

# SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

PARISH COMMUNITY

LIVING THE GOSPEL . . .

~ IN FAITH

~ IN WORSHIP

~ IN SERVICE



*Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time August 25 & 26, 2018*

## From the Desk of Julie Gajewski

Dear St. Gregory the Great Parish Family,

As summer comes to an end and school approaches, I would like to thank everyone who has supported me in my first year as the new Principal of St. Gregory the Great School. As I reflect on this past year and prepare for our new beginnings at St. Gregory the Great School, I am most grateful for the community. It can sometimes be difficult to enter a new school community and I have felt welcomed and embraced by this Parish School. These are the feelings we wish to create as we embark on a new school year with new students and families, as well as continuing to develop strong relationships with our returning students and families. We are also very blessed to welcome several new staff members this fall. Each new staff member brings many gifts and talents to be shared with our students.

Another strength of this faith-filled and loving Parish School community is open collaboration and communication. It does truly take a village to educate children in today's society and we are truly blessed at St. Greg's to have a supportive Parish, Youth Ministry, Music Ministry, Family Faith Formation, School Board, Café, and store to name a few of the main ministries that support the school. I look forward to continuing to develop a shared vision in our Parish School to create students who learn, live, and lead as disciples of Christ.

This summer faculty, staff, administration, priests, and many more have been working to prepare for the new school year. As part of our summer reading all students K-8 read the book "Last Stop on Market Street" by Matt de la Pena. Having all students read the same picture book,

we hope to grow our school community to embrace and learn about common themes present in the book. **(Continued on page 2)**

## PARISH SOCIAL/ NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME

All parishioners, including new families, are invited to join us on September 9 for coffee, juice and donuts, after 9:30am Mass, in the Gathering Rooms. If you wish to join the parish, you may register at this time.

## CHRIST THE KING COLLECTION WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 8 & 9

The weekend of September 8 and 9 will be our annual collection to benefit Christ the King Seminary. There are many people ready to answer the call to ministry to meet the needs of today's church in our diocese; please help them by giving generously and remembering Christ the King in your prayers.

## School Office Hours

It's that time of year again; back to school! On Tuesday, September 5, the **School** will return to regular business hours of 7:00am - 3:00pm, Monday - Friday. The **Family Faith Formation** office will resume regular hours of 9:00am - 2:00pm, Monday - Friday.

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## LABOR DAY

All Parish Offices, the Catholic Store and Café will be closed Saturday through Monday, September 1-3, in observance of Labor Day. **There will be one Mass on Monday at 8:00 am.**

**MOMS: Coffee & Donuts**

"Come & See"



Learn more about the

**MOMS Ministry & Playgroup** at St. Greg's

"Come & See" weekend

August 25/26 AFTER ALL THE MASSES

**Free Coffee & Donuts**

**in the Gathering Rooms**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon. Aug. 27:** 2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Matthew 23:13-22

**Tues. Aug. 28:** 2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17; Matthew 23:23-26

**Wed. Aug. 29:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18; Mark 6:17-29

**Thurs. Aug. 30:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 24:42-51

**Fri. Aug. 31:** 1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Matthew 25:1-13

**Sat. Sept. 1:** 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 25:15-30

**Sun. Sept. 2:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 (125B); James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Christian marriage

**Reading I** Joshua 24:1-2, 15-17, 18 (reminder of the divine goodness)

**Reading II** Ephesians 5:21-32 (Christian wives and husbands)

**Gospel** John 6:60-69 (effect of the bread of life discourse)

**Key Passage** This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband. (Ephesians 5:32-33)

**Adult:** *In what way has the example of Christian marriage (your own or that of another couple) helped you understand the relationship between Christ and His church?*

**Child:** *What can you do for your family to show them Jesus' love and care?*

## VOCATION VIEW

After Jesus explained that His flesh and blood are true food and drink, by which eternal life is afforded all who eat and believe, there were many disciples who refused to believe and returned to their former ways of life. How is God asking you to bring reconciliation to those who have lost sight of His Eucharist? 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](http://www.buffalovocations.org)!

