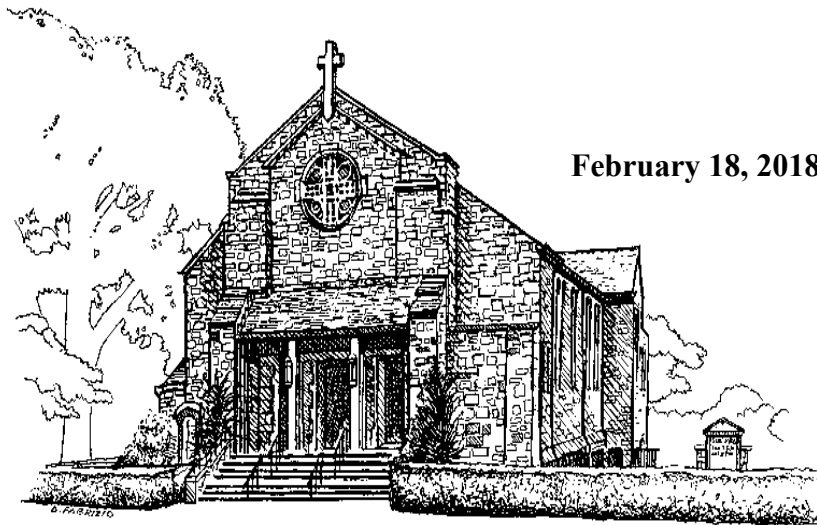


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Mass Schedule

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.

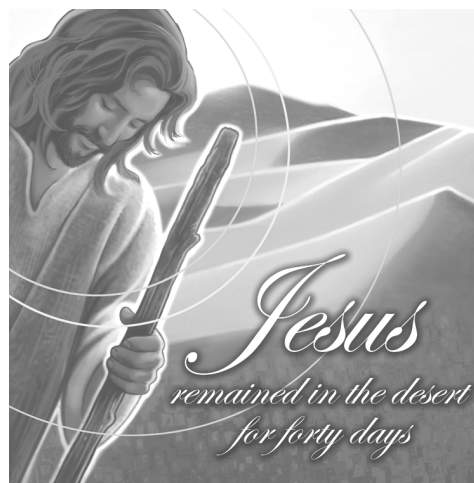
RCIA: Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

February 18, 2018
First Sunday Of Lent
Mass Intentions

SAT. 2/17	5:00	p.m.	ANTHONY & JOSEPHINE COPPOLA
SUN. 2/18	7:00	a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30	a.m.	VALLONE FAMILY
	10:00	a.m.	DOMENICK & ANNA GATTO
	11:30	a.m.	MANUEL CANEIRO
	5:00	p.m.	WINIFRED BRADY
MON. 2/19	6:45	a.m.	MICHAEL BATTIPAGLIA
	9:00	a.m.	JOSEPH G. SILVESTRO
TUES. 2/20	6:45	a.m.	EDITH & ANTHONY GIORDANO
	9:00	a.m.	MARIO SCAPPATICCI
WED. 2/21	6:45	a.m.	ROSE VAZZANO
	9:00	a.m.	VINCENT COCCOLI
THU. 2/22	6:45	a.m.	GENESIO NACCARATO
	9:00	a.m.	GUIDO RUSSO
FRI. 2/23	6:45	a.m.	PASQUALE MAURINI
	9:00	a.m.	GIUSEPPE & ANTOINETTA MIELE
SAT. 2/24	9:00	a.m.	ANGELA DI BIASI
	5:00	p.m.	ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS & ALL THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN THE MILITARY
SUN. 2/25	7:00	a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30	a.m.	RUDY RUSSO
	10:00	a.m.	ATTILIO & ANGELINA CAPPARELLI
	11:30	a.m.	SALVATORE MASTROGIACOMO
	5:00	p.m.	TILLIE LOMBARDI



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.

LENTEN VESPERS We will have Vespers sung before the 5:00 p.m. Mass during Lent beginning at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 24th. Vespers are the evening prayer of the church and consist of psalms and prayers. All are invited to attend. Vespers would be a good way to prepare for Easter. The Vesper ceremony lasts about 20 minutes.

SAVE THE DATE St. Gregory the Great will have a Parish Day of Recollection on Saturday, March 10, 2018. The speaker will be Fr. Raymond Donaldson. Details to follow.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS We will have Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at 7:00 p.m. beginning on February 16th.

