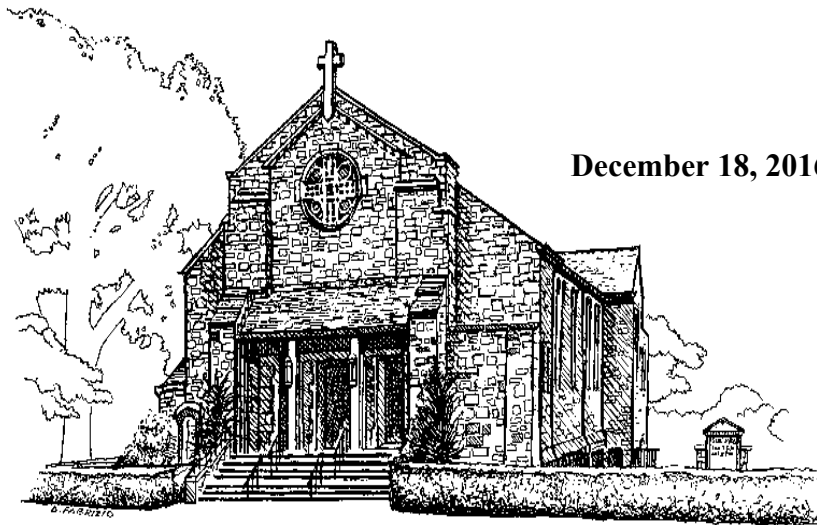


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December 18, 2016

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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

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

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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 | 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 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.

**December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday Of Advent
Mass Intentions**

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| SAT. 12/17 | 5:00 p.m. | ADOLPH GRABLEY |
| SUN. 12/18 | 7:00 a.m. | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY |
| | 8:30 a.m. | JOHN, ELIZABETH & ROBERT RUBEO |
| | 10:00 a.m. | GATTO & GAUDELLI FAMILY |
| | 11:30 a.m. | SAMUEL ETRE & NELLIE BATTIPAGLIA |
| | 5:00 p.m. | RALPH TANCREDI |
| MON. 12/19 | 6:45 a.m. | SHIRLEY ACOSTA |
| | 9:00 a.m. | ANTOINETTE VITRO |
| TUES. 12/20 | 6:45 a.m. | CHICKIE & ROCKY SARLO |
| | 9:00 a.m. | JAMES JOSEPH JUERGENS |
| WED. 12/21 | 6:45 a.m. | ANTHONY CARDONE |
| | 9:00 a.m. | MICHAEL & GARY DELZIO |
| THU. 12/22 | 6:45 a.m. | JOHN SELVAGGIO, JR. |
| | 9:00 a.m. | VERA FIORE-ROCCO |
| FRI. 12/23 | 6:45 a.m. | ROSA & UMBERTO MASI |
| | 9:00 a.m. | ROONEY, GARRETTO, MC QUADE & PURCELL FAMILIES |
| SAT. 12/24 | 9:00 a.m. | ANN DONIGER |
| | 4:00 p.m. | RALPH ATTILIO |
| | 12:00 Mid-Night | PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY |
| SUN. 12/25 | 7:00 a.m. | SALVATORE & FELICIA SORGE |
| | 8:30 a.m. | PETJA MARIA KRONER & MADJA KOROSEC |
| | 10:00 a.m. | JOSEPH TELLA |
| | 11:30 a.m. | AL CORCILLO |
| | | NO 5:00 P.M. MASS |



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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.

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

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

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

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

New Year's Day - Sunday, January 1, 2017
7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 1130 a.m. and 500 p.m.



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FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, December 11, 2016 combined with the Immaculate Conception was \$10,755.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION MONDAY - DECEMBER 19TH 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 19th. This Sacrament is the best way to prepare for the joy of Christmas and celebrating the birth of Our Savior.

PILGRIMAGE TO RUSSIA AND THE BALTIC STATES Fr. Christopher Monturo, pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, is considering leading a pilgrimage to Russia and the Baltics in May 2017 or in the Fall of 2017. Highlights would include Moscow, St. Petersburg, Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania and more. If interested, please call St. Anthony of Padua Church at 914-948-1480 no later than January 1, 2017.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. GREGORY THE GREAT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2017/2018 This program is at capacity for every grade level and we anticipate new students enrolling. 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 envelope number to complete registration. **WE CANNOT GUARANTEE PLACEMENT FOR LATE REGISTRATION.** **Phase 1:** Current students and incoming 1st grade only - January 15-31; **Phase 2:** New students - February 1-16; **Phase 3:** Late Registration - March 1-15 (**LATE FEE: \$100**). Fees: \$300 per child, \$375 per family; Communion Fee \$125/ Confirmation Fee \$150.

LIFE CHAIN Please join in this peaceful, prayerful presence for unborn babies and their Mothers at Kohl's Plaza, Port Chester, New York on Sunday, December 18, 2016, from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Respect Life Ministry, Corpus-Christi-Holy Rosary Parish, Port Chester, N.Y.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Alissa Marie and Deanna Nicole Hochman and have been requested by Rosemary and Patsy Altamuro.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Theresa Gasparrini and have been requested by Ida Scatenato and Family.

The Altar Flowers this week have been donated in memory of Rita Verrino and have been requested by Linda Arcara and Diana Bilotto.

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

In Memory



Mary Jane Zuccaro
Jean C. Stout



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

Sophie Marie Cavaliere
Child of Rosemaria and John Cavaliere
Xavier Pierce
Child of Allison and Masaki Pierce
Ryan Peter and Chase William Postiglione
Children of Kelly and Peter Postiglione



II Diana Litos and James Cianci
I Mariah Kyrillos and Peter Genovese

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. He shall be Emmanuel, “God is with us” (Matthew 1:18-24).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;
Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
Lk 1:57-66

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Lk 1:67-79

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27 29;
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14;
Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7;
Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6;
Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
Tuesday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter Solstice
Thursday: St. John of Kanty
Friday: The Vigil of Christmas
Saturday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joan Anixt, Marianne Yusi Barber, Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Sue Burger, Silvio Catalano, Adrian and Marisa Colon, Anna Coppola, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, David Fraioli & Family, Mary Gill, Brody Ryscik, Caterina Labrosciano, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marciante, Angela Margiotti, Kristen McRedmond, Stephanie Merenda, Joanne Opava, Raymond Recchia, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Concetta Vasile, 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 December 18, 2016

Why is St. Joseph called “the Worker?” Shouldn’t he be honored primarily as the father of Jesus?

Devotion to St. Joseph has developed along an interesting path. It was not until the eighth century that Joseph, underneath the title “Spouse of Mary,” was even publicly acknowledged - except perhaps as an afterthought or silent participant in the Christmas story. The Church has always acknowledged that Joseph’s relationship with Jesus was unique, but there was, and continues to be, reluctance to call him the father of Jesus. We understand the father of Jesus is not Joseph but rather God the Father.

A consensus about Joseph’s role in the plan of salvation seems to be in place by the early fourteenth century. In 1870, Pope Pius IX declared Joseph the patron of the universal Church. By the early twentieth century, worldwide devotion had found a home at St. Joseph’s Oratory in Montreal.

The title of “the Worker” was used most often by Pope Pius XI in his references to Joseph as the patron of the Church’s battle against atheistic communism. Pope Pius XII established the May 1 feast in 1955 to emphasize the Catholic teaching concerning the dignity of labor.

Saint Joseph could be summarized best as a man who did the best he could when God’s will became clear. This image and model seems the best and most helpful for deepening our understanding of and devotion to him.

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