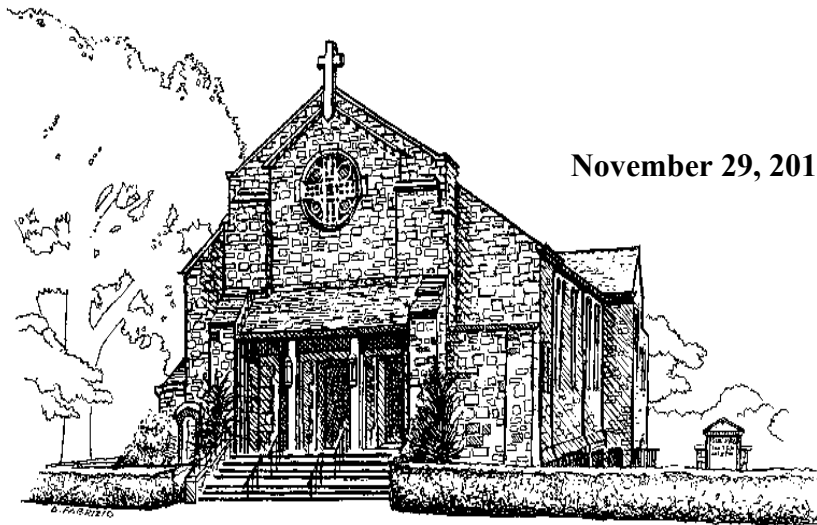


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

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November 29, 2015

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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.

**November 29, 2015**  
**First Sunday of Advent**  
**Mass Intentions**

|               |            |                                    |
|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|
| SAT.<br>11/28 | 5:00 p.m.  | VALERIE MAZZELLA                   |
| SUN.<br>11/29 | 7:00 a.m.  | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY              |
|               | 8:30 a.m.  | FRANCES & HENRY<br>KIELKUCKI       |
|               | 10:00 a.m. | LEONARD SAURO                      |
|               | 11:30 a.m. | MICHAEL CIPOLLA                    |
|               | 5:00 p.m.  | GIUSEPPE FAMELI                    |
| MON.<br>11/30 | 6:45 a.m.  | MSGR. JOSEPH RAIMONDO              |
|               | 9:00 a.m.  | CATHLEEN GODFREY                   |
| TUES.<br>12/1 | 6:45 a.m.  | CARMELA FAVA ROSSINI               |
|               | 9:00 a.m.  | VINCENT SCAPPATICCI                |
| WED.<br>12/2  | 6:45 a.m.  | JOHN J. MC GOWAN                   |
|               | 9:00 a.m.  | GINO RAINA & TARY<br>CERRUTTI      |
| THU.<br>12/3  | 6:45 a.m.  | MELISSA D'AGOSTINIS<br>KOLB        |
|               | 9:00 a.m.  | GIOVANNI SAGLIOCCO                 |
| FRI.<br>12/4  | 6:45 a.m.  | JOSEPHINE CARNEVALLA               |
|               | 9:00 a.m.  | FRANK C. SPOSATO                   |
| SAT.<br>12/5  | 9:00 a.m.  | DR. JOSEPH BISCEGLIA               |
|               | 5:00 p.m.  | CICCARELLI & SORICELLI<br>FAMILIES |
| SUN.<br>12/6  | 7:00 a.m.  | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY              |
|               | 8:30 a.m.  | TULLIO SCOCCHERA                   |
|               | 10:00 a.m. | FRANCESCO & CAMILLA<br>DE GREGORIO |
|               | 11:30 a.m. | JOAN FUGAZY                        |
|               | 5:00 p.m.  | JOSEPHINE & CHARLES<br>CAMPO       |



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**VESPERS** Starting Saturday, November 28th and for all the Saturdays of Advent, we will have Vespers sung before the 5:00 p.m. Mass beginning at 4:30 p.m. Vespers are the evening prayer of the church and consist of hymns, prayers and the blessing of the Advent Wreath. All are invited to attend. Vespers would be a good way to prepare for Christmas. The Vesper ceremony lasts about 20 minutes.

**TRIDUUM** In honor of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, the Patroness of our country, we will have three evenings of prayer beginning on Wednesday, December 2nd and concluding on Friday, December 4th. We will begin at 7:00 p.m. The service will consist of Mass and Triduum prayers. This is a wonderful way to honor Our Lady. All are invited to attend.

