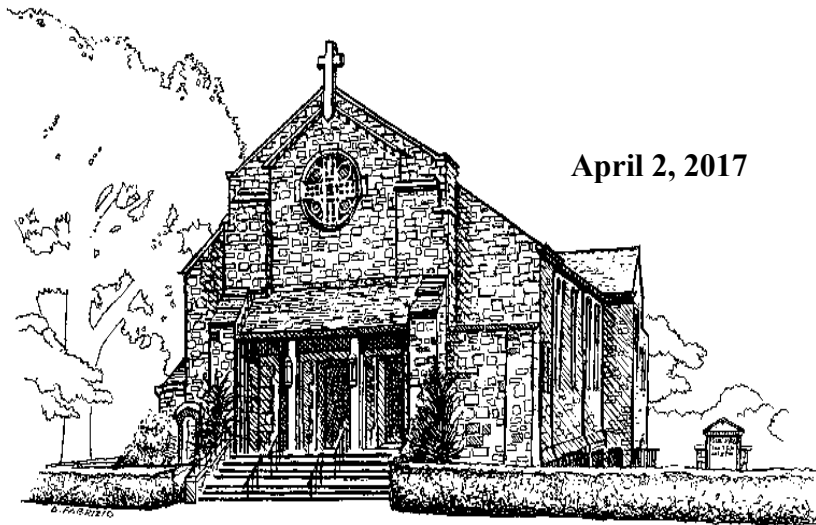


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

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April 2, 2017

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*Parish Secretary*

**Mr. Andrew C. Moeckel**  
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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**

6:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 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.  
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	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

### **Meetings**

**Parish Council:** Fourth 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 2:00 p.m. for the Rosary, and 2:30 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.

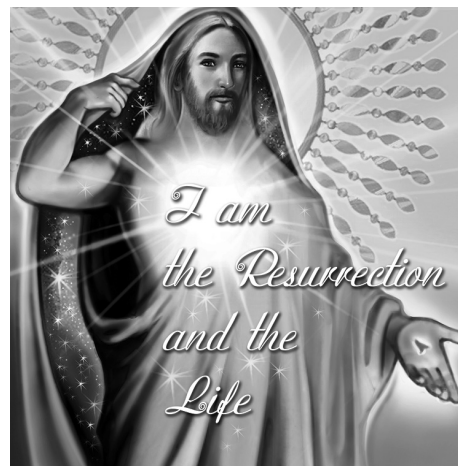
**RCIA:** Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

**April 2, 2017**  
**Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**Mass Intentions**

SAT. 4/1	5:00	p.m.	TERESA GIORGI
SUN. 4/2	7:00	a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30	a.m.	JOHN & ELIZABETH RUBEO
	10:00	a.m.	HAL & GAIL DAVIS
	11:30	a.m.	PLACIDO & LUCY COSCIA
	5:00	p.m.	FRANCES A. ROBERTO
MON. 4/3	6:45	a.m.	CEASAR & LINDA CARIGALI
	9:00	a.m.	VINCENT SCAPPATICCI
TUES. 4/4	6:45	a.m.	THE CATALDO FAMILY
	9:00	a.m.	LUIGI FERRARO
WED. 4/5	6:45	a.m.	CARL TURZIANO
	9:00	a.m.	VERA FIORE ROCCO
THU. 4/6	6:45	a.m.	LINDA FIORE HOUSTON
	9:00	a.m.	JAMES QUIGLEY
FRI. 4/7	6:45	a.m.	SPECIAL INTENTION
	9:00	a.m.	PAUL TAYLOR
SAT. 4/8	9:00	a.m.	EVA GZIK
	5:00	p.m.	MICHELE (MICHAEL) MINICHIELLO
SUN. 4/9	7:00	a.m.	JOSEPH & THOMAS TATE
	8:30	a.m.	GATTO & GAUDELLI FAMILY
	10:00	a.m.	ENIA, FRANCA & MARIO CAPPARELLI
	11:30	a.m.	JOHN T. CONDON
	5:00	p.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY



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

**THE 2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL** Our 2017 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal Update: Amount Pledged: \$89,475.00 - Goal: \$84,500.00 - Participation: Number families: 182. Now is the time to make your pledge! Please answer the call and make your commitment today. Make an online gift today - [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org). Thank you for your generosity.

**BIBLE STUDY/FAITH FORMATION** Want to learn more about your faith and the Bible? Come join us on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the lower Church. All are welcome. Please contact Jay Evangelista @ 914-860-5414 or Anthony DiQuinzio @ 914-447-6308.

**SENIOR BREAKFAST** Purchase Elementary School is hosting Make A Difference Senior Citizen Breakfast on Saturday, April 22nd from 9 -10:30 a.m. Please contact Tom Acampora if you are interested 914-835-0374.

