

SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

PARISH COMMUNITY

LIVING THE GOSPEL . . .

- ~ IN FAITH
- ~ IN WORSHIP
- ~ IN SERVICE



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18 & 19, 2018

From the Desk of Parish Nurse:

Mid summer greetings from Health Ministry. Actually, "The Fair" has been in full swing the past week, so we may well be tetering close to fall. Most people I've talked with tell me this has been the hottest and fastest summer they can remember in a long time, but are looking forward to fall, settling back into their routines, kids back to school etc...As for me my comfort number is ahh..78°. I don't tolerate 90°well at all.

While Fr. Leon is on sabbatical, he asked staff members to share about their ministry in his column. Health Ministry, I believe, is the smallest ministry on campus, both in hours and people on staff (1 person, 6-10 hrs. per week). Located in the Ministry Center, second floor, with a mobile office at any Tim Hortons, Wegmans, our Café and from time to time the parking lot.

Our Parish Health Ministry roots itself in Christ's ministry by treating the "whole" person, physical, emotional and spiritual, through resources that support getting healthy, staying healthy and dealing with illness by integrating care of mind, body and spirit. Focusing on providing parish-wide health education opportunities through speakers and seminars, and providing one-on-one health related information for parishioners who may need assistance regarding health issues. Also can provide support and access to community health resources when a parishioner is caring for a loved one or friend who is living with a chronic illness and is alone or far away from family, or if they need assistance accessing health services for in-home care or multilevel facility care.

Through a wonderful group of parishioner volunteers we host a RESPITE for memory care the first Saturday of each month in the Gathering Rooms from 11:00am-2:00pm. We also offer Blood Pressure screening various times through the year and Flu Shot Clinic every fall.

This is a beautiful service ministry that allows me the opportunity to encounter, engage and equip our parishioners and their families with resources as a disciple of Christ through me for them.

I'm thankful for the many areas of our Parish this ministry takes me to. May you always dwell in the light of our Lord and be nourished through his Holy Eucharist and Precious Blood.

Lee Zack

THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Is a family member or friend (or the Holy Spirit!) tugging you in our direction? Sessions of inquiry (no commitment) regarding The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) start in September. Contact Fr. Paul Cygan (688-5678 Ext. 336 or pcygan@stgregs.org) for more information.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

In July, we Baptized 10 new Christians. Welcome to our parish family and congratulations to the parents of: **Anthony James Dolce, Elliana Marie Gruttadauria, Avery Irelyn Hein, Donald Harrison Land, Cooper Noah Larson, Liam David McNulty, Jack Robert Stanton, Mason Patrick Sweet, Alessandro Cristiano Spinazzola and Benjamin Douglas Trzewieczynski.** Special thanks to parish seamstresses for the white Remembrance Stoles.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Aug. 20: Ezekiel 24:15-24; Matthew 19:16-22
Tues. Aug. 21: Ezekiel 28:1-10; Matthew 19:23-30
Wed. Aug. 22: Ezekiel 34:1-11; Matthew 20:1-16
Thurs. Aug. 23: Ezekiel 36:23-28; Matthew 22:1-14
Fri. Aug. 24: Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51
Sat. Aug. 25: Ezekiel 43:1-7ab; Matthew 23:1-12
Sun. Aug. 26: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b (122B); Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Promise of eternal life

Reading I Proverbs 9:1-6 (forsake foolishness)
Reading II Ephesians 5:15-50 (sing praise to the Lord)
Gospel John 6:51-58 (discourse on the Bread of Life continued)
Key Passage Jesus said, those that eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day.” (John 6:51)

Adult: *How does Jesus’ promise of eternal life affect the way you live today?*

Child: *How often do you think about heaven? Does it make a difference in the choices you make?*

Paul Walter and Robert Warner Ordination RSVP

On Saturday, September 15, we will have a bus leaving St. Gregory’s at 8:00am for the Basilica in Lackawanna, and will return to St. Gregory’s after the Ordination at around 1:30pm. On Sunday, September 16, Deacon Robert Warner will preach for the first time as an ordained member of our parish community at the 11:00am Mass and Deacon Paul Walter will preach for the first time at the 12:30pm Mass. A reception will follow in the Ministry Center after the 11:00 and 12:30 Mass. Please complete this slip to RSVP and return to Jo Pierino by mail or collection by August 27.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number Attending: _____

