

# SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

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*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*August 4 & 5, 2018*

## FROM THE DESK OF THE "FLYING NUN"

Well here we are again saying good bye to July and welcoming the month of August. I hope you are enjoying these beautiful but hot summer days.

Today I would like to reflect on today's gospel of John 6:34-35.

So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

This passage begins Jesus' discourse on the Bread of Life which will be read at Mass over the next few weeks. We will see Jesus giving His followers so much more than mere bread and fish. We listen to Him speak of Himself as the true Bread from Heaven.

Sadly, many reject this precious teaching and gift and go their own way. But what about you? How often have you truly pondered these words of Jesus? "I am the Bread of Life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst!" Do you believe this? Deep within every human heart is a hunger and thirst that longs to be satisfied. We try to fill it with so many things, but in the end only one thing satisfies.

Jesus alone can satisfy the deepest longings of our souls. When you go to Mass, do you long to receive Him and enter into communion with Him? Perhaps, but perhaps not. We all need to redirect our desires towards our wonderful Savior, especially as He comes to us in the Eucharist.

Reflect today upon how deeply you believe in these words of Jesus. Do you regularly meet Him in the Eucharist? If you cannot say "Yes" to this in a complete and definitive way, then resolve today to renew your love for Jesus in the beautiful sacrament of the Eucharist.

God bless you all and have a wonderful week.

Sister Shawn Czyzycki

## **Donuts & Deacons**

Join us Sunday August 5, after the 9:30 Mass to meet some of the deacon candidates that we pray for at Mass every week. Paul Walter and Bob Warner will be available to talk with parishioners over coffee and donuts, to thank you for your prayers and support all these years and answer any questions regarding their experience of Deacon formation, and their upcoming Ordination on September 15, 2018.

## **RETIRED PRIESTS HEALTHCARE COLLECTION**

**Please support the healthcare of our retired priests!** Show your appreciation for the Diocesan priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to the second collection this weekend, **August 5 and 6**, to provide care for our retired priests.

## **PARISH SOCIAL/ NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME**

All parishioners, including new families, are invited to join us on August 12 for coffee, juice and donuts, after 9:30am Mass, in the Gathering Rooms. If you wish to join the parish, you may register at this time.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon. Aug. 6:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10

**Tues. Aug. 7:** Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Matthew 14:22-36

**Wed. Aug. 8:** Jeremiah 31:1-7; Matthew 15:21-28

**Thurs. Aug. 9:** Jeremiah 31:31-34; Matthew 16:13-23

**Fri. Aug. 10:** 2 Corinthians 9:6-10; John 12:24-26

**Sat. Aug. 11:** Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20

**Sun. Aug. 12:** 1 Kings 19:4-8 (116B); Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

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## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The eyes of faith

**Reading I** Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 (manna in the desert)

**Reading II** Ephesians 4:17, 20-24 (renewal in Christ)

**Gospel** John 6:24-28 (discourse on the bread of life)

**Key Passage** So they said to Jesus, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" (John 6:30)

**Adult:** *When has your faith helped you believe without "seeing signs" from God?*

**Child:** *Who helps you believe in things you cannot see?*

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## VOCATION VIEW

Jesus is for us the Bread from Heaven, which will never leave us hungry. How is Jesus asking you to help His people seek and find the bread that they are longing for? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr. Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the "Priest of the Month" stories on our website – [www.buffalovocations.org](http://www.buffalovocations.org)!

## HOUSE FOR HAITI

Fr. Gus Gordon gave an enlightening homily about the people in Haiti and the difference between being poor and "disenfranchised." The vision of 800,000 people living in a 2 square mile radius because they are waiting for the garbage trucks to come, so they can pick through the garbage to get their food and feed their family, and the fact they have no bathrooms or any of the "Basic" needs made me cry. We are so blessed in this country and in our community of St. Gregory's in Williamsville, NY. We have approx. 5000 families at St. Gregory's and it was placed on my heart to ask you to please join me and the Ladies of the Lord in funding a home which will be matched by a donor in South America. TWO for the price of one! If we could have 35 families donate \$100.00 we could do this! Please pray about it and if you can bring or send a check to the office made out to St. Gregory the Great, with the amount and in the memo write HOUSE/Food For The Poor. On the envelope att: Dawn Curazzato/Ladies of the Lord

## Wedding Anniversary Mass

A special Mass and renewal of vows will be celebrated by Bishop Malone for couples celebrating their 50th, 60th or 70th Wedding Anniversary for the year of 2018. Join Bishop Malone on Sunday, October 14, at 10:30am at St. Joseph Cathedral located in downtown Buffalo. Following the Mass, formal pictures of the couple with Bishop Malone will take place in the Lady Chapel located to the left of the main sanctuary. If you wish to attend, please call Jo in the Parish Office at 688-5678 by August 24.



