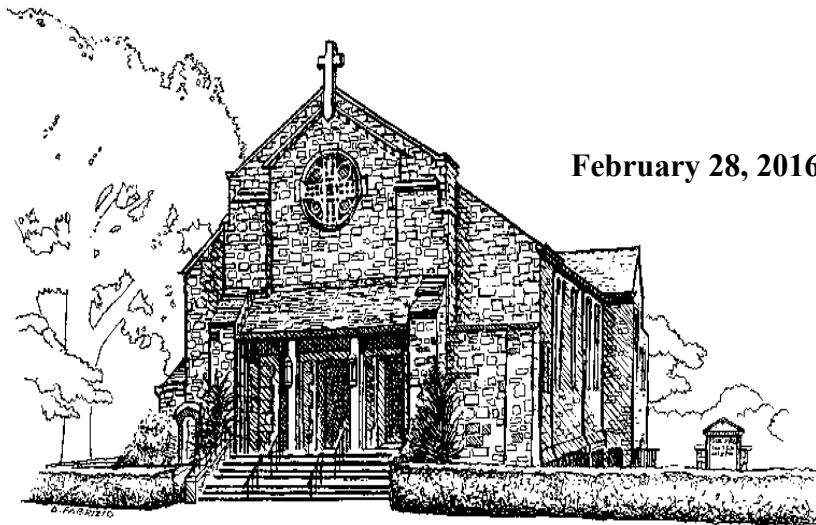


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February 28, 2016

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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

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| 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 28, 2016
Third Sunday of Lent
Mass Intentions

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| SAT. 2/27 | 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 |
| MON. 2/29 | 6:45 a.m. | WALTER RUCINSKI |
| | 9:00 a.m. | JOHN DE FONCE |
| TUES. 3/1 | 6:45 a.m. | FR. JAMES P. FLYNN |
| | 9:00 a.m. | CAROL METZ STANCS |
| WED. 3/2 | 6:45 a.m. | SPECIAL INTENTION |
| | 9:00 a.m. | ROSALIE MAIETTA |
| THU. 3/3 | 6:45 a.m. | ANGELA DE FONCE |
| | 9:00 a.m. | MICHELE AMATRUDA |
| FRI. 3/4 | 6:45 a.m. | WALTER FRANCIS ROGERS |
| | 9:00 a.m. | AQUILINO & LUCIA TAVOLETTI |
| SAT. 3/5 | 9:00 a.m. | LOUISE DI BICCARI |
| | 5:00 p.m. | FRANCESCO COSENTINO |
| SUN. 3/6 | 7:00 a.m. | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY |
| | 8:30 a.m. | VICKI CONDRIO |
| | 10:00 a.m. | BILL HAMMEL |
| | 11:30 a.m. | ROCCO SCHEPIS |
| | 5:00 p.m. | AL CORCILLO |



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2016 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL Our parishes are the lifeblood of the archdiocese. The Cardinal's Appeal supports our spiritual homes during times when they cannot support themselves. Funds raised by the Cardinal's Appeal contributed to almost 50% of all money allocated for parishes in need last year. Your gift helps tend to the spiritual needs of our Catholic Communities. 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

SPRING MUSICAL Kennedy Catholic High School proudly presents Cinderella on Thursday, March 3, Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday, March 6 at 3:00 p.m. All seats - \$15. At the door: \$20. For information call: 914-232-5061, ext. 226 or email: players@kennedycatholic.org. Kennedy Catholic High School, 54 Route 138, Somers, NY.

LENTEN PRAYER AND SACRED MUSIC The Music Ministries of St. Joseph's Church will present A Lenten Evening of Prayer and Sacred Music on Thursday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Church, 95 Plum Brook Road, Somers, NY. Contemporary Ensemble, Guest Soloists and instruments. For more information, call 914-318-3268 or email treasurehousemusic@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, February 21, 2016 was \$9,606.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

PARISH MASS FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK A special Mass for the Anointing of the Sick will take place on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Sign up sheets and a box to put the tear off portion in will be in the rear of the Church next week.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK The Catholic Church teaches that the sacred anointing of the sick is one of the seven sacraments of the New Testament instituted by Christ. It is a sacrament of faith, a sacrament of the sick and a sacrament of the living. James, the Apostle, gives us the following description: "Is there anyone sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the Church, and let them pray over him and anoint him in the name of the Lord. This prayer, made in faith, will save the sick man. The Lord will restore his health, and if he has committed any sins, they will be forgiven. (Js:5,14-15).