_____ Yes, please save me a spot on the bus for Sept. 15th.

_____ Yes, I will attend Mass and the reception at the 11:00am Mass.

_____ Yes, I will attend Mass and the reception at the 12:30 Mass.

Wedding Anniversary Mass

A special Mass and renewal of vows will be celebrated by Bishop Malone for couples celebrating their 50th, 60th or 70th Wedding Anniversary for the year of 2018. Join Bishop Malone on Sunday, October 14, at 10:30am at St. Joseph Cathedral located in downtown Buffalo. Following the Mass, formal pictures of the couple with Bishop Malone will take place in the Lady Chapel located to the left of the main sanctuary. If you wish to attend, please call Jo in the Parish Office at 688-5678 by August 24.

VOCATION VIEW

When Jesus proclaimed that His body is true bread and that His blood is true drink for the life of the world there were many who found these words troubling. What does your sharing in the Eucharist afford you, and how can you help others appreciate the greatness of this gift? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the “Priest of the Month” stories on our website – www.buffalovocations.org!

Catechist’s Corner

The role of a catechist is to teach our faith by word and example.

FFF Catechists Needed for the 2018-2019 school year!

Lesson plans and all materials needed to teach are provided. If you're not sure, try volunteering as a substitute-you'll find the time so rewarding! If you feel that this is what God is calling you to do, or you just want more information, please contact Joan Rischmiller at the Family Faith Formation Office at 688-5760. Program dates and times that need Catechists and aides are listed below.

FFF Weekly programs (September - April):

Mondays (4:30 pm - 5:45 pm): We need a Catechist for Grade 2 and a Co-Teacher for Grade 3.

Wednesdays (4:30 pm - 5:45 pm): We need a Catechist for Grades 1, 3 and 4.

Saturdays (9:00 am - 10:30 am): We need a Full-time aide for Little Cherubs, a Co-Teacher for Grade 1 and a Catechist for Grades 3,5 & 6.

Monthly FFF (Aka Generations of Faith) programs run from September - April and meet once a month:

Session A (Sunday 10:30 am - 12:00 noon) Need Catechist for Grades 4, 9 and 10.

Session B (Sunday 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm): Need Catechists for Grades 3,6,7 and 8.



SAVE THE DATE
20th Annual Great Dinner Auction
An Evening in Monte Carlo
Saturday, November 3, 2018
Salvatore's Italian Gardens

Volunteers Needed!

Youth and Adult Volunteers:

If you would like to help out selling car raffle tickets in September or October after weekend Masses or at the Auction, please contact Katie Hufnagel at mckm6174@yahoo.com.

Gift-Gathering Party Time



Everyone loves an excuse to party. Host a gift-gathering party to support St. Greg's annual dinner auction and have fun while supporting the parish's largest fund raising effort. Contrary to popular belief, a gift-gathering party does not have to be a lavish large catered affair to be a success. The best parties are simple and easy. How about coffee and donuts with friends, a kids pool party, wine and cheese with the neighbors? The possibilities are endless! For more information on how to host or plan your own party, please contact Auction Coordinator Cindy Reitebach at dinnerauction@gmail.com or 688-5678 x337.

WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

PRESENTS

"LET THE SPIRIT SET YOU FREE"

A WOMEN'S DAY OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

AT 10 :00 AM

....for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14:17



TRISH SHORT -NATIONAL CATHOLIC SPEAKER, AWARDWINNING CATHOLIC SINGER/SONGWRITER & PRO-LIFE ADVOCATE. A much sought-after speaker and musician, Trish's music and personal witness testify to the **TRANSFORMING POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**, Who changes lives through the Love and Mercy of God. Trish is best known as one of the singers of "The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song" which has aired on EWTN since 2002. Open the windows of your soul and let the Holy Spirit in!