## Download the St. Gregory the Great Mobile App!!!



Take St. Gregory's wherever you go. The mobile app provides you with daily readings, the weekly Bulletin and over 40 different prayers! We will also send you inspirational thoughts and messages every day.

To download the app follow these simple steps:

- 1) Visit the App Store or Play Store
- 2) Search "St. Gregory the Great"
- 3) Download the mobile app!
- 4) Allow St. Gregory's to send you notifications

## Catechist's Corner

*The role of a catechist is to teach our faith by word and example.*

**FFF Catechists Needed for the 2018-2019 school year!** Lesson plans and all materials needed to teach are provided. If you're not sure, try volunteering as a substitute-you'll find the time so rewarding!

**FFF Weekly programs run from September - April:**

**Mondays** (4:30 pm - 5:45 pm): We need a Catechist for Grade 2 and a Co-Teacher for Grade 3.

**Wednesdays** (4:30 pm - 5:45 pm): We need a Catechist for Grades 1, 3 and 4.

**Saturdays** (9:00 am - 10:30 am): We need a Full-time aide for Little Cherubs, a Co-Teacher for Grade 1 and a Catechist for the following grades: Grades 3,5 & 6.

**Monthly FFF (Aka Generations of Faith) programs run from September - April and meet once a month:**

**Session B** (Sunday 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm): Need Catechists for Grades 3,6,7 and 8.

**Session C** (Thursday 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm): Need a Catechists for Grade 1,6,7,8 and 9.

If you feel that this is what God is calling you to do, or you just want more information, please contact Joan Rischmiller at the Family Faith Formation Office at **688-5760**.



**20th Annual Great Dinner Auction  
 "An Evening in Monte Carlo"**  
 Saturday, November 3, at Salvatore's Italian Gardens  
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Save the date and join us at Salvatore's Italian Gardens for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Dinner Auction on Saturday, November 3, 2018. This year's theme is "An Evening in Monte Carlo". Chaircouples Matt & Kelly Doktor and Steve & Maria Glamuzina have begun plans for the grand event. Initial meetings and early planning have begun and committees are being formed for the largest parish fundraiser of the year. Proceeds from the Auction will benefit the entire school and parish family. Be part of making it a great success! If you would like to help out, donate or get involved, please contact the Auction Office at [dinnerauction@gmail.com](mailto:dinnerauction@gmail.com) or 688-5678 x 337.

**WOMEN'S ENRICHMENT MINISTRY**

**PRESENTS**

**"LET THE SPIRIT SET YOU FREE"**

**A WOMEN'S DAY OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL**

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2018**

**AT 10 :00 AM**

***....for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14:17***



**TRISH SHORT -NATIONAL CATHOLIC SPEAKER, AWARDWINNING CATHOLIC SINGER/ SONGWRITER & PRO-LIFE ADVOCATE.** A much sought-after speaker and musician, Trish's music and personal witness testify to the **TRANSFORMING POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**, Who changes lives through the Love and Mercy of God. Trish is best known as one of the singers of "The Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Song" which has aired on EWTN since 2002. Open the windows of your soul and let the Holy Spirit in! When: Saturday, September 22, 2018, 10:00 am (doors open at 9:45 am) until 3:00 pm Where: St. Gregory the Great Ministry Center, 220 St. Gregory Ct., Williamsville, NY 14221 **Cost: \$35-** "This Spa for the Women's Soul" includes prayer, spiritual activities, music and song with Sydnie & Joana Perkins from St. Luke's Voices of Mercy along with Nancy Erdman. You can relax, and renew your faith with fellowship and fun, enjoy morning and all-day refreshments, and lunch by Cenzo's Catering. Kindly make checks payable to St. Gregory the Great, with "Women's Enrichment 9/22 Event" in the memo and return with registration form by mail to St. Gregory the Great, 200 St Gregory Ct, Williamsville, NY 14221. Your completed form with payment may also be placed in the collection basket at Mass. For more information contact Joy Bila at [jbila@hotmail.com](mailto:jbila@hotmail.com) or phone 834-0128.

**Kindly RSVP no later than Sunday, September 16**

**I will Attend the Women's Enrichment Ministry's Day of Spiritual Renewal with Trish Short on 9/22/18**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Dawn Iacono

[stgregsmoms@gmail.com](mailto:stgregsmoms@gmail.com)



## Respect Life

### **Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life:**

Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York and Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities, invites all people to join in a prayer campaign that the change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. As soon as Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy announced his retirement, pro-abortion groups began lobbying the U.S. Senate to reject any nominee who does not promise to endorse Roe v. Wade. While the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops does not support or oppose the confirmation of any presidential nominee, we can and should raise grave concerns about a confirmation process which is being grossly distorted by efforts to subject judicial nominees to a litmus test of support for Roe v. Wade. And we must pray.

**“Each Friday, from August 3 - September 28, 2018, I urge all people of good will to join me in prayer that this change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life.”** The USCCB Call to Prayer network will share prayers and educational resources and an invitation to fast on Fridays for this intention.