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## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Stand up, sit down, kneel; what is going on? Do Catholics really pray to statues? What does this have to do with Jesus?

Bring your toughest questions to Sessions of Inquiry for RCIA: September 19 at 7:00pm. For more information call Fr. Paul Cygan at [688-5678](tel:688-5678) x 336.

## (From the Desk of Julie Gajewski Continued from page 1)

The book is beautifully written and illustrated, and takes us on a bus trip with a grandma and her grandson. The book starts with grandma and her grandson leaving Mass and getting on a bus. Throughout the journey, the young boy witnesses kids his age riding in a car with headphones in and ipods in their hands -- something he does not have. He questions grandma about why he does not have those things. The story concludes with them getting off the bus and going to volunteer at a soup kitchen. One of the main themes is the importance of community and to have a grateful heart. We hope to build upon these themes to teach our students that comparison can be the thief of joy and to appreciate the beauty that surrounds you. One goal for our faculty and staff this year will be to focus on developing relationships with students. Our second main goal will be curriculum using the question: "What do we want students to learn?"

This is a very exciting time in education where we can work together as a community to teach students how to live as followers of Jesus and make good decisions. Please continue to pray for our school community as we work together to create a warm, loving, and inclusive environment where all families and parishioners are welcome. We will pray for our Parish community and continue to be grateful for your support of our amazing school.

God bless,  
Mrs. Julie

## GRIEF & LOSS BEREAVEMENT MEETING

You are invited to join us for the next Grief & Loss meeting on Wednesday, September 5, at 6:30 pm in Gathering Room 1. Our topic is "*The Physical & Emotional Effects of Grief & Loss.*" All are welcome - you do not need to be a parishioner. This presentation will offer insight on how our God is present to us in the midst of our pain.

## FALL MUM SALE

St. Gregory's 8th Graders will be selling beautiful fall mums (10" pots) after Masses on September 15 and 16. The mums are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Beautify your yard and help the students raise money for their 8th Grade class trip. Stay tuned to future Bulletins for order forms.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:stgregsmoms@gmail.com)



**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. 15<sup>th</sup>.

\_\_\_\_ 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.

**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.

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**Senior Citizens**

**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 10 - 1:00 pm** - Monthly meeting at the Ministry Center with membership tea and installation of officers. Please bring finger foods for the tea. Membership dues for 2019 are due.

**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.**

## WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

PRESENTS

"LET THE SPIRIT SET YOU FREE"

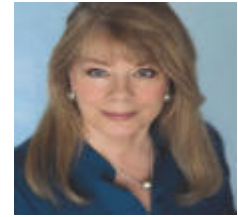
A WOMEN'S DAY OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

AT 10 :00 AM

St. Gregory the Great Ministry Center

***....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 & Joanah 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 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## **HOUSE FOR HAITI**

**Update: House/ Food For The Poor, Goal Reached....and then some!!**

The Lord is not outdone in His generosity nor are the parishioners of St. Gregory's! Acts 20:35 says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." In 5 days we had enough to buy one house for the poor, in 13 days we had enough for 2 and in 20 days we had enough for 3 houses for the poor, giving it a "Trinitarian" flavor of charity! Fr. Gus Gordon said that a generous giver in South America will match each gift for a home and that means SIX houses will be built for poor families. Anything left over will go towards food, farm animals, school supplies and needs for the poor of Haiti. I would like to thank ALL our parishioners, friends and ministries that supported this endeavor with their generosity. Matt: 25:40 " ....Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers, so you did for Me." May God richly bless all you generous givers and your families.

## **Parenting Perspective**

The kind of adults my children are now is directly related to the kind of children I continually told them they were.