When: Saturday, September 22, 2018, 10:00 am (doors open at 9:45 am) until 3:00 pm Where: St. Gregory the Great Ministry Center, 220 St. Gregory Ct., Williamsville, NY 14221 **Cost: \$35-** "This Spa for the Women's Soul" includes prayer, spiritual activities, music and song with Sydnie & Joana Perkins from St. Luke's Voices of Mercy along with Nancy Erdman. You can relax, and renew your faith with fellowship and fun, enjoy morning and all-day refreshments, and lunch by Cenzo's Catering. Kindly make checks payable to St. Gregory the Great, with "Women's Enrichment 9/22 Event" in the memo and return with registration form by mail to St. Gregory the Great, 200 St Gregory Ct, Williamsville, NY 14221. Your completed form with payment may also be placed in the collection basket at Mass. For more information contact Joy Bila at jbila@hotmail.com or phone 834-0128.

Kindly RSVP no later than Sunday, September 16

I will Attend the Women's Enrichment Ministry's Day of Spiritual Renewal with Trish Short on 9/22/18

Name _____

Email _____

Register Now For

QUEEN OF HEAVEN:

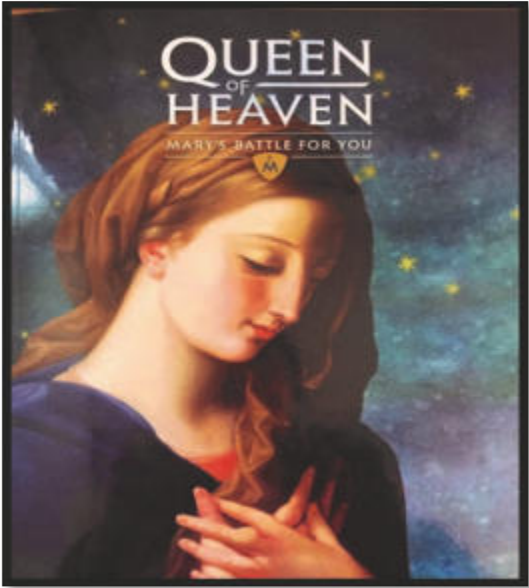
Mary's Battle for YOU!

St. Greg's MOMS is sponsoring an 8 week Parish Study on Mary beginning

September 10

7:00-8:30pm

Monday Evenings in the Gathering Room



ANYONE IS WELCOME to join this Marian study as we embark on a journey into a deeper encounter and understanding of our Blessed Mother. While Catholics know of her and honor her, the Queen of Heaven study will introduce you to her in a fuller and more intimate way. Register today. Please send a \$20 check payable to St. Gregory the Great to the Parish Office, 200 St. Gregory Court, Williamsville, NY 14221 with the completed form below. **For more**

information contact Dawn Iacono stgregsmoms@gmail.com



QUEEN OF HEAVEN: Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Payment: \$20 CASH: _____ \$20 CHECK: # _____

Please enclose a \$20 check payable to St. Gregory the Great and send to the Parish Office marked **MOMS-QOH**: 200 St. Gregory Ct., Williamsville, NY 14221 with the completed form above. **Questions:** Contact Dawn Iacono stgregsmoms@gmail.com

PRAYER BLANKETS FOR SICK CHILDREN

The Ladies of the Lord ministry has blessed prayer blankets for babies & young children who are ill or in the hospital. The children are added to our Prayer intention book and are in the daily prayers of all the Ladies of the Lord. To request prayers call the Parish Office (688-5678), Mary (867-0347), or Linda (689-0447).



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Respect Life

**In Honor of the Feast of the Assumption
(August 15)**

O Mary, Bright Dawn of the New World

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life: Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers:

- of babies not allowed to be born,
- of the poor whose lives are made difficult,
- of men and women who are victims of brutal violence,
- of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy.

Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of Life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives, and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and Lover of Life.

Saint Pope John Paul II, March 25, 1995

O Mary, Mother of All Life, pray for us!

Reminder: The USCCB Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life began August 3 and continues until September 28. Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York and Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, invites all people to join in a prayer campaign that the change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life.

It's not too late to start! Those wishing to join this nine-week prayer effort can sign up at www.usccb.org/pray to participate in this and subsequent Call to Prayer initiatives via email or text message.