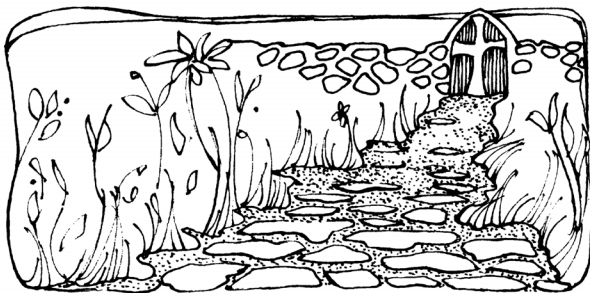
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED We are in need of Lectors, Ministers of the Eucharist, and Ushers. If you are willing to serve at St. Gregory the Great Church, please contact the Rectory from 9:00 a.m. To 3:00 p.m. Monday to Friday (914-835-0677).

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, February 11, 2018 was \$7,581.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

EMMAUS MINISTRY For parents whose children of any age have died by any cause. Please join us. All are welcome on Saturday, February 24 at the Church of the Magdalene in Sleepy Hollow, NY from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. Includes Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Scholarships are available. To register online, www.emfgp.org/2018-archny, or contact Sue DiSisto, Parenting and Family Life Education: susan.disisto@archny.org or (646) 794-3191.

CAPUCHIN YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES Presents Saints for Youth Retreat for high school teens on Friday, March 1 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 4 at 1:00 p.m. Get to know true heroes - the Saints our friends in Heaven. Enjoy icebreakers, prayer, games, talks, awesome music and delicious food. \$125 for materials, meals and lodging (scholarships are available); application/\$60 non-refundable deposit must be returned by February 27. More info/applications at cyfm.org; P.O. Box 192, 781 Route 9D, Garrison, NY 10524 (845) 424-3609.

LIFE CHAIN Please join the group on Sunday, February 18, 2018 at Kohl's Plaza in Port Chester, NY from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. for a peaceful prayer, legal and non-confrontational presence. Sponsored by the Parish of Saint John Bosco, Right to Life Committee, Port Chester, NY. For information: (914-939-3169).



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***Your ways, O Lord, make known to me;
Teach me your paths.***

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Rose Mustacato and have been requested by Josephine, Claude and John LaVigna.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Daniel Amelio and have been requested by Geraldina Pagnotta.

The Altar Flowers this week have been donated in memory of Mario Scappaticci and have been requested by Corinne, Nancy and Diane.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Daniel Amelio and have been requested by Susan Cipolla.

In Memory



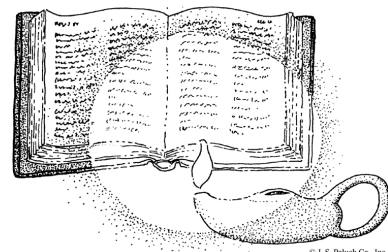
The parish community of St. Gregory the Great extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones on their loss

Patricia L. Kiernan



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

Rhys Marshall Rudy
Child of Kristel and George Edward Rudy



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood (Genesis 9:8-15).

Psalm — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

Gospel — This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:12-15).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;
Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10,
15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent; Rite of Election;
Rite of Calling the Candidates to
Continuing Conversion; Rite of Sending
Monday: Presidents' Day; Julian Calendar Lent
Wednesday: St. Peter Damian
Thursday: Chair of St. Peter the Apostle;
Washington's Birthday
Friday: St. Polycarp; Abstinence

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, Joel Rivera, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Mark Valentino, Elizabeth West, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.

Dear Padre February 18, 2018

Why won't the priest hear my confession right before Mass?

Theoretically, any time is a good time for penitents to reconcile and renew their relationship with the Lord! In practice, the priest's refusal to hear your confession immediately before presiding at Mass may be as much for your benefit as his. In his preoccupation with last-minute details of leading the assembly, he may think: "How can I be more attentive to this individual and to a worthy celebration of the sacrament of penance without delaying Mass?" He might also be reacting to a penitent's mechanical understanding of the sacrament that fosters a scrupulous practice of devotional confessions - that is, confessing only minor sins in preparation for Communion.

Anyone who is conscious of serious sin is not to "receive the body of the Lord without previous sacramental confession unless there is a grave reason and there is no opportunity to confess" (Code of Canon Law, 916). In this case, the person makes a sincere act of contrition, including a resolution to confess as soon as possible. "The Eucharist is not ordered to the forgiveness of mortal sins - that is proper to the sacrament of Reconciliation" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1395). Nevertheless, "the Eucharist strengthens our charity...and this living charity wipes away venial sins (and) the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins" (CCC1394-95).

Catholics in a state of grace show respect for the dignity of the Eucharist, but trying to confess grave sins to a priest right before Mass may lessen the dignity given to one sacrament over another if the celebration of the sacrament of penance is rushed or the celebration of Mass begins late.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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