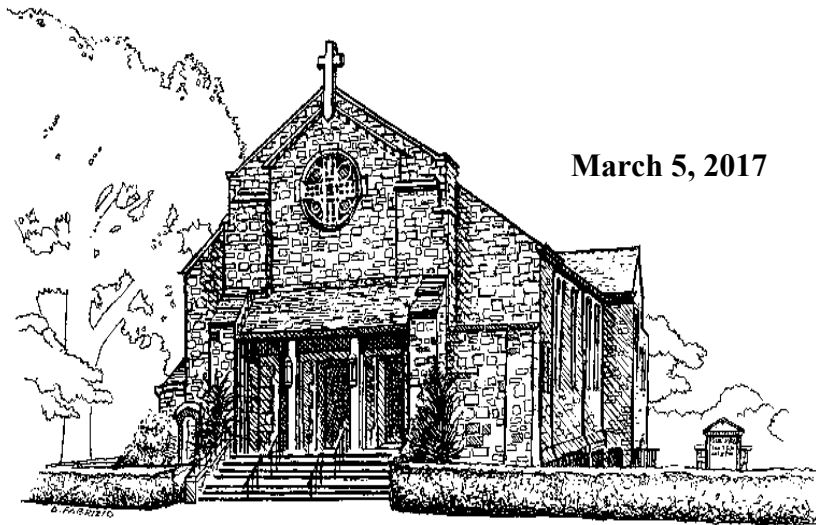


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March 5, 2017

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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: Thursdays - 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 5, 2017
First Sunday of Lent
Mass Intentions

SAT. 3/4	5:00 p.m.	FRANCESCO COSENTINO
SUN. 3/5	7:00 a.m.	D'IMPERIO & MERCURIO FAMILY
	8:30 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	10:00 a.m.	WILLIAM HAMMEL
	11:30 a.m.	HELEN MC CAFFREY
	5:00 p.m.	CARL A. LAMBIASI, SR.
MON. 3/6	6:45 a.m.	JACK O'CONNELL
	9:00 a.m.	SCAPPATICCI FAMILY
TUES. 3/7	6:45 a.m.	FRANCESCO COSENTINO
	9:00 a.m.	TOMMASSO ROSSINI & ANGELA GIORGI
WED. 3/8	6:45 a.m.	ROCCO SCHEPIS
	9:00 a.m.	LUCIA & AQUILINO TAVOLETTI
THU. 3/9	6:45 a.m.	ALFONSO & MARIA IACONIANNI
	9:00 a.m.	CARMELA PISCOPO
FRI. 3/10	6:45 a.m.	ANTONIO ROSSI
	9:00 a.m.	LIDIA BRASESCO
SAT. 3/11	9:00 a.m.	ANTONINA ROSSI
	5:00 p.m.	JOSEPHINE & ANTHONY COPPOLA
SUN. 3/12	7:00 a.m.	PEOPLE OF ST. GREGORY
	8:30 a.m.	VICTORIA BRUNETTI
	10:00 a.m.	JOSEPHINE & JOSEPH DE MAIO
	11:30 a.m.	TERESA & VINCENT MIGLIACCIO
	5:00 p.m.	MARIO (MARTY) SILLUZIO



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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PLEASE NOTE: Adoration will not be offered during the month of March. It will resume on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 7 p.m.

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

THE 2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL Prayerfully consider your sacrifice. The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal serves many diverse communities across our 10 counties. As Disciples of Christ, we are called to share our gifts with our brothers and sisters. Even small sacrifices can make a big impact. Please answer the call and make your commitment today. Make an online gift today - www.cardinalsappeal.org. Thank you for your generosity.

ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING MASS CELEBRATION Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life + Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of N.Y.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS We will have Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at 7:00 p.m. beginning on March 10th.

FINANCIAL CORNER: Our Sunday collection for Sunday, February 26, 2017 was \$8,935.00. Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity.

LENTEN MEN'S EVENING RETREAT
Evening includes Mass, a Lenten Reflection given by Fr. Steven Reilly, LC and Fr. Stephen Dyas, LC and confession. Light dinner/snacks. Date: Wednesday, March 8 - Time: 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Church of St. Vito, 816 Underhill Ave., Mamaroneck, NY 10543. Cost is \$25 per person and registration is required. www.regnumchristinyctnj.org. Questions? Jeff Sprague - jeffsprague@optonline.net.

