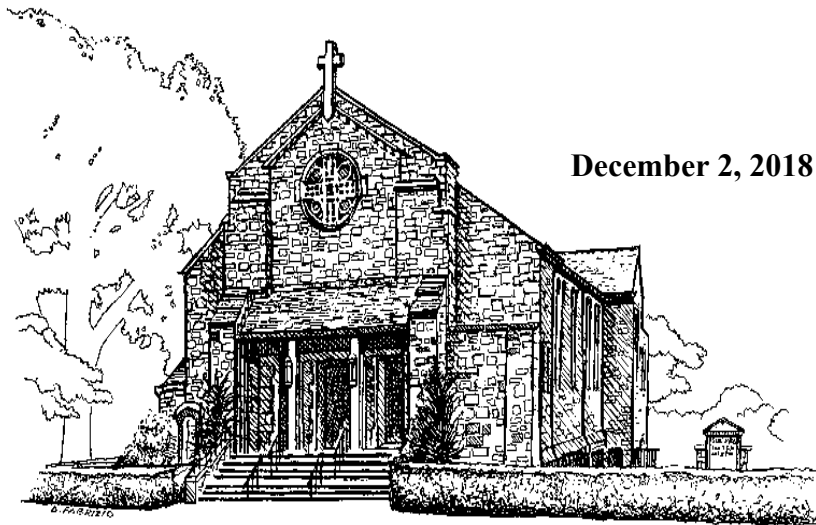


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December 2, 2018

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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 Wednesday 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.

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

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

December 2, 2018
First Sunday of Advent
Mass Intentions



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

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SAT. 12/1	5:00 p.m.	CICCARELLI & SORICELLI & FAMILY
SUN. 12/2	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	MARIO TARANTINO
	10:00 a.m.	JOHN (JACK) MC GOWAN
	11:30 a.m.	ANNE & PAUL VALLARELLI
	5:00 p.m.	ANTHONY F. GIRONE
MON. 12/3	6:45 a.m.	CARMELA FAVA ROSSINI
	9:00 a.m.	MONICA CARUANA PULIS
TUES. 12/4	6:45 a.m.	BOB AMELIO
	9:00 a.m.	PETER SCAPPATICCI
WED. 12/5	6:45 a.m.	BOB AMELIO
	9:00 a.m.	JOAN FUGAZY
THU. 12/6	6:45 a.m.	BOB AMELIO
	9:00 a.m.	CAMILLA & FRANCESCO DE GREGORIO
FRI. 12/7	6:45 a.m.	FR. JAMES FLYNN
	9:00 a.m.	GIACONDA & CHARLES SLOAT
SAT. 12/8	9:00 a.m.	RICHARD HICKS
	12:00 p.m.	RUDY RUSSO
	5:00 p.m.	ANTHONY J. FRAIOLI
SUN. 12/9	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	VERA FIORE ROCCO
	10:00 a.m.	DENISE FUGAZY
	11:30 a.m.	ANGELO & THERESA CATULLO & LIVING FAMILY
	5:00 p.m.	JASON BERGIN & MARY ELIZABETH FRAIOLI & FAMILIES

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Saturday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Immaculate Conception on Saturday are at 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon. The 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 8th, is the Vigil Mass for Sunday.

PARISH EVALUATION This year Fr. Richard Guarnieri will be completing his first six-year term as Pastor of St. Gregory the Great Church. In keeping with Archdiocesan policy, an evaluation of the parish has begun.

Parishioners and staff who wish to do so may write letters with their own comments about our parish and the pastoral leadership of the parish. Please address your letters to:

The Office of Priest Personnel
Archdiocese of New York
1011 First Avenue
New York, New York 10022

Letters should be received no later than December 31, 2018. Any correspondence received after the deadline will NOT be included in the evaluation process.

ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY SCHOLA CANTORUM...presents an Advent and Christmas Concert with favorites of the Christmas season and carols from around the world on December 2, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. (reception to follow) at St. Joseph's Seminary, 201 Seminary Avenue, Yonkers, NY. \$25.00 offering for tickets.