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** St. Gregory's PREP is now at capacity for 2017/2018 for all grade levels. Anyone still interested in registering will be put on a wait list. Please call 914-835-0685.

**FINANCIAL CORNER:** Our Sunday collection for Sunday, March 26, 2017 was \$8,262.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

**ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING MASS CELEBRATION** Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life + Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of NY.

**EMPLOYMENT/NETWORKING SUPPORT GROUP** Free 6-Week Employment/Networking Support Group sponsored by The RDC Center and given at The White Plains Education and Technology Center, 303 Quarropas St., White Plains from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. on April 10, 17, May 1, 8, 15 and 22. Topics: Job Trends, The Myers Briggs Inventory, Resume Preparation, Interviewing For information psheridan@divinecompassion.org or 914-798-1103.

**MUSICAL PERFORMANCE** Whom Shall I Send? Is an inspiring musical performance for the Lenten Season that engages the audience in a story of faith, love and friendship. Presented by the Xavier Company, a group of professional actors, singers and dancers under the direction of Carol Ferrone. The performance will be featured at Maryknoll on Saturday, April 8 from 1-3 p.m. Maryknoll is located at 55 Ryder Road in Ossining. The FREE performance is open to the public and will be presented in Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Chapel. For more information, please call 914-941-7636. Directions can be found at <https://maryknollsociety.org/about/directions/>.

**INFORMATION SESSION** Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees, including Undergraduate online programs is scheduled for Wednesday, April 5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in Prusmack Center at Dominican College 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY 10962.

**LIFE CHAIN** Please join in this prayerful presence for Unborn babies and their Mothers on Sunday, April 9, 2017 at Kohl's Plaza Port Chester, NY from 2—3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Respect Life Corpus-Christi-Holy Rosary.

## Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Concetta Vasile and have been requested by Antoinette (Toni) Faga and Family.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Paul Taylor and have been requested by his wife, Joanne.

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

### In Memory



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

Camilla Sposato



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

Olivia Michelle Baiocco  
*Child of Randi and Michael Baiocco*  
Danny Frederick Grant, III  
*Child of Valeria and Danny Frederick Grant, Jr.*  
Daniel Alexander Rudy  
*Child of Noraida and John A. Rudy*



III Ida Freeza and Antonio Gurrera



## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

**Psalms** — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

**Second Reading** — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

**Gospel** — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];  
Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56;  
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession);  
Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24;  
Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Tuesday: St. Isidore

Wednesday: St. Vincent Ferrer

Friday: St. John Baptist de la Salle; Abstinence;  
First Saturday

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Marianne Yusi Barber, Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Sue Burger, Silvio Catalano, Anna Coppola, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, David Fraioli & Family, Mary Gill, Brody Ryscik, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marciante, Angela Margiotti, Kristen McRedmond, Stephanie Merenda, Barbara Musemeci, Joanne Opava, Raymond Recchia, Carol Sheridan, Camilla Sposato, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Beatrice Victory, Irma Vidal, Elizabeth West, Gregory Westfall, Donna Williams, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.

Dear Padre

April 2, 2017

*What happened to “hellfire and brimstone” preaching, like I remember from parish missions in my younger years?*

**Hellfire and brimstone recalls Genesis 19:24:** “The Lord rained down sulfur upon Sodom and Gomorrah, fire from the Lord out of heaven.” It refers to a harsh preaching style and “doom and gloom” content focused on God’s wrath, punishment, and hell. Puritans - those English Calvinists who colonized Massachusetts in the 1600s - adhered strongly to their belief in eternal damnation, innate sin, and diabolical power. Likewise, American Baptists were known to “out-Calvin Calvin” in their preaching.

While Catholics also adhere strongly to our belief in the possibility of eternal damnation, innate sin, and evil forces, we believe in the grace of baptism to remove original sin, the outpouring of God’s grace to strengthen our weakness due to original sin, and in the extraordinary power of conversion to prevent everlasting damnation. To that end, parish missions and revivals strengthen the spiritual life of the faithful and welcome lapsed Catholics.

Preaching orders have been conducting missions since their earliest days in America. Saint Alphonsus encouraged his Redemptorist missionaries to be lions in the pulpit and lambs in the confessional. One preacher in the 1850’s described the fires of hell with such intensity that the nearby fire engine crew was mistakenly dispatched to the church to extinguish the conflagration. Yet the fires most desirable during a mission is the one in people’s hearts for God. “Fear of God” means a dread for God’s judgment, but it can also mean a reverential marvel for God. Many preachers today prefer to instill that awe for God’s inviting mercy instead of a paralyzing fear of God’s anger.

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