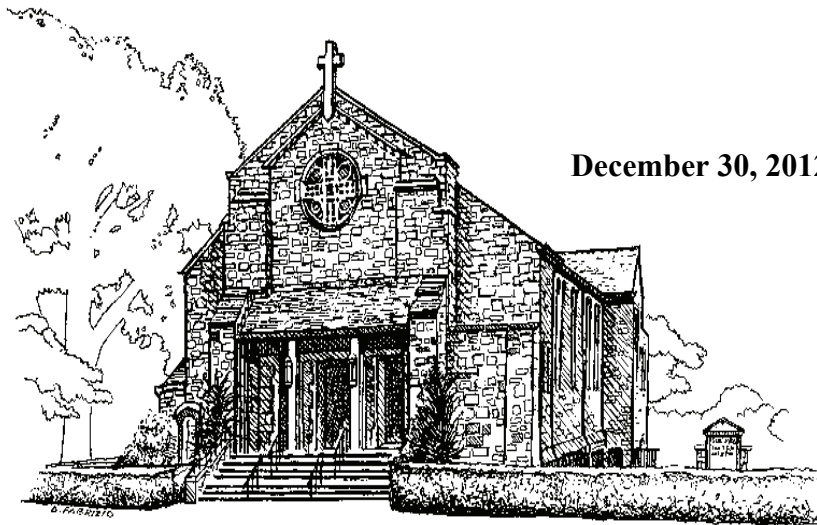


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December 30, 2012

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Mass Schedule

Masses for Sunday

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,
& 5:00 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday to Friday: 6:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Holy Days

7:30 p.m. (eve), 6:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon,
7:30 p.m.

Devotions to Our Lady

Novena

Monday at 9:30 a.m.

Baptism

Celebrated every Sunday at 1:00 p.m. Please call the Parish House to make an appointment for Pre-Baptismal instructions.

Penance

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:55 p.m.

Day Before a Holy Day: 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.

All Other Times: On Request

Matrimony

The engaged couple is to inform the Parish priest usually one year prior to the celebration. A marriage preparation program is required.

Religious Education Program

Grades 3 & 4 Monday 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Grades 5 & 6 Tuesday 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Grades 7 & 8 Wednesday 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Grades 1 & 2 Thursday 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Meetings

Parish Council: Third Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Lower Church Hall.

Finance Committee: Meets periodically.

Rosary Altar Society: First Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. for the Rosary, and 8:00 p.m. meeting.

Legion of Mary: Meets every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Folk Group: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays - 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

St. Gregory's Choir: Sundays, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass

RCIA: Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m.

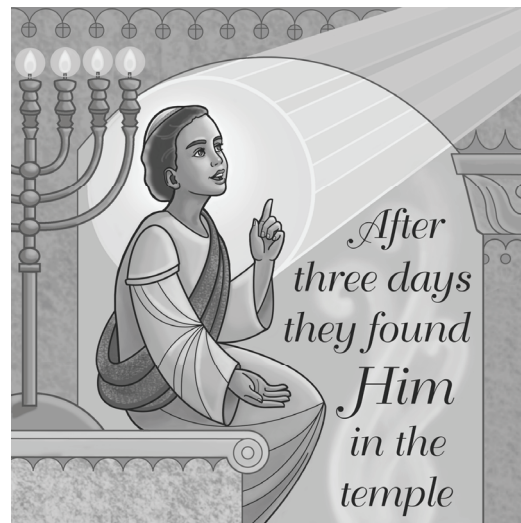
Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Youth Ministry: Sundays at 7:00 p.m.

Respect Life: Second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
December 30, 2012
Mass Intentions

SAT. 12/29	5:00 p.m.	RALPH TANCREDI
SUN. 12/30	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	ANN & MICHAEL HALLORAN
	10:00 a.m.	DENISE VETERE
	11:30 a.m.	JOHANNES SCHIRMER
	5:00 p.m.	FRED S. TORTELLO
MON. 12/31	6:45 a.m.	MSGR. JOSEPH RAIMONDO
	9:00 a.m.	JOHN MC GILLICUDDY
	5:00 p.m.	IN THANKSGIVING
TUES. 1/1/13	7:00 a.m.	ENRICO DELZIO
	9:00 a.m.	PASQUALE & PASQUALINA D'ANTONA
	12:00 p.m.	PASQUA CANTONE
	5:00 p.m.	MARGHERITE LATRONICA
WED. 1/2	6:45 a.m.	JOHN MC GILLICUDDY
	9:00 a.m.	FRANK DI GIACOMO
THU. 1/3	6:45 a.m.	THOMAS F. MC GEE
	9:00 a.m.	ANNA SANDI
FRI. 1/4	6:45 a.m.	ANTONIO MASTROGIACOMO
	9:00 a.m.	D'IMPERIO FAMILY
SAT. 1/5	9:00 a.m.	JACK & ROSE BISCEGLIA
	5:00 p.m.	RAYMOND SERGEL
SUN. 1/6	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	SANDI & JOHN LONGHI
	10:00 a.m.	DOMENICO DI MARCO
	11:30 a.m.	ALFRED CITRONE
	5:00 p.m.	ANTONIO CUROVIC, JR.



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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: is offered each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are welcome!

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY: The Rosary is prayed in the Church from Tuesday to Saturday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Each Monday morning after the 9:00 Mass, a novena is held in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. The Rosary is prayed following the novena.

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD Tuesday, January 1, 2013 is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses on Tuesday will be at 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon and 5:00 p.m. The Vigil Mass for the Holy Day will be on Monday, December 31st at 5:00 p.m.