"SPIRITUAL SPINS & GRINS"

From Father Francis

Do not turn to prayer hoping to enjoy spiritual delights; rather come to prayer totally content to receive nothing or to receive great blessing from God's hand, whichever should be your Heavenly Father's will for you at that time. [Jeanne Guyan, 1648-1717]

Hospitality Committee Annual Meeting

Wednesday, September 5, 7:30 pm in Gathering Room 1. Please bring your calendar and your Auction donation. Anyone interested in joining, please come to our once-a-year meeting, meet the crew, select dates you can be of service. Many hands make work light. We need you!

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Little Rock Scripture Study ~ God's Word is Alive and Present Today

Christianity lifts us up from the level of Christian doctrine (laws and practices) into the mystery of the relationship through interaction with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. "In my God is the joy for my soul" Is 61-10. Christianity gives us not rules and instructions BUT goals and direction (a relationship with God) "It is for those with a journey to make." Is 35:4-8 "In my God is the joy for my soul." Is 61:10. Christianity gives us not rules and instructions. BUT goals and directions. "It is with those with a journey to make." Is35:4-8. Isaiah is the most quoted Old Testament author referred to on the New Testament (except Psalms). His views reveal many of God's plans for salvation which are fulfilled in the New Testament.

Come learn about God's GPS. (God's Plan for salvation). " HE IS The WAY". Is 30:21

You will leave assured with renewed peace in your heart. "God is with you always." Is 61:10

Due to the length and depth of this book, we will complete the first seven lessons. Come join us for a beautiful spiritual adventure.

To register call Joan King at (716) 688-7238

Location: Ministry Center #2 **Cost:** TBA

Time: Mondays, 7:00 - 8:30pm

Family Faith Formation

FFF Office Summer hours: Monday - Thursday,
from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Family Faith Formation Registration: Weekly FFF Classes begin the week of September 10.

To register for the 2018-2019 school year, please register online: www.stgregs.org/register-now/



The theme for this year's High-School Summer Program was "Speak Life." Each student wrote a word of encouragement on a square. Brought together around the cross, the patches made a beautiful expression of our faith community. See close-up of some of the squares from the quilt!



Grilling at the Café!

Join us for lunch every Wednesday and Friday afternoon as we will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages. Also, come anytime for lunch and breakfast and enjoy our delicious breakfast sandwiches.

Parish Activity Calendar

Sunday, August 19

1:00 pm Summer School Recital (MC Gym)

Monday, August 20

Tuesday, August 21

6:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church Crying Room)

7:00 pm Youth Ministry S.W.A.T. (MC Basement)

Wednesday, August 22

10:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (MC Foyer)

6:30 pm Youth Ministry Girls Prayer Group Meeting (MC 2)

Thursday, August 23

7:00 pm Youth Ministry High School Hangout (MC Gym, Basement, Front Lawn)

Friday, August 24

Saturday, August 25

7:00 am Diocese Protecting God's Children Workshop (GR 1 & 2)

3:00 am MOMS Coffee & Donuts "Come & See" (GR 1 & 2)

Sunday, August 26

10:30 am MOMS Coffee & Donuts "Come & See" (GR 1 & 2)

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St. Gregory the Great

Sunday

September 23

12:00 noon-4:00 pm

in the
Ministry Center

Family Bills Day



CHIAVETTA'S
Barbeque Take-Out

Watch the

Buffalo Bills

vs.

Minnesota Vikings

Admission is FREE!



Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Adam Jarosz: ajarosz@stgregs.org; Nicole Janecek: njanecek@stgregs.org; Richard Patti: rpatti@stgregs.org
~ 688-3578

Middle School: Visit stgregsym.org for more information!

If you have any questions about Middle-School Ministry, feel free to contact Nicole!

High School: Visit stgregsym.org for more information!

SWAT Team: August 21

SWAT (Spiritual Weapons and Tactics) is our high-school prayer group designed for those who want to dive deeper into the Bible and explore the Catholic faith. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00pm for discussion or simply adoration time! Food and fun is included!

Mass and Lunch: August 22

Join us for noon Mass, followed by food and fun afterwards. Every Wednesday at 12:00 noon!

High-School Hangout: August 23

Join us every Thursday starting at 7:00pm for fun and games outside, a bonfire, s'mores, snacks and a movie projected onto the wall of the Ministry Center! All are welcome!

