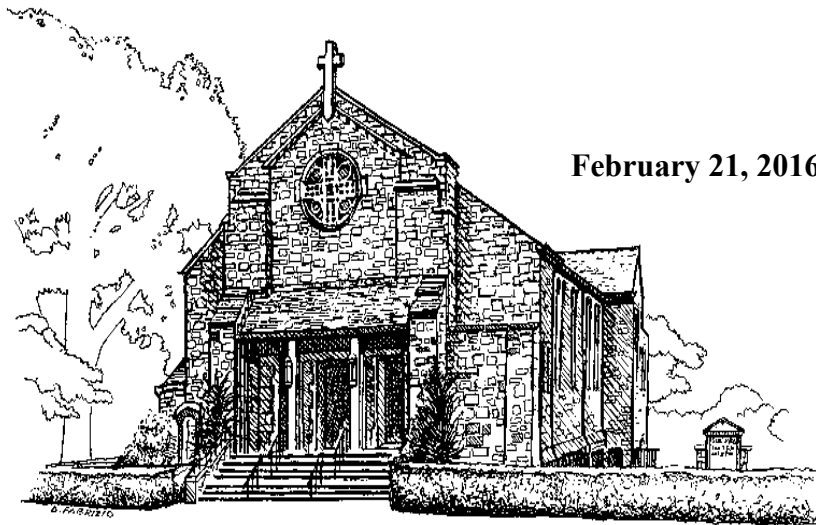


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February 21, 2016

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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 Rectory to make an appointment for Pre-Baptismal information

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 5 & 6 Tuesday 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Grades 3 & 4 Wednesday 3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Grades 7 & 8 Wednesday 7:00 - 8:15 p.m.

Grades 1 & 2 Thursday 2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Meetings

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

Finance Committee: Meets periodically.

Rosary Altar Society: First Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. for the Rosary, and 7:30 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: Thursdays - 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

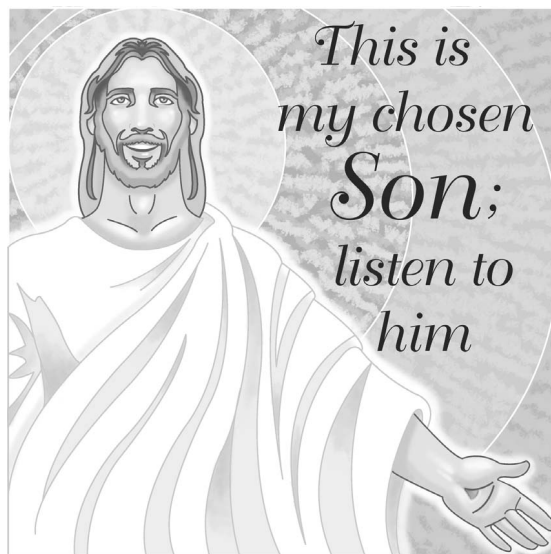
RCIA: Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

February 21, 2016
Second Sunday of Lent
Mass Intentions

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| SAT. 2/20 | 5:00 p.m. | GEORGE BAADEN & TINA & JOHN MAZZA |
| SUN. 2/21 | 7:00 a.m. | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY |
| | 8:30 a.m. | ROBET SHERMAN |
| | 10:00 a.m. | JOSEPHINE & STEVEN PETRERA |
| | 11:30 a.m. | MICHAEL BATTIPAGLIA |
| | 5:00 p.m. | LENA ROSCIA |
| MON. 2/22 | 6:45 a.m. | ROSA CRISTIANA & ARNE LIE |
| | 9:00 a.m. | EDITH & ANTHONY GIORDANO |
| TUES. 2/23 | 6:45 a.m. | HELEN OLIVA |
| | 9:00 a.m. | VIRGINIA DECEA |
| WED. 2/24 | 6:45 a.m. | SUSAN LYNCH |
| | 9:00 a.m. | ANGELA & GERARDO CARINO |
| THU. 2/25 | 6:45 a.m. | FR. JAMES P. FLYNN |
| | 9:00 a.m. | FRANK VITRO |
| FRI. 2/26 | 6:45 a.m. | JAMES FORREST |
| | 9:00 a.m. | FRANCES & VITO FAGA |
| SAT. 2/27 | 9:00 a.m. | RALPH MILANO |
| | 5:00 p.m. | TILLIE LOMBARDI |
| SUN. 2/28 | 7:00 a.m. | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY |
| | 8:30 a.m. | GIUSEPPE & ANTONIETTA MIELE |
| | 10:00 a.m. | LOUIS F. MUOLLO |
| | 11:30 a.m. | LUISA PLUMEY MARIEN |
| | 5:00 p.m. | SALVATORE MASTROGIACOMO |



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

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY The Rosary is prayed in the Church from Tuesday to Saturday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and also on Sunday, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Each Monday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, a novena is held in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. The Rosary is prayed following the novena.

PARISH MISSION Our Parish Mission will take place on Monday, February 22, Tuesday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00 p.m. in St. Gregory the Great Church. Our speaker will be Fr. Ray Donaldson, S.J. from the Jesuit Community at Fordham University, who will speak on the Pope's latest document on God's Mercy.

