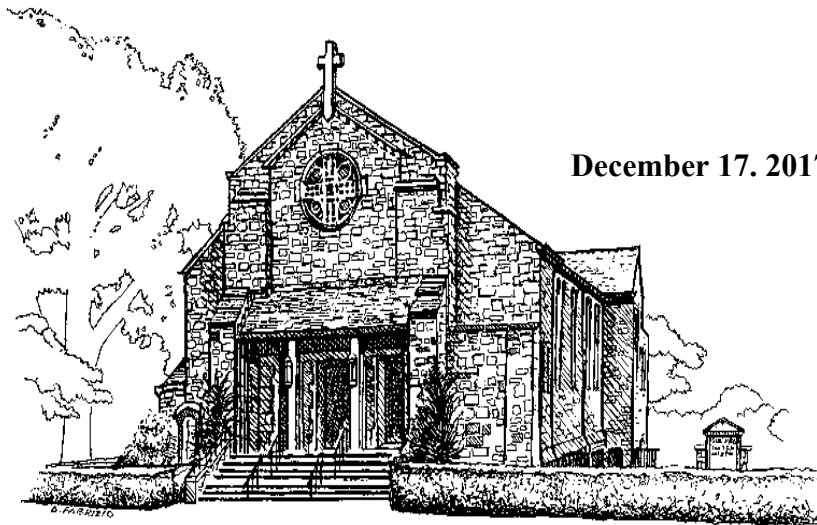


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December 17, 2017

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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: Friday - 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.

December 17, 2017
Third Sunday of Advent
Mass Intentions

SAT. 12/16	5:00	p.m.	ROBERT LOVALLO
SUN. 12/17	7:00	a.m.	ADOLPH GRABLEY
	8:30	a.m.	GAUDELLI & GATTO FAMILY
	10:00	a.m.	ALFRED & MEL ROSE & DENISE CLARK
	11:30	a.m.	MARY DUNN
	5:00	p.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
MON. 12/18	6:45	a.m.	JOHN SELVAGGIO, JR.
	9:00	a.m.	GIUSEPPINA TOSTO
TUES. 12/19	6:45	a.m.	KEVORK CILELI
	9:00	a.m.	ROBERT RUBEO
WED. 12/20	6:45	a.m.	HENRY, MARY & RICHARD ZUCCARELLI
	9:00	a.m.	JAMES JOSEPH JUERGENS
THU. 12/21	6:45	a.m.	CHICKIE SARLO
	9:00	a.m.	TONY CARDONE
FRI. 12/22	6:45	a.m.	ROSA & UMBERTO MASI
	9:00	a.m.	ROONEY, PURCELL, GARRETTO & MC QUADE FAMILY
SAT. 12/23	9:00	a.m.	BETTY MARIE LEO
	5:00	p.m.	RAYMOND & AL DONOVAN & FAMILIES
SUN. 12/24	7:00	a.m.	JEAN C. STOUT
	8:30	a.m.	AL CORCILLO
	10:00	a.m.	FRANCES A. ROBERTO
	11:30	a.m.	ANGELINA & ANTHONY DE LOSA
	5:00	p.m.	NO 5:00 P.M. MASS (SEE CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE)



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

ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY - DECEMBER 18TH Every parish in the Archdiocese including St. Gregory the Great Church will be hearing confessions from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, December 18th. This Sacrament is the best way to prepare for the joy of Christmas and celebrating the birth of Our Savior.

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24th
4:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight

Christmas Day - Monday, December 25th
7:00, 8:30, 10:00 and 11:30 a.m.
(No 5:00 p.m. Mass)

New Year's Eve - Sunday, December 31st
Regular 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass

NEW YEAR'S DAY IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION THIS YEAR

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, December 10, 2017 was \$8,711.00 (this is a combined collection with the Immaculate Conception). Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.