SACRAMENT OF FAITH The celebration of the anointing is made up of the prayer of the faith, the laying on of hands by the priest and the anointing with oil made holy by God's blessing. No one should be afraid to receive it since the sacrament is a source of hope and comfort to those who are ill. Family and friends are encouraged to participate in this faith filled sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK Anyone with a serious illness or undergoing major surgery, the elderly in a weakened condition or a child with a serious condition and old enough to understand the comfort of the sacrament may request the anointing. It may be repeated at a future date should need arise.

SACRAMENT OF THE LIVING To refer to the sacrament as "The Last Rites" is misleading. It is a sacrament also meant for the living so that they may be raised up and saved according to God's will. The goal of the sacrament is a deeper spiritual and physical wholeness and wellbeing brought about through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Nancy Milkman and have been requested by Peter, Lily and Joseph Teller.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Dr. Anthony Marone and have been requested by Gloria Marone and Joan Anixt.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Nancy Milkman and have been requested by the Damsels in Red Hat Ladies.

In Memory



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

Steven Perry



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

Alyssa Maribel Almodovar
Child of Lisa and Carlos Almodovar
Rocco Joseph DeCunzo
Child of Elena and Michael DeCunzo
Lana Rose Natole
Child of Laura R. Gregory and Anthony C. Natole

Alessia Velletri
Child of Cheryl and Piero Velletri



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD God appears to Moses and directs him to go and deliver the Israelites from Egypt (Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15) *or* Exodus 17:3-7.

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103) *or* Psalm 95.

Second Reading — We are not to grumble like the people with Moses in the desert (1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12) *or* Romans 5:1-2, 5-8.

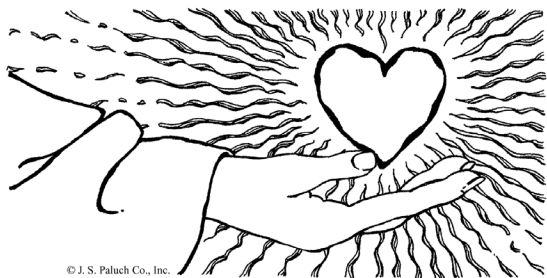
Gospel — If you do not repent, you will all perish (Luke 13:1-9) *or* John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42].

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Alternate readings (Year A):
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41
[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent
Thursday: St. Katharine Drexel
Friday: St. Casimir; World Day of Prayer;
First Friday; Abstinence
Saturday: First Saturday



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Can we donate our bodies or have them cremated?

Can I donate my body to science after death? What about cremation?

Some find Catholic funerals odd. We sprinkle the deceased with holy water and bless the body with incense. We pray over burial sites and put a white cloth over the caskets. If a person is dead, why do we care about the “empty shell?”

Many Christians think God is only concerned with our souls, but Scripture has a surprising amount of teaching on the sacredness of the body. Saint Paul writes, “Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?...Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit?” (1 Corinthians 6:15, 19). What we do with and to our bodies is important. God loves us as bodily creatures - he made us that way!

Christ’s body was raised with him, and so will ours (1Corinthians 15). We honor God when we revere our bodies as destined for glory. So as long as we treat them with “respect and charity,” the Church permits us to use our bodies to help others after death:

“The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy...Autopsies can be morally permitted for legal inquests or scientific research. The free gift of organs after death is legitimate and can be meritorious. The Church permits cremation, provided that it does not demonstrate a denial of faith in the resurrection of the body (CCC2300-01).

Fr. Matthew Bonk, CSsR
Sundaybulletins@liguori.org

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 Labroschiano, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marcianti, 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.

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Dear Parishioner,

During Holy Week we reflect on the meaning of one great truth that sheds light on everything we believe in as Christians, the death of Jesus and His resurrection from the dead.

May your participation in the rites of this Holy Week enrich your understanding of this truth and give you the profound joy that such understanding brings.

To all parishioners, friends and their families, may you have the joy and blessing of this Easter Season.

Devotedly yours in the Risen Lord,

Rev. Richard Guarnieri
Rev. James B. Teague
Rev. Soosairaj Michael

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2016

PALM SUNDAY – March 20th
Distribution of Palms at all Masses

Reconciliation Mon., March 21st 4 – 8 pm

HOLY THURSDAY – March 24th
9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
Procession and Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament at the
Repository until Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY – March 25th
9:00 a.m. Tenebrae
12:00 Noon – 3:00 p.m. Church open for
meditation
3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Passion and Death
of Our Lord –
Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Confessions

HOLY SATURDAY – March 26th
9:00 a.m. Tenebrae
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Confessions
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Confessions
8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil – Mass of the
Resurrection

EASTER SUNDAY – March 27th
7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass