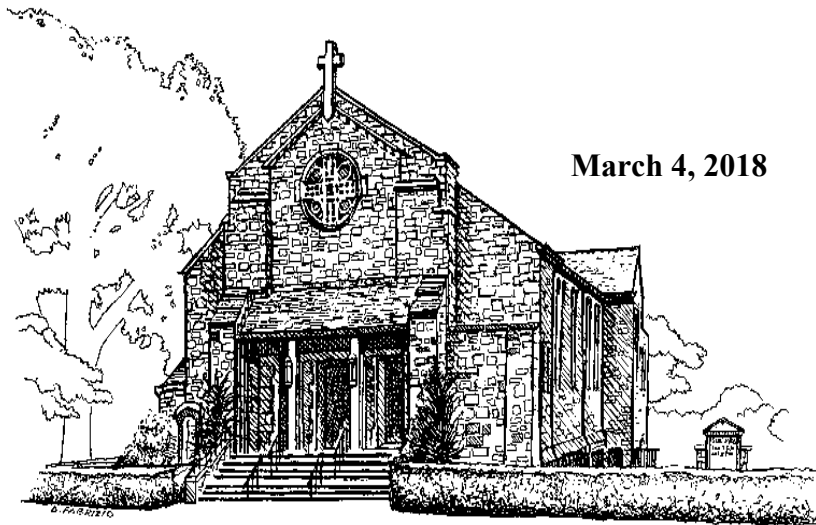


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March 4, 2018

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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 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.

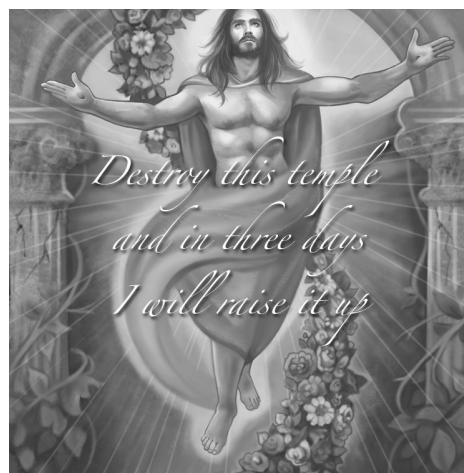
RCIA: Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

March 4, 2018
Third Sunday Of Lent
Mass Intentions

SAT. 3/3	5:00	p.m.	WILLIAM LOPAC
SUN. 3/4	7:00	a.m.	ROSE MARIE PITTA
	8:30	a.m.	THERESA VASSALLO
	10:00	a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	11:30	a.m.	ANNE & PAUL VALLARELLI
	5:00	p.m.	JENNIE SIMONS
MON. 3/5	6:45	a.m.	ELIZABETH MINISHI
	9:00	a.m.	ANTONIO GUGLIELMO
TUES. 3/6	6:45	a.m.	LIDIA SFERUZZI
	9:00	a.m.	JOSEPH LAURIA
WED. 3/7	6:45	a.m.	FRANCESCO COSENTINO
	9:00	a.m.	TOMMASSO ROSSINI & ANGELA GIORGI
THU. 3/8	6:45	a.m.	SALVATORE & FELICIA SORGE
	9:00	a.m.	VICTORIA "COOKIE" BRUNETTI & GILDA CASTELLI
FRI. 3/9	6:45	a.m.	CARMELA PISCOPO
	9:00	a.m.	HELEN MC CAFFREY
SAT. 3/10	9:00	a.m.	O'CONNEL & MC GILLICUDDY FAMILIES
	5:00	p.m.	DANIEL AMELIO
SUN. 3/11	7:00	a.m.	FRANK DE LIBERO
	8:30	a.m.	ENIA & FRANCA CAPPARELLI
	10:00	a.m.	ROSARIA VITALE
	11:30	a.m.	JOSEPHINE NAZARETH
	5:00	p.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY



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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.

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.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION St. Gregory the Great will have a Parish Day of Recollection on Saturday, March 10, 2018. The speaker will be Fr. Raymond Donaldson, S.J. Schedule is as follows: 8-8:30 a.m. coffee and bagels; 8:45-9:00 a.m. Opening Prayer and Introductions; 9-10:00 a.m. Talk; 10-10:30 a.m. Discussion; 10:30-10:45 a.m. Break; 10:45-11:30 a.m. Confession; 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Lunch; 12:45-1:45 p.m. Talk; 1:45-2:15 p.m. Discussion - Closing Prayer.

