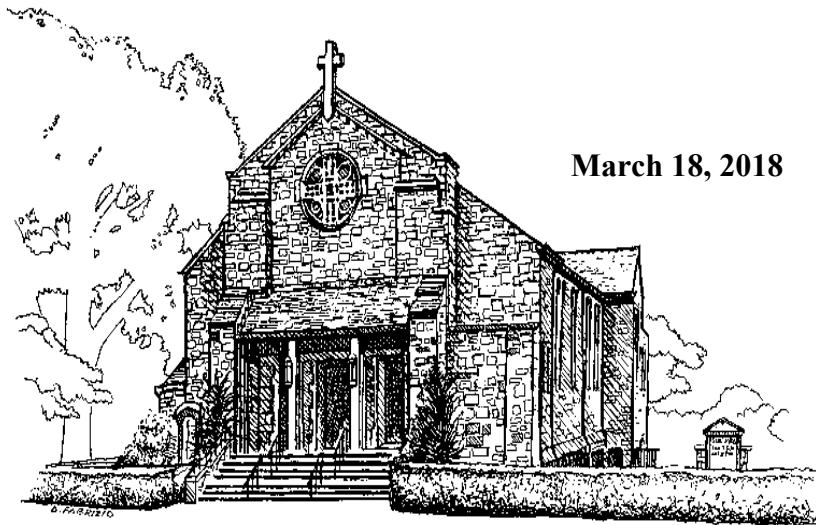


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Mass Schedule

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.

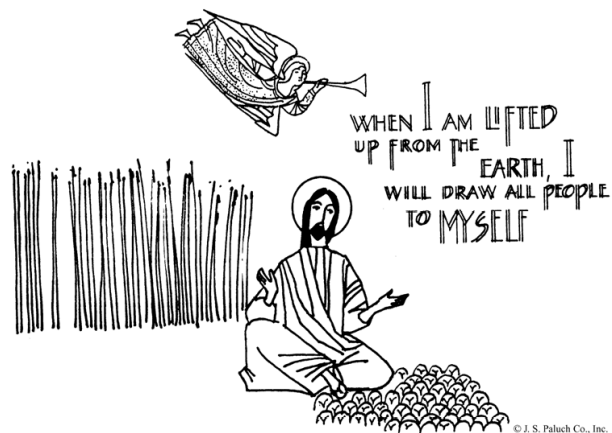
RCIA: Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday Of Lent
Mass Intentions

SAT. 3/17	5:00 p.m.	MICHAEL ROSSI
SUN. 3/18	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	DAVID CARDONE
	10:00 a.m.	JOSEPH BACI
	11:30 a.m.	MILLIE & SAL COVIELLO
	5:00 p.m.	FRANCES AND ANTHONY ARCARA
MON. 3/19	6:45 a.m.	LORETTA FARRELL COUGHLIN
	9:00 a.m.	JOSEPH LA VIGNA
TUES. 3/20	6:45 a.m.	DOROTHY PIERETTI
	9:00 a.m.	PASQUALE EVANGELISTA
WED. 3/21	6:45 a.m.	ROSARIA & SALVATORE PASSAFIUME
	9:00 a.m.	LUIGI MARINO
THU. 3/22	6:45 a.m.	GIUSEPPE FAMA
	9:00 a.m.	FRANK STINGONE
FRI. 3/23	6:45 a.m.	ANGELA ANTONUCCI
	9:00 a.m.	MICHAEL ROSSI
SAT. 3/24	9:00 a.m.	CONNIE & RALPH SIRANI, SR.
	5:00 p.m.	ALICE E. SEIBERT
SUN. 3/25	7:00 a.m.	JOSEPH SHANNON & THOMAS TATE
	8:30 a.m.	GAUDELLI & GATTO FAMILY
	10:00 a.m.	AMERICCO & MARIA COLANGELI
	11:30 a.m.	LOUIS BELLUSCI
	5:00 p.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY



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.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY Monday, March 26th is Reconciliation Monday throughout the Archdiocese of New York. Confessions will be heard continuously from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. here at St. Gregory the Great. Please take advantage of this opportunity for God's mercy in this holy season of Lent.

LENTEN VESPERS We will have Vespers sung before the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday during Lent beginning at 4:30 p.m. 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.

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

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, March 11, 2018 was \$9,044.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

BAKE SALE The Harrison Columbiettes will hold a Bake Sale today, Sunday, March 18th, after all the masses, at the Veterans Building across the street from the Church. Beginning at 7:30 a.m., you may purchase delicious homemade cakes, brownies, breads and other assorted goodies. 50/50 raffle tickets will be sold. Thank you for your support!

ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING MASS CELEBRATION Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 3 at 2:15 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish to register. The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 14, 2018.

GIFT OF LIFE WALK Please join us for the second international Gift of Life Walk "A March for Life" in the heart of NYC on Sunday, March 25th. Sponsored by Personhood Education New York. Walkers from Westchester will be traveling together in a charter bus from Greenburg - Cost is \$15 per person/\$10 for students and children. Buses leave from the Greenburg Town Court parking lot (188 Tarrytown Road) at 7:15 a.m. The walk will begin at 9 a.m. in Manhattan's Foley Square and proceed through the "Canyon of Heroes" and past the "Charging of the Bull" in witness to the sanctity of human life. To reserve your seat on the bus and/or sponsor a walker, please contact Gerald Yeung at 914-837-7008 or broger8@gmail.com.

LIFE CHAIN Please join the group on Sunday, March 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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Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Vito Buonsante and have been requested by Enzo and Antonietta Marino.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Daniel Amelio and have been requested by Mr. and Mrs. John Valletta.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Daniel Amelio and have been requested by Joan Neale and Vivian Le Pino.

In Memory



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

Frank Eisinger
Stella Lerza
Achille Pascale



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

Matthew Jace Moreno
Child of Stephanie and Matthew John Moreno



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. (Jeremiah 31:31-34) *or* Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalm — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) *or* Psalm 130.

Second Reading — Christ became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him (Hebrews 5:7-9) *or* Romans 8:8-11.

Gospel — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33) *or* John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny

Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday: Spring begins

Friday: Abstinence; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

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
March 18, 2018

I feel self-conscious striking my breast at Mass. Isn't this gesture rather exaggerated?

The Roman Missal proscribes that the assembly strike their breasts at “through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault” during the Confiteor. It doesn't specify striking three times. Later in Eucharistic Prayer 1, the priest strikes his breast with his right hand, saying, “To us, also, your servants, who, though sinners...”

Clasping our hands in front of our breast is a recognized gesture of prayer; striking the heart or breast is an ancient penitential expression. It calls to mind Jesus' parable of two men who prayed in the Temple, a prideful Pharisee and a humble tax collector who “beat his breast and prayed, O God, be merciful to me a sinner” (Luke 18"13).

Gestures, language, and actions are the physical, visible, and public expressions by which human beings understand and manifest their inner life” (Built of Living Stones, NCCB/USCC, 2000). The liturgy has a rich tradition of movements that can foster or distract from prayer. “When the gestures are done in common, they contribute to the unity of the worshipping assembly. Gestures which are broad and full in both a visual and tactile sense support the entire symbolic ritual” (Environment and Art in Catholic Worship, 56).

Thus, at Mass we bow our heads, bend our knees, and beat our breasts out of humility and reverence for God, “For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted” (Luke 18:14).

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