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE** The Christmas Giving Tree will benefit the following charities: Cardinal McCloskey Home, Sisters of Life, Hour Children's Center, Elinor Martin Home for Unwed Mothers and the Franciscans. The name of an item is written on each tag on the tree that would benefit someone in need. Simply select a tag from the Christmas trees in church on the weekend of December 5th and 6th. On the following weekend, December 12th and 13th, place your gift under the tree. The gifts collected will be donated to the needy in the name of the parishioners of St. Gregory the Great.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**FINANCIAL CORNER:** Our Sunday collection for Sunday, November 22, 2015 will be posted at a later date . Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

**BAKE SALE** 10th Annual Bake Sale to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will take place at the Veterans Building, 210 Halstead Ave., Harrison (across from St. Gregory's Church) on Sunday December 6, 2015 from 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Raffle tickets will also be sold. Prizes include 32" LED TV, 3 Pc Luggage Set, Tassimo Home Brewing System, plus many more prizes.

**HOLIDAY LIGHTING CEREMONY** The Town of Harrison sponsored by local community vendors and organizations will have a Christmas Tree and Menorah lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 5 at Ma Riis Park (directly across the street from the Municipal Building). The festivities will take place from 3:30 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. There will be hot chocolate and treats, visit from Santa, arts and crafts and will end with Carols sung by children from Harrison Avenue and Parson's Memorial Schools while lighting the Christmas Tree and Menorah at 5:00 p.m. This is a free event and all are invited to enjoy.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE** St. Gregory's Church will be participating in a National Night of Prayer for Life on December 8, from 9 p.m. To 12 a.m. This is a pro-life prayer service consisting of exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary, silent meditation, and benediction to end the evening. We will be united with churches across the country in prayer to end abortion and all offenses against the Culture of Life, to make reparation for these sins and pray for the healing of those who are suffering as a result of them.

**ROSARIES** "Would you like to learn to make rosaries? Join us November 29th at 6:00 p.m. in the Lower Church. We use these rosaries to spread devotion to the Blessed Mother and to send to missions. Sponsored by the Respect Life Group. Refreshments will be served."

## Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of John F. Johnston, Jr. and have been requested by Rita Verrino.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Andrew Anixt and have been requested by his wife, Joan Anixt.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Frank Policriti and have been requested by Lenore and James Moretti.

### In Memory



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

Frank M. Velapoldi  
Raphael Cosentino



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

James Farias  
*Child of Lorena and Mario Farias*

Nina Pasceri  
*Child of Antoinette and Vito Pasceri*

Jonathan Reilly  
*Child of Rosalie and John Reilly*

### 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, Susan Di Silvestro, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, Camdon Joseph, Mary Gill, Martha Hamilton, Caterina Labrosciano, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marciante, Angela Margiotti, Stephanie Merenda, Regina Riberio Minck, Joanne Opava, Mary O'Sullivan, 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 days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

**Psalm** — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

**Gospel** — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22  
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24  
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37  
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27  
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31  
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8  
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent  
Monday: St. Andrew  
Tuesday: World AIDS Day  
Thursday: St. Francis Xavier  
Friday: St. John of Damascus; First Friday  
Saturday: First Saturday



**THERE WILL BE SIGNS**  
in the sun, the moon, and the stars

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## At college, where do I go to church?

*I am a college student and live with my parents, but I prefer my friend's parish. My father says Church law requires me to go to my home parish. Is this true?*

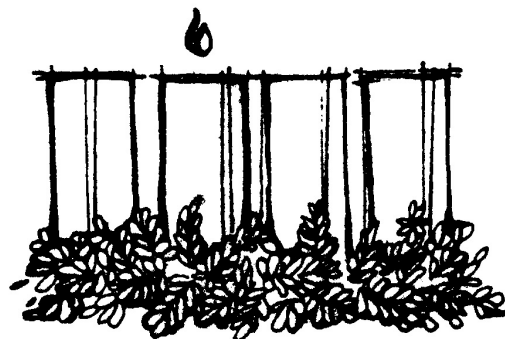
*According to the Code of Canon Law*, parishes and dioceses are normally established according to geographical boundaries. In the United States, Catholics generally attend and support the parish in which they live, just as each pastor is required by canon law to care for the spiritual needs of all who reside within his boundaries. Exceptions to this practice include parishes established for specific ethnic groups or for the military.

That said, Catholics may go to another parish to fulfill specific spiritual needs. For instance, they can attend Mass "away from home" to accommodate their work or school schedule. Around the world there may be countless liturgical variations to the Mass, but ultimately it is the same celebration.

As a pastor, I understand that I cannot be everything to everyone. People have different references when it comes to worship style, preaching content, and available ministries. I would rather help someone enjoy Mass and be spiritually fed and challenged than remind him or her of our religious obligations.

Your journey toward an adult spirituality is important. The parish you choose should be more than just a place to socialize or be entertained. Be sure it also reflects God's presence and leads you to do the same.

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