## **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!

## **Marriage Moment**

Two questions to consider when you disagree with your beloved: 1. Tell me about what you are seeing that you think I might be missing. 2. What are you most concerned about or worried might happen?

## **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.



## Respect Life

**On Families:** “Family life is a sacrifice but a beautiful sacrifice. ...Love in marriage is a challenge for the man and for the woman. ...It is not easy to raise children. ...

But it is important to educate them about community, educate them about family life. Teach them about making sacrifices for one another.

“The difficulties are major. [But] the family is an adventure, a beautiful adventure! And today — I say this with heart-ache — we see that so often one thinks about starting a family and getting married as if it were a lottery: ‘Let’s go. If it works, it works. If it doesn’t work, we cancel the matter and start over’. This is a superficiality about the greatest gift God has given to humanity: the family. Because, after the account of the creation of man, God shows that He created man and woman in His image and likeness. And when Jesus Himself talks about marriage, He says: ‘A man shall leave his father and mother and with his wife shall become one flesh.’ Because they are the image and likeness of God. You are the icon of God: the family is the icon of God. Man and woman are the very image of God. He said so, I am not saying it. And this is great; it is sacred.

“Then today — it hurts to say it — we speak of ‘diversified’ families: different types of family. Yes, it is true that the word ‘family’ is an analogical term, because it refers to the ‘family’ of stars, to ‘families’ of trees, to ‘families’ of animals ... it is an analogical term. But the human family as the image of God, man and woman, is one alone. It is one alone.” —Pope Francis, *Address to Delegation of the Forum of Family Associations*, 6/16/18

### **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).

## Parish Activity Calendar

### **Sunday, August 26**

10:30 am **MOMS Coffee & Donuts “Come & See”**  
(GR 1 & 2)

### **Monday, August 27**

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (MC 2)

### **Tuesday, August 28**

10:00 am New Student Orientation (School Cafeteria)

6:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church Crying Room)

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

### **Wednesday, August 29**

7:30 am School Meeting

8:00 am School Staff Development (Church/School)

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry (MC Gym)

1:00 pm School Summer Lessons (MC Gym)

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Open House (MC Café)

### **Thursday, August 30**

7:30 am School Meeting (GR 1 & 2)

7:00 pm Youth Ministry High School Hangout

(MC Gym, Basement, Front Lawn)

### **Friday, August 31**

### **Saturday, September 1**

### **Sunday, September 2**

## BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

We will be doing a “blessing of backpacks” for the school children on Sunday, September 9 at the 9:30 am Mass. As we begin our new school year we invite you to join us for this special event..



## 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 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 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 (exception 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.” Is61:10 Due to the length and depth of this book, we will complete the first seven lessons Sept. 10 to Oct.29. (Recess for Thanksgiving and Christmas). Resume January 7 to February 25. Come join us for a beautiful spiritual adventure.

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

**Location:** Ministry Center #2 **Cost:** \$15

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

**Dates:** September 10 to October 29. (Recess for Thanksgiving and Christmas).

Resume January 7 to February 25

## 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/](http://www.stgregs.org/register-now/)



Our Little Cherubs (PreK) being so adorable. Be sure to register your little ones if you haven't already. Classes start the week of September 10!

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## Gathering Around Christ

As the center of faith formation for our diocese, the Seminary helps students of all ages and backgrounds grow faithfully in Christ in order to serve God as seminarians, priests, deacons, lay ministers, volunteers, and more. Over 680 alumni are currently ministering in our diocese. Over 100 students, including 40 seminarians, are preparing to join them. The annual appeal for Christ the King Seminary will take place at our church in two weeks. Please show your support for the mission of Christ the King by praying for those preparing for ministry at our Seminary and by giving generously to the annual appeal. Your prayers and your gift to Christ the King help to ensure the future of the church in our area. For more information about our Seminary's mission or programs, or to give online, go to [www.cks.edu](http://www.cks.edu).

## Out Of Parish

### Christ the King Seminary

A fall retreat will be offered at the Seminary. The retreat, entitled, "*Finding Our Center in God*", will be held from October 3 to October 6. Please contact Gayle at 805-1438 or visit [cks.edu](http://cks.edu) for more information.

### Christ the Teacher Conference

The second conference with Dr. David Anders will be held at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Shrine on Genesee Street in Bowmansville, on October 13. Dr. Anders can be heard on 101.7 FM Catholic radio weekdays at 2:00 pm. For information/tickets, visit [www.SacredHeartShrine.org](http://www.SacredHeartShrine.org) or call 717-683-2375.

# St. Gregory the Great

Sunday,  
**September 23**

12 noon-4:00 pm  
in the  
Ministry Center



## Family Bills Day

Raffle Drawing  
50/50

CHIAVETTA'S  
Barbeque Take-Out

Beer • Water • Soda  
Chiavetta's BBQ  
available for purchase

Watch the

**Buffalo Bills**  
vs.  
Minnesota  
Vikings

Admission is **FREE!**

\*Must be 21 or older to purchase beer. Proceeds to benefit St. Gregory the Great. Sponsored by Family Faith Formation.

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## Follow St. Greg's on Social Media



- Like us on Facebook at St. Gregory the Great
- Follow us on Twitter @StGregsBuffalo
- Download the St. Greg's Mobile App. Search St. Gregory the Great and enjoy daily spiritual quotes.



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## 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 Grades 2 & 3.

**Wednesdays** (4:30 pm - 5:45 pm): We need a Catechist for Grades 2.

**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.

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

**Session C** (Thursday 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm): Need a Catechists for Grade 7 and 9.

## Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Adam Jarosz: [ajarosz@stgregs.org](mailto:ajarosz@stgregs.org); Nicole Janeczek: [njaneczek@stgregs.org](mailto:njaneczek@stgregs.org); Richard Patti: [rpatti@stgregs.org](mailto:rpatti@stgregs.org) ~ 688-3578

**Middle School:** Visit [stgregsym.org](http://stgregsym.org) for more information!

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

**High School:** Visit [stgregsym.org](http://stgregsym.org) for more information!

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.

### College

**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!

## "SPIRITUAL SPINS & GRINS" From Father Francis

There was a man who heard that three-fourths of all accidents happened within ten miles of home. So he moved.



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

General Auction Meeting

Thursday, September 13, at 9:00 am, upstairs in the Ministry Center 3C

Car Raffle tickets will be sold starting in September and October after some select weekend Masses and will be available in the Parish Office. Tickets are \$20. Win \$10,000 towards the car of your choice from our select Family of dealerships or \$8,000 cash! Ticket will be drawn at the Great Dinner Auction. St. Gregory's family of Dealerships includes Joe Basil Chevrolet, Mike Smith GMC, Dave Smith Ford, Northtown, Mike Basil Toyota and Transitowne.

### Join our Virtual Gift Gathering Party

*Go to Amazon.com and under bridal registry search for St. Gregory the Great. See all the great items you can donate to the Auction and they will be delivered right to the church.*

### Volunteers Needed!

Youth and Adults Volunteers: If you would like to help out selling car raffle tickets in September or October after weekend Masses or the Auction, please contact Katie Hufnagel at [mckm6174@yahoo.com](mailto:mckm6174@yahoo.com).

If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Reitebach, St. Gregory's Auction Coordinator at 688-5678 x 337 or [dinnerauction@gmail.com](mailto:dinnerauction@gmail.com).



## Download the St. Gregory the Great Mobile App!!!



Take St. Gregory's wherever you go. The mobile app provides you with daily readings, the weekly Bulletin and over 40 different prayers! We will also send you inspirational thoughts and messages every day.

To download the app follow these simple steps:

- 1) Visit the App Store or Play Store
- 2) Search "St. Gregory the Great"
- 3) Download the mobile app!

## JOIN THE PARISH

If you are recently married and live in our area, we invite you to join our parish. Contact the Parish Office at (716) 688-5678 to register.

## 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:** Foreign Language Room

**Time:** 6:30 -8:30 pm

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

### *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:** Foreign Language Room

**Time:** 6:30pm-8:30pm

**Day/Dates:** Tuesdays, September 25: October 2 , 9, & 16

### *All Hearts Afire : Wisdom and Works of Mercy*

**Course Overview:** : A study by Fr. Michael Gaitley that gives insight into the relevance of the Trinity in our daily lives, how the Trinity illuminates every aspect of our faith, and how knowing and loving our Triune God allows us to live our faith to the fullest. The 10 week course uses a workbook and the books "The One Thing is Three" and "You Did it to Me."

**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

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Course( s) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Mass Schedule

### **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 Krysztof  
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

### **Monday, August 27 – St. Monica**

7:00 am Parishioners of St. Gregory's

8:00 am John Gehl by Mark & Narvada Compton  
Donald Harter by St. Gregory's  
Men's Golf League

12:00 pm Vincent Dentico by Victor Liberatore  
& Bueme Families  
Anthony Vetrano by Senior Organization  
of St. Gregory's

### **Tuesday, August 28 – St. Augustine**

7:00 am Veronica Menezes by Alison Sastry  
John McKenna  
by Mark & Catherine Higgins

8:00 am Rev. David Richards(living) by Friend

12:00 pm Carmelina Salandra (anniv) by Husband, Al  
Catherine Laski by Sharing the Joy  
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### **Wednesday, August 29 – Passover of St. John the Baptist**

7:00 am Alfred and Josephine Caldiero by Children  
Valerie Garrison by Mom

8:00 am Joan Gugliuzza by Family

12:00 pm F. Robert Danni (anniv) by Wife & Family  
Jean Lee by JoAnn & Roy Schlienzy  
& Family

### **Thursday, August 30**

7:00 am Claudia Woodrich  
by Dean & Nancy Woodrich

8:00 am Joan Quigley by Cynthia Parrott  
Carrie Madonia by Bova Family

12:00 pm Rosario Contella by Richard Bene  
Marquerite Sammarco (living)  
by Nancy Stempien

### **Friday, August 31**

7:00 am John & Joyce Ambrosoli by Estate

8:00 am Patricia Muffaletto by Family  
David M. Sorci by Walt & Mary Ann Weber

12:00 pm Richard Hertel II by Jeanne Hertel  
Jennifer Wilson by Santercole Family

### **Saturday, September 1**

8:00 am Richard Siedlikowski  
by Mary & Beverly Sikora  
Fern Styer by Diane & Don Luce

#### **Vigil Masses**

4:00 pm Jennifer Wilson by John & Marcy Denzak  
Rev. John P. Bucki, S.J.  
by Carl & Deborah Bucki

5:30 pm Jim & Louise McPartlan by Family

### **September 2 – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Gloria Lynch by Friends & Family

9:30 am Dianne Becht Lo (birth)  
by Rosemary Spano  
Michael & Mary Cirelli by Family  
& Friends

11:00 am Evelyn Howard by Robert Rauh Family  
John & Victoria Mruk (birth)  
by Norbert Mruk Family

12:30 pm Ronald Santora by Children  
& Grandchildren  
Peter Hartmann by Widmer Family  
Baptisms

1:45pm

4:30 pm Ava Bartfay-Szabo by Shanahan Family

### **DECEASED**

Tracy Rogers  
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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](http://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.

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

## Prayer and Devotion

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### PRAYER

- The **Rosary** is prayed publicly at the following times:  
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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](http://www.stgregs.org/mass-schedule)
- **Lectio Divina (Word of God)** – Wednesdays, 9:00-10:00 am, Gathering Room 2.

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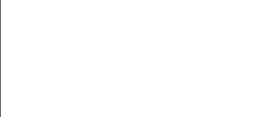
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