Female Community Group: All high-school girls welcome! Meets **Wednesday, August 22**, at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center! Join for great discussion, prayer and much more!

If you have any questions about High-School Ministry, feel free to contact Richard!

Young Adult Ministry

Young Adult Summer Lineup: Open for all 18-30 some-things.

Oasis Magazine and website: Sign up for the online magazine for young adults both home and away for original content to keep you fresh. Take a look at the website (stgregsYM.org) or follow us on Instagram [@stgregsyounadults](https://www.instagram.com/stgregsyounadults) for events and gatherings.

College

College Summer Lineup: Open for recent High-School Grads to recent College Grads.

College Life returns this fall - We'll be back to break open the Faith and build community in a big way. We're revamping College Life for this fall and will be open to all college students nearby. Stay tuned for dates!



MOMS: Free Coffee & Donuts..

Next weekend after all the Masses!...interested in knowing more about the MOMS Ministry at St. Greg's? Stop into the Gathering Room after all the Masses August 25/26 for FREE coffee & donuts. Come and see what MOMS is all about; bring the kids, talk to MOMS members, learn about the free babysitting, watch a video & grab registration cards. Our first guest in September is a Catholic midwife & author, Mary Hazeltine. No time to stop by? Contact Dawn Iacono at stgregsmoms@gmail.com for more info, Lorianne McNamara about free babysitting 507-2026 and Mary Sendlack about Playgroup 982-5120.

Ladies of Charity

Monthly meeting will be on Monday, August 27, at 1:00 pm in the Café. Our yearly dues will be collected. New members are always welcome.

Senior Citizens

Monday, August 20; Seneca Niagara Casino, \$16 per person. \$25/Slot Dollars plus \$5/food voucher. Bus departs St. Gregory's Ministry Center at 8:30 am and returns at 3:30 pm. Valid Government Photo ID required.

Tuesday, August 28; Seneca Allegany Casino Customer Appreciation Day, \$30 per person, \$30/Slot Dollars and free buffet lunch. Bus departs St. Gregory's Ministry Center at 9:00 am and returns at 5:00 pm. Valid Government Photo ID required.

September 13-18; Nashville, Tennessee, motorcoach, featuring the Grand Ole Opry, \$745/person double occupancy. 5 nights lodging and breakfasts, 3 dinners including Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theatre, performances at Grand Ole Opry and Texas Troubadour Theater and much more. Reservations/deposit due by August 15.

For travel reservations/information, call Nancy at 631-5313. **For future trips, payment is now required when making reservations and/or a deposit on overnight trips.**

Senior Co-Ed Bowling League

The senior co-ed bowling organizational meeting (and 2 games of bowling) will be held at Transit Lanes on Thursday, August 30, at 12:30 pm. If you are a bowler **not** returning this year, please call me before the meeting. New bowlers are always welcome. The season starts Thursday, September 6, at 12:15 pm for practice and 12:30 pm start time. For information, please attend the meeting or contact Beverly at 634-7616.

HELP WANTED

Would you like to help out the future church? Do you enjoy working with middle-schoolers or high-schoolers? Are you looking for a way to get involved at St. Greg's? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, we'd love to have you join the St. Greg's Youth Ministry team! Feel free to contact us anytime!

Adult Faith Formation - Fall 2018 Courses

Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance

Course Overview: Paul's letter to the Ephesians reveals man's remarkable gifts that we as Christians are given in the Church. This letter tells us about the nature of the Church - as a body, as a household, as a mystery, as a communion, as a bride, and as an army. It shows the great inheritance that awaits us as sons and daughters, adopted fully into the family of God. It reveals how God's great love for us can transform our daily lives if we allow it. Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance is an 8-part Bible study that will enrich your faith, and show you how to live it out.

