful for what we have and to recognise the gifts and strengths that each person brings.

We are also reminded that there is a place for everyone in God's Kingdom. Each of us has different talents and experiences, but everyone has something valuable to offer. When we celebrate the success of others rather than feeling jealous, we help to create a community built on encouragement, kindness, and generosity.

As we continue this new year, let us remember to be grateful for our own blessings, celebrate the gifts of others, and trust in God's generous love.

Prayer

Loving Father,
Thank You for all the gifts and opportunities You have given us.
Help us not to compare ourselves with others, but to be grateful for who we are.
Teach us to celebrate the achievements of others with kindness and generosity.
Guide us at St Gregory's to encourage one another and recognise the value in every person.
May we always remember that we are loved by You.
Amen.