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH NEW WEB SITE Our new Web Site can be found at www.stgregorythegreatharrison.com (listed on the front cover of the bulletin). Please be sure to visit us on the Web often for updated information as well as all Mass schedules, phone numbers and pertinent information regarding our societies and all upcoming activities.

FINANCIAL CORNER: The average weekly church expenses are \$12,168.00. Our Sunday collection for Sunday, December 16th, was \$6,840.00. December 23rd and Christmas Day will be posted at a later date. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

REMEMBER YOUR PARISH IN YOUR ESTATE PLAN

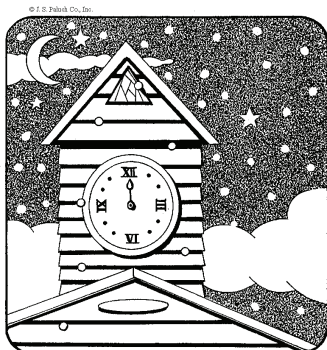
Remember St. Gregory the Great Parish in your estate plan. If you would like to speak to a gift planning specialist about how to include St. Gregory the Great Church in your will or living trust, call (646) 794-3317 or email gift.planning@archny.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS/YOUNG ADULTS

RCIA is a process of spiritual conversion and growth, over time, in one's relationship with God and the Church. It is a faith journey where adults and young adults are fully welcomed into the Catholic Church. Our gatherings take place at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Parish House, 189 Fremont St. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist; need to complete your initiation as a Catholic through Communion and/or Confirmation; or desire to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church from another faith denomination, **WE WELCOME YOU!** For information, contact St. Gregory's Parish Office at 835-0677

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joan Anixt, Vito Arace, Douglas Arnold, Clara Biehl, Frances Bodycott, Theresa Butler, Silvio Catalano, Matthew Coulter, Mary Crescenzi, John Curtin, Louise Devine, Donna DiMaggio, Barrett Dorn, Jerry Flanagan, Dolly Mae, Sabrina Marciante, Mark O'Donnell, Antoinette Rolandi, George Russell, Maria Sisca, Carmine Spedalieri, Lee Ann Thomas, Marie Thompson, Monica Toro, Margaret Valeri, Peter Valeri, Eddie Vidal—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.



Happy New Year

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist this week have been donated in memory of Denise Vetere and have been requested by Friends of Mildred Gregorio.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Fred S. Tortello and have been requested by his wife and daughters.

The Altar Flowers this week have been donated in memory of Dr. Concetta Tina Marone and have been requested by her sister, Gloria Marone.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Denise Vetere and have been requested by Friends of Mildred Gregorio.

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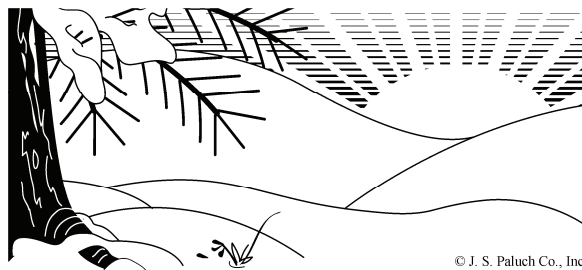


Pilar Torres
Anna Beers
Anne G. Cacchione



We
welcome into the St. Gregory the Great Family through the
waters of Baptism

Kellan Robinson Kohlasch
Child of Keith Tyler and Liane Kohlasch



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*Beloved, we are God's children now;
what we shall be has not yet been revealed.
— 1 John 3:2a*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Hannah conceived, and at the end of her term bore a son whom she called Samuel (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) or *Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14*.

Psalm — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord (Psalm 84) or *Psalm 128*.

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2, 21-24) or *Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]*.

Gospel — The boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. They found him in the temple, in the midst of the teachers (Luke 2:41-52).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
Tuesday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Friday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Saturday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Monday: Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve
Tuesday: The Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day
Wednesday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Friday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton; First Friday
Saturday: St. John Neumann; First Saturday

Did Jesus have siblings?

Dear Padre,

In Mark 6:3, someone says of Jesus, "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" I'm so confused. Why no mention of Joseph, and since when did Jesus have brothers and sisters?

Susan

Dear Susan,

In Mark 6:3 Jesus teaches in the synagogue at Nazareth. The astounded townspeople recall Jesus' origins and ask where he gained all this wisdom.

This is one of two times in Mark's Gospel where Jesus' mother is mentioned with no reference to Joseph. Because the people of Jesus' time would ordinarily identify a son in relation to his father, many Scripture scholars conclude that at this point, Joseph had died.

As for Jesus' "brothers" and "sisters," Mark 6:3 isn't the only place in the Bible that uses those terms. Others include Matthew 12:46 ("his brothers appeared outside, wishing to speak with him") and John 2:12 ("He and...his) brothers, and his disciples went down to Capernaum"). It was customary in Jesus' day to identify cousins as brothers and sisters; in a later chapter, Mark identifies James and Joses as having a different mother (15:40).

So Jesus had no brothers and sisters in the sense you're asking about. The Holy Family consisted only of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.

Fr. William Anderson

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THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEW EVANGELIZATION



Please join us on January 14th for our fourth showing in the film series, "Catholicism—The Journey of a Lifetime", by Father Robert Barron. In this episode, Fr. Barron masterfully correlates the Catholic Faith's testimony to the revelation of God in Christ with the vivid practices of reverence offered to his Mother, Mary.

Upcoming Schedule—Monday at 7:30 p.m.

January 14 Episode IV: "Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast: Mary, The Mother of God"
February 11 Episode V: "The Indispensable Men: Peter, Paul and the Missionary Adventure"
March 11 Episode VI: "A Body Both Suffering and Glorious"
April 8 Episode VII: "Word Made Flesh, True Bread of Heaven: The Mystery of the Liturgy and the Eucharist"