Lead By: Arlene Meyerhofer

Cost: \$23.00

Location: School Foreign Language Room

Time: 6:30 -8:30 pm

Day/Dates: Tuesdays, September 11, 18, & 25: October 12, 23 & 30: November 6, 13, 20 & 27: December 4, 11 & 18

Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John

Course Overview: Following Christ takes more than simply believing in Him or doing what He asks of us. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer — He wants you to be his disciple and friend. Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John is your guide to a personal encounter with Christ. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus seeks after us. He comes to meet us and beckons us to follow Him. He calls us to be his disciples, to trust Him, to open ourselves to His merciful love, and to love others as He has loved us. Follow Me invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. We plan on offering Revelation in fall 2019,

Lead By: Sarah Anderson

Cost: \$ 18.00

Location: Gathering Room 1

Time: 9:30am-11:00am

Day/Dates: Tuesdays, September 11, 18 & 25: October. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Presence: the Mystery of the Eucharist

Course Overview: What is it that is so special about the Eucharist? Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation.

Lead By: Deacon Peter Donnelly

Cost: \$7.00

Location: Café

Time: 6:30pm-8:30pm

Day/Dates: Tuesdays, September 18 & 25: October 2 & 10

All Hearts Afire - "One Thing Is Three"

Course Overview:

Lead By: Chris Schober, Linda Brennan and Sharon Sans

Cost: TBA

Location: Ministry Center 2

Time: 6:30-8:30pm

Day/Dates: Wednesdays ,September 12, 19 & 26: October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31: November 7, 14 & 21

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) Registration due by August 31, to Sister Shawn Czyzycki

Name _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail _____

Course(s) _____

\$ _____ Cash enclosed \$ _____ Check Enclosed Check Number # _____

Mass Schedule

Saturday, August 18

Vigil Masses

- 4:00 pm Norman C. Kreuz by Liz Ryan
Dr. Thomas A. Hassenfratz
by WNY Podiatry Society
- 5:30 pm Robert Flynn (birth)
by Mary Kate Vivacqua

Sunday, August 19 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Vincent P. Tricoli (anniv)
by Mrs. Theresa Tricoli & Children
- 9:30 am Frances Trippi by Militello & Mazza Families
Rose Hoelscher by Mike & Kathy Deakin
Charles Fellner by Marleah Close
Rose J. Ryan by Cindy & Rocky Kryzstof
Kozokiewicz & Sciolino Families
by Christine Balcerek
- 11:00 am Rae Florea by Bill Kilinskas
- 12:30 pm Anthony Murro
by William & Grace Gilmartin

Monday, August 20 – St. Bernard

- 7:00 am Parishioners of St. Gregory's
Rev. Robert D. Moss by Priests
of St. Gregory's
- 8:00 am Joan Gugliuzza by Family
- 12:00 pm Frank & Carol Weise (living) by Family
35th Wedding Anniversary
Emily Casey by Tom & Kate Casey

Tuesday, August 21 – St. Pius X

- 7:00 am Daniel Kirst by Rick & Beth Gerrish
Maria Byeck by Priests of St. Gregory's
- 8:00 am Generational Wounds in the Family
by DiStefano Family
- 12:00 pm Richard C. Vivacqua by Louise & Family
Robert Farrington
by Kathleen and Salvatore Balone

Wednesday, August 22 – The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00 am Joseph Giardina by Saturnino Family
- 8:00 am Father Dave Ciancimino (living)
by Devin Waring Family
Dr. Thomas A. Hassenfratz by Wife, Donna
- 12:00 pm Pasquale Vicari by Wife, Connie
& Children
Thomas Urbanski by Wife & Daughter

Thursday, August 23 – St. Rose of Lima

- 7:00 am Joseph & Helen Koch by Koch Family
- 8:00 am Gustina & Wittig Families
by Roger J. Wittig
Patricia Minervini by Friends of the Family
- 12:00 pm Iside Tiranno (anniv) by Joyce Santora
& Family
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Scarcella
by Frank Scarcella Family

Friday, August 24 - St. Bartholomew

- 7:00 am John & Joyce Ambrosoli by Estate
Andrew Varbanov by Edith Varbanov
- 8:00 am Mary Kolek Burns by James F. Moore
& Suzanne Ludwig Marquard
- 12:00 pm David Sorci
by Paul & Carolyn Romanowski
Francis O'Connor by Ladies of the Lord