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, November 18 was \$9,046.00. and for Sunday, November 25, was \$8,361.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

VESPERS Starting Saturday, December 1st 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.

BAKE SALE 13th 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 2, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Raffle tickets will be sold. Prizes include: 32" HDTV, Beats Solo 3, Dove Beauty Baskets, Oster Convection Oven, Silverware Set for 12, Vera Bradley Luggage and lots more!! Come show your support for a great cause.

GIVING TREE The Christmas Giving Tree this year will benefit the following charities: Cardinal McCloskey Home, Sisters of Life, Hour Children's Center and St. Anthony's Shelter. 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 1st and 2nd. On the following weekend of December 8th and 9th, place your gift under the tree. The gifts collected will be donated to the needy in the name of the parishioners of St. Gregory's.

IN AN AGE OF CRISIS OUR LADY HAS AN AMAZING MESSAGE FOR EVERYONE... presented by Dr. Luz Maria Ibarra, currently an adjunct professor at St. Joseph's Seminary, on Thursday, December 6th at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of St. Anthony of Padua, 85 Harrison St., West Harrison, NY 10604 in the Lower Church Hall. For more information, please call the parish rectory at 914-948-1480.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Connie Maltese and have been requested by the Moretti Family.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Manuel Caneiro and have been requested by his daughter, Luisa Ayaso.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Joan Marone Anixt and have been requested by her sister, Gloria Marone.

In Memory



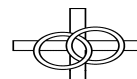
The parish community of St. Gregory the Great extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones on their loss

Iolanda Ciatto
Alfred Notargiacomo



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

Penelope Hope Kamienska
Child of Brittney and Richard Kamienska
Lemon Rose Iannuzzi
Child of Sonni and John Iannuzzi



Holy Matrimony

Kelly Lynch and Keith Macey



I Michele Coppola and Santino Ciatto

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 — Abound in love for one another and for all (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

Gospel — Stand erect and raise your heads; your redemption is at hand (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
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: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4;
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
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; Hanukkah begins
Monday: St. Francis Xavier
Tuesday: St. John Damascene
Thursday: St. Nicholas
Friday: St. Ambrose; First Friday
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Saturday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Sue Burger, Dennis Cantrell, Danielle Camarda, Silvio Catalano, Anna Coppola, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, David Fraioli & Family, Mary Gill, Brody Ryscik, William Lawrence, Amanda Mora, Kristen McRedmond, Stephanie Merenda, Billy Minck, Joanne Opava, Frank Radogna, Joel Rivera, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Mark Valentino, Marie Valentino & Family, Elizabeth West, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.



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Dear Padre December 2, 2018

I noticed in our Sunday bulletin that our parish is setting up a Jesse tree and a giving tree for Advent. What are these trees?

Parishes and families use the Jesse tree and the giving tree as two distinct ways to prepare for the coming of Jesus, the child king.

We use the Jesse tree to remember Jesus' own royal family tree. The Gospel of Matthew traces Jesus' genealogy back to Abraham (1:1-17), while Luke lists his ancestors back to Adam (3:23-28). The purpose is to connect Jesus to Abraham and Adam, and convey the historical longing of the Chosen People for a messiah. Throughout Advent, names of significant figures in Israelite history and quotations from the Hebrew Testament are hung on the branches. Usually, the Jesse tree is placed in a prominent position, in church or at home, so all can see the history of Jesus unfold as we get ever closer to Christmas.

The giving tree challenges each parish family or member to buy a gift for someone in need. The parish sets up a tree that is decorated with tags suggesting gifts for those in need. Clothing sizes and children's ages are connected with the requests on the tree, so that the givers can easily get the needed items and take their gifts to the church by a designated date. The gifts are then distributed before Christmas. The giving tree unites us to the great message Jesus continues to give us at Christmas: Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me (see Matthew 25:40).

Questions Catholics Ask
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