2016 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL The 2016 Cardinal's Appeal is in its final stages in our parish. Next weekend is Commitment Weekend. At all Masses, you will have an opportunity to make your commitment to the Appeal. As children of Christ, we are called to serve others out of gratitude to our most generous God. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2016 Appeal. To make an online gift, visit www.cardinalsappeal.org. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, February 14, 2016 was \$6,025.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

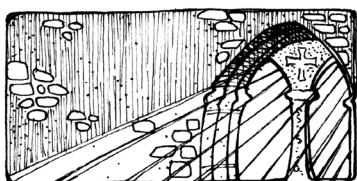
LENTEN VESPERS We will have Vespers sung before the 5:00 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:30 p.m. all Saturdays during Lent. Vespers are the evening prayer of the church and consist of psalms and prayers. All are invited to attend. Vespers would be a good way to prepare for Easter. The Vesper ceremony lasts about 20 minutes.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday during lent at 7:00 p.m.

FREE LECTURE Sunday, February 28, 2016 from 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. at the Maryknoll Mission Center, 55 Ryder Road, Ossining, NY 10562. For information: Maryknollspeakersseries@maryknoll.org or 914-941-7636, ext. 2445. Sean McDonagh will speak on 'Laudato Si' - A Prophetic Challenge for the 21st Century.

LIFE CHAIN Please join us on Sunday, February 21, 2016, in this peaceful, prayerful presence for unborn babies and their Mothers at Kohl's Plaza, Port Chester, New York from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Respect Life Ministry, Corpus-Christi-Holy Rosary Parish, Port Chester, New York.

ALUMNI SEARCH Did you attend Cathedral College or Cathedral Prep Seminary in the Archdiocese of NY? If you attended Cathedral College or Cathedral Prep (or know someone who did), the College/Prep Alumni Association would like to add you to its mailing list. You will then receive notifications of upcoming alumni events such as memorial masses, class reunions, etc. Our current mailing list includes over 600 names. To register, please go online to: <http://bit.do/cccpaa>;



Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Thomas Liantonio and have been requested by Mary Corrado.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Dylan Cipolla and have been requested by Antoinette and Paul De Pippo.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of the Marone Family and have been requested by Gloria Marone.

In Memory



The parish community of St. Gregory the Great extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones on their loss

Andre A. Faup



Jaxon Hunter Williams
Child of Gary and Samantha Williams

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joan Anixt, Marianne Yusi Barber, Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Carmelita Briotte, Sue Burger, Silvio Catalano, Adrian and Marisa Colon, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, Camdon Joseph, Mary Gill, Caterina Labrosciano, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marciante, Angela Margotti, Stephanie Merenda, Jacqueline C. Noonan, Joanne Opava, Mary O'Sullivan, Raymond Recchia, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Marie Thomson, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Concetta Vasile, Elizabeth West, Gregory Westfall, Donna Williams, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, “To your descendants I give this land” (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

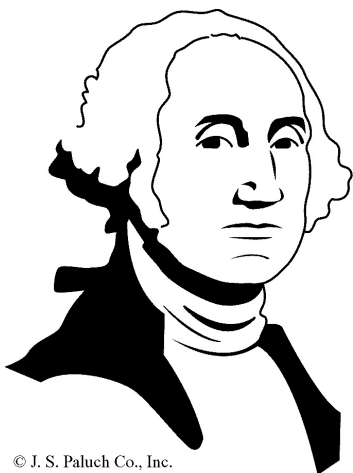
Gospel — Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent
Monday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;
Washington's Birthday
Tuesday: St. Polycarp
Friday: Abstinence



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Can anyone practice contemplative prayer?

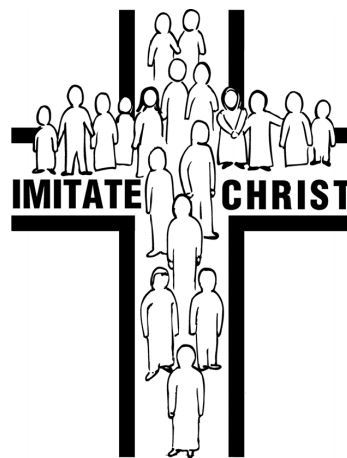
Is contemplative prayer just for monks and other religious people, or can anyone practice it?

Saint Teresa of Avila, a great mystical saint and doctor of the Church, said, “Mental prayer is nothing else, in my opinion, but being on terms of friendship with God, frequently conversing in secret with Him who, we know, loves us” (The Life of St. Teresa of Avila, chapter VIII). By no means is contemplative prayer reserved only for professional religious men and women. Rather, it's open to all people from all walks of life. While we each may have our own individual and/or family prayer habits and preferences, I can think of no better practice for this Lenten season.

Contemplative prayer differs from other forms of meditative prayer because of its intensity, but like all forms of prayer and meditation, in it we seek the person and presence of Jesus. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, “Contemplative prayer is the simple expression of the mystery of prayer. It is a gaze of faith fixed on Jesus, an attentiveness to the Word of God, a silent love. It achieves real union with the prayer of Christ to the extent that it makes us share in his mystery” (CCC2724).

If you need help getting started, approach your pastor, spiritual director, or another Catholic minister who is familiar with meditative prayer. He or she can guide you and/or direct you to the best resources available.

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