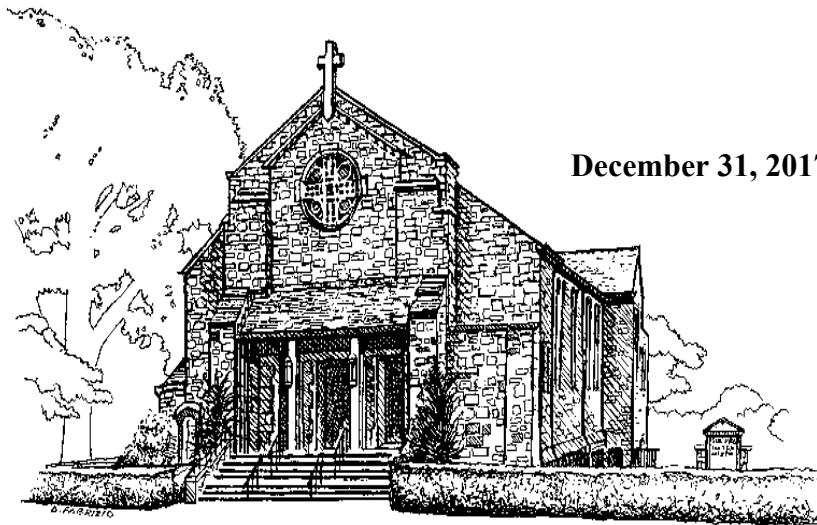


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

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December 31, 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 31, 2017**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph  
Mass Intentions**

SAT. 12/30	5:00	p.m.	KIM CORTAZAR & ROBERT VALENTZAS
SUN. 12/31	7:00	a.m.	SALVATORE & FELICIA SORGE
	8:30	a.m.	RITA VERRINO
	10:00	a.m.	NELLIE BATTIPAGLIA & SAMUEL ETRE
	11:30	a.m.	WILLIAM DENNIS FUGAZY
	5:00	p.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
MON. 01/01/ 2018	6:45	a.m.	SALVATORE & FELICIA SORGE
	9:00	a.m.	PASQUALE, PASQUALINA, ELISABETTA & GAETANO D'ANTONA
TUES. 1/2	6:45	a.m.	JAMES QUIGLEY
	9:00	a.m.	RICHARD CONTRATA, SR.
WED. 1/3	6:45	a.m.	EDITH & ANTHONY GIORDANO
	9:00	a.m.	VINCENT COCCOLI
THU. 1/4	6:45	a.m.	JOHN MC GILLICUDDY
	9:00	a.m.	CATHERINE & ANTHONY CAMPO
FRI. 1/5	6:45	a.m.	THOMAS F. MC GEE
	9:00	a.m.	KAREN IANNIELLO
SAT. 1/6	9:00	a.m.	JACK, ROSE & DR. JOSEPH BISCEGLIA
	5:00	p.m.	FRAIOLI, DELLAVA & BERGIN FAMILY (LIVING & DECEASED)
SUN. 1/7	7:00	a.m.	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LEGION OF MARY
	8:30	a.m.	ANTONIO MASTROGIACOMO
	10:00	a.m.	GLORIA & EUGENE D'IMPERIO
	11:30	a.m.	BONAVENTURA DI LORENZO
	5:00	p.m.	LAUREN GREER



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

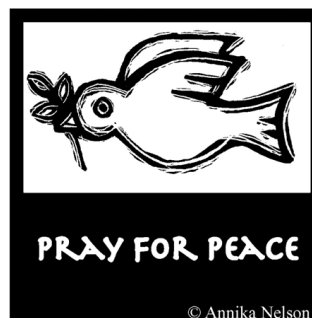
**DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY** The Rosary is prayed in the Church from Tuesday to Saturday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and also on Sunday, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Each Monday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, a novena is held in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. The Rosary is prayed following the novena.

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE**

**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 17, 2017 was \$13,252.00. Our Sunday collection for December 24, 2017 will be posted at a later date. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.



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**THANK YOU...**to everyone who so generously donated to the Giving Trees at St. Gregory the Great Church. We received many donations which were given to the appropriate charities. We would like to thank all the families who helped with our Giving Trees this year. We would also like to give a special thank you to John Wagner for his help in setting up the Christmas Trees. A job well done as usual. The trees looked beautiful. Many people enjoyed a wonderful Christmas due to the generosity of the parishioners of St. Gregory the Great Church.

**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](mailto:stgregprep@gmail.com) or 914-835-3685.



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**My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.**

—*Luke 2:30-31*

## Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Bob Amelio and have been requested by Ralph and Mary Ann Amelio

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Dan Amelio and have been requested by Ralph and Mary Ann Amelio.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Anthony and Dolores Cicatelli and have been requested by Ralph and Mary Ann Amelio.

In Memory



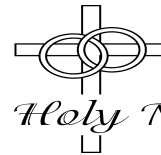
The parish community of St. Gregory the Great extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones on their loss

Maria Morano



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

Chase Connor Regan  
*Child of Erica and Gregory Paul Regan*



Samantha Giraud and Michael Valente



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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) or *Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3*.

**Psalm** — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) or *Psalm 105*.

**Second Reading** — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) or *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19*.

**Gospel** — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51  
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
Monday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God; The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; World Day of Prayer for Peace; New Year's Day  
Tuesday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen  
Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus  
Thursday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Friday: St. John Neumann; First Friday  
Saturday: St. André Bessette; First Saturday

## 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.

## Dear Padre December 31, 2017

*I worry that I'm cramming too much of my Catholic devotions down my children's throats. Should they have more freedom to choose the faith on their own?*

*Many of us can connect our faith to our mothers.* It was most likely their constancy, love, and devotion that gave us the first hints that faith is important in one's life. When a woman chooses to be a mother, she commits to handing on to her children that which is most powerful and most profound in her own life. Over the years, the children will take what is given, sift through it, and finally add it in some way to their own personalities. But the gift first has to be given, and the commitment of motherhood is giving that gift.

Mary, the patron of the Church and of Mothers around the world, is first represented in the Gospels as the one "who believed" (Luke 1:45). It was this deep capacity for faith that became the well that cradled and fed Jesus.

"Education in the faith by the parents should begin in the child's earliest years. This already happens when family members help one another to grow in faith by the witness of a Christian life in keeping with the Gospel" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2226).

The sincerity and reverence of a mother's faith can become a fountain of living water that will naturally overflow, and her children can choose to drink of it. Renew your commitment to handing on your faith to your children freely and without limits!

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