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, February 25, 2018 was \$9,344.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

BAKE SALE The Harrison Columbiettes will hold a Bake Sale on 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!

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).

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE The 7th Annual Sound Shore St. Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Sunday, March 18 at 1:30 p.m. on Mamaroneck Avenue in Mamaroneck. This wonderful family-friendly event celebrates Irish heritage as well as the American immigrant experience.

ANNUNCIATION-OUR LADY OF FATIMA...parish proudly presents their annual Seven Last Words of Christ concert on Sunday, March 4 at 3:00 p.m. The afternoon will feature the Adult Choir of Annunciation-OLF as well as members of the St. Frances de Chantal Adult Choir (Bronx). Admission is free. All are welcome. Please join us for an afternoon of prayerful song. Annunciation Church, 470 Westchester Ave., Tuckahoe, NY 10707.

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.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Vicky Zulli and have been requested by Gary and Patty Drace and Family.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of Vicky Zulli and have been requested by Gary and Patty Drace and Family.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Joseph Zuccarelli and have been requested by Jack and Margaret Arcara.

In Memory



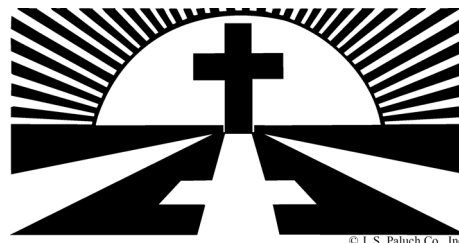
The parish community of St. Gregory the Great extends its deepest sympathy to the loved ones on their loss

Carmine Giordano

Baptisms

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

Alessandra Siena Campanale
Child of Elisa and Aurelio Campanale



*I, the LORD, am your God . . .
You shall not have other gods besides me.*

— *Exodus 20:2a, 3*

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God gives the law through Moses (Exodus 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]) or *Exodus 17:3-7*.

Psalm — Lord, you have the words of everlasting life (Psalm 19) or *Psalm 95*.

Second Reading — We proclaim Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 1:22-25) or *Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*.

Gospel — Many began to believe in Jesus' name when they saw the signs he was doing (John 2:13-25) or *John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]*.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Alternate readings (Year A):

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6;

Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent; First Scrutiny

Wednesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity

Thursday: St. John of God

Friday: St. Frances of Rome; Abstinence



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Dear Padre March 4, 2018

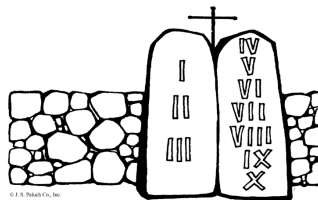
Much time is given to purify the vessels after Communion. At another parish, two people bring the cloth and unfold it on the altar before the gifts are presented. Shouldn't the preparation and cleanup of the table be less significant than the Eucharist itself?

Our liturgy is a beautiful expression of our faith, and we value its simplicity and grace. When we celebrate a liturgy, we keep in mind the nature of a particular part and its relationship to the whole celebration. We want the Eucharist to be the clear, central part of the liturgy.

The preparation of the gifts is a practical rite that gets us set for the Eucharistic prayer; it is done with simplicity and few additional gestures. The Roman Missal says an "acolyte or another lay minister arranges the corporal on the altar" (General instruction of the Roman Missal, 139) and places the chalice and other vessels. It seems appropriate for laypeople to help dress the altar, especially if they assist the entire Mass. Their actions should be inconspicuous and not extend the rite. These ministers can be lay faithful because they are encouraged to present the bread and wine, emphasizing the inclusive nature of the Eucharist (GIRM 140, 141).

The purification of vessels is tricky because it must be done by a priest, a deacon, or an instituted acolyte. Since churches use several vessels, this action can take time and be overemphasized. However, its placement in the Mass is flexible, taking place "after Communion, or after Mass" (GIRM 279) and should be "done briefly and inconspicuously" (introduction to the Order of Mass, 138). These pastoral suggestions enable us to leave the purification of the vessels until after Mass so we maintain a proper focus on the Eucharist and the meditation that follows.

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