Saturday, August 25

- 8:00 am Anastasia Kuhn (anniv) by Family
Betty Moran (living) by Mary Nigam

Vigil Masses

- 4:00 pm Henry & Lorraine Wojtowicz
by Gail Wojtowicz
Jerimiah F. Hickey & Margaret Simmons
by Mary Pat Ruthven
- 5:30 pm Patricia M. Kreppel
by Dave & Beth Courtney

Sunday, August 26 – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 am Ambrose & Helena Weber
by Walt & Mary Ann Weber
Juanita Schober
by Cindy & Joe McEachon
- 9:30 am Msgr. Paul Juenker by Family
of Dorothy Rebman
- 11:00 am Sebastiana T. Milane
by Cindy & Rocky Kryzstof
Rose Hoelcher by McEachon Family
- 12:30 pm Joseph Palka by Dennis & Sharon Miranda
- 1:30 pm Baptisms
- 4:30 pm Richard Romanowski by Estate
Nicolo & Calogera Milazzo & Family
by Maria Campanella

DECEASED

John Julicher
Anne D. Levine



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"The fruit of silence is PRAYER, the fruit of prayer is FAITH, the fruit of faith is LOVE, the fruit of love is SERVICE, the fruit of service is PEACE." (St. Teresa of Calcutta)

Adorers are needed for all times and days. Please call Kathy at 759-7149 or Barbara at 634-7478 with a time that is convenient for you, or for more information on Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at St. Gregory the Great.

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY

Every Thursday evening at 6:30 pm, a Respect Life Rosary is said at the Grotto. Perhaps you can leave a few minutes early for your 7:00 pm meeting - just 1/2 hour of your time. In case of rain, the Rosary is said in the Crying Room.

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Mass Schedule

SATURDAY: 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

SUNDAY: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am; 12:30 & 4:30 pm

HOLY DAYS: As listed in the Bulletin.

WEEKDAYS: (Monday-Friday) 7:00, 8:00 & 12:00 noon; (Saturday) 8:00 am only.

For those who are unable to join us, all Masses can be viewed via the Web at: www.stgregs.org

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Sacraments

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated the second and fourth Sundays after the 12:30 pm Mass - limit of six babies, ceremony only. All parents desiring Baptism for their child are asked to attend the Pre-Baptismal class at least two months prior to the Baptism. The class is held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, in the Ministry Center, Room 2. If you have had another child baptized within the last three years, you may attend the class or come to the Parish Office to complete the necessary paperwork. Call Jo at 688-5678 to register.

PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

First Fridays: 8:30-9:00 am; Saturdays: 2:30-3:45 pm, other times on request.

WEDDINGS

Celebrated on Fridays (5:00 pm and 6:30 pm) and on Saturdays (10:00 am, 12 noon, and 2:00 pm). Either the bride or the groom must be a parishioner.

Marriage Preparation – Engaged couples should call the Parish Office at least six months before their wedding to make an appointment with a priest.

MINISTRY TO SICK, HOSPITALIZED, AND SHUT-INS

Sick calls and emergencies – anytime day or night. Call 688-5678.

Please call the Parish Office to arrange to receive Holy Communion at home or to report the hospitalization of a parishioner.

Anointing of the Sick – This Sacrament is administered the first Saturday of each month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass.

Prayer and Devotion

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in our Adoration Chapel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. New adorers are always welcome. Scheduled adorers commit to one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament, most often with at least one prayer partner. If you cannot make your scheduled hour of adoration, please arrange for a substitute. If you require help, call your hourly captain. For information, call Kathy at 759-7149 or Barbara at 634-7478.

PRAYER

- The **Rosary** is prayed publicly at the following times:
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 am, Church; Monday-Friday, 12:30 pm, Church;
Saturday 12 noon, Grotto or Church (Rosary For Our Country)
- Pray the Saturday Rosary at your convenience with our recording online, which can be found at www.stgregs.org/mass-schedule
- **Lectio Divina (Word of God)** – Wednesdays, 9:00-10:00 am, Gathering Room 2.

Our Mission

St. Gregory the Great Parish, a large and diverse Faith Community, affirms the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and among us. We sustain our vitality through shared experiences of prayer, sacrament, liturgy, and service. We dedicate ourselves to being a vital part of the Church in the Diocese of Buffalo by maintaining and expanding our:

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