Parent Newsletter

Week Ending: 27th November 2026 (A)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Celebration of the Word – Year 9 and 6th Form	Celebration of the Word – Year 8 and Year 11	Celebration of the Word – Year 7 and Year 10	Whole School Reading School Closes at 2pm for prepare for Prize Night	School Closed Staff Day

Attendance - The top attending forms for week beginning 9th November 2026
Gold – 10L
Silver – 7J
Bronze – 8L

Commendations - Form points for week beginning 9th November 2026
Gold – 7L
Silver – 10L
Bronze – 8A

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

This half term, we continue focusing on the Catholic social teaching of solidarity and peace, reminding us that we are called to stand together, protect one another, and work for a world where every person is treated with dignity.

Many famous Catholics lived this message so powerfully that they gave their lives for peace.

One example is St Oscar Romero, a bishop who spoke out against violence and injustice in El Salvador. He defended the poor, challenged those who harmed others, and refused to stay silent when people were suffering. Because he stood up for peace and justice, he was killed while celebrating Mass.

His courage challenges us at St Gregory's to stand up for what is right in our own lives, by including those left out, speaking kindly, and choosing peace even when it's difficult.

Gospel Focus

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him

and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."

'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Reflection

In last Sunday's Gospel for the Feast of Christ the King, Jesus describes himself as the King who will welcome those who have cared for others into his Kingdom. He tells us that whenever we feed the hungry, welcome a stranger, help someone in need or show kindness to another person, we are serving Christ himself.

This Gospel reminds us that being a follower of Jesus is not just about what we say we believe, but about how we treat the people around us each day. Christ the King shows us that true leadership is found in love, service and compassion for others.

As we continue our journey at St Gregory's, let us look for opportunities to put our faith into action. Through our words, our choices and the way we care for one another, we can be living examples of Christ's love. This week, may we make a special effort to notice those who need our help and to serve others with kindness, generosity and respect.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,
As we celebrate you as Christ our King, help us to follow your example of love and service.
Teach us to recognise you in the people we meet each day, especially those who may need our help or support.
Help us to show kindness, compassion and respect to everyone in our St Gregory's community.
Guide us to use our gifts to serve others and to make a positive difference through our words and actions.
May we always choose to live as your faithful disciples and build your Kingdom of love, peace and justice.
Amen.