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ST. GREGORY'S PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM - REGISTRATION INFORMATION

On-site registration for **CURRENT STUDENTS** and **incoming FIRST GRADE ONLY** - January 16th - 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; January 17th - 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and January 18th - 11:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration will be **CLOSED** after January 18th for current students and 1st graders. Due to limited classroom space and volunteer recruitment, a strict registration timeline is necessary. Placement is not guaranteed when registration is not received in the time frame offered. *Please note that you will be required to have your parish envelope number to complete registration.* New student registration is open **January 30th by appointment only.** For additional information - stgregprep@gmail.com or 914-835-3685.

CABRINI CARE TO GO! The high quality, compassionate care that has made St. Cabrini Nursing Home a leader in rehabilitation and skilled nursing care, is now available in the privacy of your own home through Cabrini Certified Home Health Agency. If you or a loved one are in need of rehabilitation or skilled nursing care, call Cabrini Certified Home Health Agency today at 914-693-6800, ext. 550. Serving Westchester County, Bronx and Manhattan.

ADVENT MISSION Be bold! Be Catholic! Be a joyful missionary! Come and be the voice of the One who knows what's in their hearts...the One who hears their sobbing and knows what they need. St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, 263 Mulberry St., Soho, NY on Monday, December 18, 2017 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Sign up to be a missionary! www.regnumchristinyctnj.org. Questions - Marnee at mwohlfert@arcol.org or call 914-244-3685.

LIFE CHAIN A peaceful, prayerful presence for Unborn Babies and their Mothers on Sunday, December 17th from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. at Kohls Plaza, Port Chester, New York. Sponsored by Respect Life Ministry, Church of St. John Bosco, Port Chester, New York.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Anne Vallarelli and have been requested by Diane Dempsey.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Giovanni Sagliocco and have been requested by Antonietta Sagliocco and Family.

The Altar Flowers this week have been donated in memory of Michael and Gary Delzio and have been requested by Millie Delzio and Family.

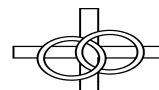
The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Betty Marie Leo and have been requested by the Moretti Family.

In Memory



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

Raphael (Bob) Amelio
John Buonsante
Richard Grace



Holy Matrimony

III Melissa Bottiglieri and Silverio Pacifico



II Samantha Giraud and Michael Valente



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will GOD make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalms — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;
Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17;
Lk 1:5-25
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd;
Lk 1:46-56
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
Lk 1:57-66
Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Thursday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins
Saturday: St. John of Kanty

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Sue Burger, Silvio Catalano, Angela Caparelli, Anna Coppola, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, David Fraioli & Family, Mary Gill, Brody Ryscik, William Lawrence, Kristen McRedmond, Stephanie Merenda, Joanne Opava, Frank Radogna, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Elizabeth West, Gregory Westfall, Donna Williams, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.



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Dear Padre December 17, 2017

Once again I feel overwhelmed by the commercial hype of Christmas. Any suggestions for keeping a Christ-centered Christmas amid the shopping and gift expectations?

It's our Advent task to make Christ, Emmanuel, present in our lives. We do this by centering on the love and peace that is within us and offering that to others. By staying centered and at peace, we'll find the Christ Child even in the midst of the mania!

Take time to pray. In Advent, church decorations accent the sense of longing during this season. Make it a part of your schedule to stop in daily for quiet time and prayer.

Spend less money. Buy fewer gifts, ones that you really enjoy buying. Let your family know that you intend to spend less money and want to enjoy your purchasing experience. Ask them to help you select gifts that have meaning.

Be inspiring. Give gifts that focus more on Christ and Christmas. They could be inspirational books, a Christian music CD, or tickets to a Christmas play or concert.

Start a tradition. Make it a point to find a new Christmas tradition from a different culture and adopt that tradition for this season.

Volunteer. Give someone a gift of unexpected kindness, compassion, and unconditional love. Visit the sick, help in a soup kitchen, buy and wrap presents that will be given to the poor.

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Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
— 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17