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL Saint Gregory the Great Early Childhood Enrichment Program will be holding its Annual Children's Carnival on March 25, 2017 in the school gymnasium. The rain/snow date is March 26, 2017. The theme this year is "It's A Small World." Come and enjoy the following: games, prizes, music, the balloon man, Chinese Auction, face painting, 50/50 raffles, vendors, and various foods (pizza frita, sausage/meatball wedges, hotdogs, hamburgers, Carvel). The Carnival is a wonderful way to spend a day with your family in a safe and secure environment.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. GREGORY THE GREAT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2017/2018
This program is at capacity for every grade level and we anticipate new students enrolling. 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 envelope number to complete registration. **WE CANNOT GUARANTEE PLACEMENT FOR LATE REGISTRATION.**
Phase 3: Late Registration - March 1-15 (LATE FEE: \$100). Fees: \$300 per child, \$375 per family; Communion Fee \$125/ Confirmation Fee \$150.

Wine & Hosts, Candles & Flowers

The Wine and Hosts this week have been donated in memory of Jean Stout and have been requested by Mary Corrado.

The Altar Candles this week have been donated in memory of The Coppola and Di Guglielmo Families and have been requested by Kitty Amelio.

The Flowers at the Shrine of Saint Anthony this week have been donated in memory of Jo Ann Scelia and have been requested by Diana Bilotto.

In Memory



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

Ann C. Kotzian



*The Lord, your God, shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve."*

* *Matthew 4:10*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Joan Anixt, Marianne Yusi Barber, Mary Ellen Beyer, Frances Bodycott, Sue Burger, Silvio Catalano, Anna Coppola, Matthew Coulter, Mark Davis, Gabrielle Di Carlo, Barrett Dorn, Brendan Dowd, David Fraioli & Family, Mary Gill, Brody Ryscik, William Lawrence, Sabrina Marciante, Angela Margiotti, Kristen McRedmond, Stephanie Merenda, Barbara Musemecci, Joanne Opava, Raymond Recchia, Carol Sheridan, Lee Ann Thomas, Monica Toro, Robert Travers, Beatrice Victory, Irma Vidal, Elizabeth West, Gregory Westfall, Donna Williams, Maggie Wunderlick—and for all who have requested a remembrance in our prayers.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalm — Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

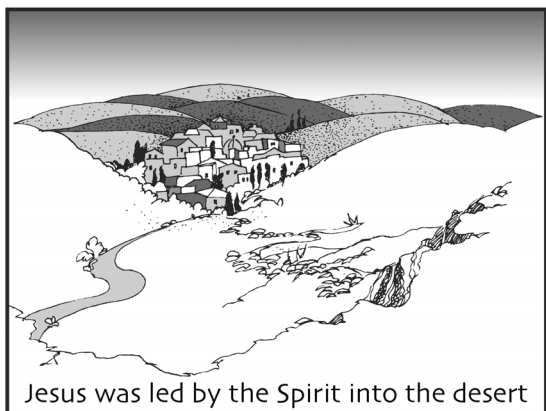
Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

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: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12
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 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Wednesday: St. John of God
Thursday: St. Frances of Rome
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: Purim (Jewish festival of the story of Esther) begins at sunset



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Dear Padre
March 5, 2017

Why is it OK to eat fish during Lent? What if I'm a vegetarian?

The other day I was grocery shopping. I bought chicken on sale for \$1 per pound and salmon for \$8.99 per pound. If penance were about being economical, I would be eating chicken. If penance were the same as living simply, I might give up both proteins for an egg or bean alternative. (If you asked my fellow priests, they might say all food is penance when I cook.)

The Catechism teaches, "The interior penance of the Christian can be expressed in many and various ways. Scripture and the Fathers insist above all on three forms, fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God, and to others" (CCC 1434). Notice the last word: others. Fasting and abstaining from meat during Lent are shared sacrifices and part of our Catholic identity and duty (Canons 1249-53). The pope in Rome, your grandmother in Milwaukee, Catholics in India, and our fellow Christians (if and when they participate) are all united by this common penance. You express that unity by eating fish on Fridays.

If you are a vegetarian or vegan, I encourage you to do something additional during the Fridays of Lent to reflect the spirit of discipline and self-denial. However you observe Lent, remember: All Catholics are united to each other and to God in our prayer, penance, and worship.

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