*May Our Lady of Guadalupe intercede for the healing of our nation and our people from decades of abortion on demand.”*

Call to Prayer materials will be accessible at <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/take-action-now/call-to-prayer/legal-protection-of-human-life.cfm>. Those wishing to join this nine-week prayer effort can sign up at [www.usccb.org/pray](http://www.usccb.org/pray) to participate in this and subsequent Call to Prayer initiatives via email or text message.

### **Grilling at the Café!**

Join us for lunch every Wednesday and Friday afternoon as we will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages. Also, come anytime for lunch and breakfast and enjoy our delicious breakfast sandwiches.

### **LADIES OF THE LORD...**

On August 9th, the Ladies of the Lord will begin their meeting in the Gathering Room at 7:00pm with song/ Hail Holy Queen, recitation of the Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet and readings from the Catholic Catechism, Bible and St. Faustina's Diary, followed by a power-point presentation on important sites in Poland by Fr. Matt Nycz from Blessed Sacrament Parish. Fr. Matt will share pictures of a recent Poland pilgrimage and he will discuss possible up-coming pilgrimages as well as the importance of Divine Mercy for these times. Q & A time permitting, followed by fellowship. All are welcome.

## **EMERALD IRELAND TOUR**

**11 DAYS: November 6-16, 2018**

**\$2849 Roundtrip from Toronto**

*(Air/land tour price is \$2349 plus \$500 govt. taxes & airline surcharges)*

**Hosted by  
Msgr. Robert E. Zapfel**

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Tel: (716) 835-8905  
Email: [office@stleothegreatamherst.com](mailto:office@stleothegreatamherst.com)**

## **St. Gregory the Great**

**Sunday**

**September 23**

**12:00 noon-5:00 pm**

**in the  
Ministry Center**



**Family Bills Day**

**CHIAVETTA'S  
Barbeque Take-Out**

**Watch the  
Buffalo Bills**

**vs.  
Minnesota  
Vikings**

**Admission is FREE!**



## Family Faith Formation

FFF Office Summer hours: Monday - Thursday,  
from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

### Family Faith Formation Registration:

Weekly FFF Classes begin the week of September 10.  
To register for the 2018-2019 school year, please register  
online: [www.stgregs.org/register-now/](http://www.stgregs.org/register-now/)



During Disciple Camp, Fr. Paul gave students a special blessing to Start Disciple Camp, then went to each classroom to bless student Bibles.



Disciple Camp students show us their Rosaries after they prayed at the Grotto.

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## Health Ministry

RESPITE for Memory Care is now accepting Registrations for NEW CLIENTS. Do you have a loved one or know someone who would enjoy joining our Memory Care Group for monthly Socialization, Activities and Lunch? Our Volunteers offer a Respite Care Program the first Saturday of the month here at St. Greg's from 11:00am – 2:00pm in the Gathering Rooms. If you know someone who would benefit from our program please call the Parish Nurse office for information: 688-5678 Ext.339. May the Lord bless all those who provide this beautiful ministry and all who will come to take part in it.

## "SPIRITUAL SPINS & GRINS"

*From Father Francis*

A good marriage is that in which each appoints the other guardian of their solitude. [Rainer Maria Rilke]

### Marriage Moment

"The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron." (Exodus 16:2) Sometimes there are plenty of reasons to grumble in marriage – not enough money, something breaks, your spouse forgot to get gas... Let's call for a grumble-free day; or at least if a grumble occurs to you, put it in the perspective of all the blessings of your life together.

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### Parenting Perspective

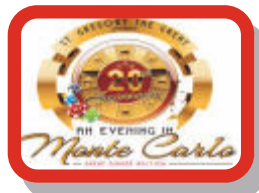
As older children continue their schooling this fall, it's tempting to want to pour all your protective wisdom into them, especially around issues of faith. As they age, however, "share your faith struggles, not just your certainty."

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### MOMS: Calling all Catholic mothers...

Interested in knowing more about the MOMS Ministry at St. Greg's?

Stop in to the Gathering Room after all the Masses August 25/26 for FREE coffee & donuts. Come and see what MOMS is all about; bring the kids, talk to MOMS members, learn about the free babysitting, watch a video & grab registration cards. No time to stop by? Contact Dawn Iacono at [stgregsmoms@gmail.com](mailto:stgregsmoms@gmail.com) for more info, Lorianne McNamara about free babysitting 507-2026 and Mary Sendlack about Playgroup 982-5120.



### Gift-Gathering Party Time

Everyone loves an excuse to party. Host a gift-gathering party to support St. Greg's annual dinner auction and have fun while supporting the parish's largest fund raising effort. Contrary to popular belief, a gift-gathering party does not have to be a lavish large catered affair to be a success. The best parties are simple and easy. How about coffee and donuts with friends, a kids pool party, wine and cheese with the neighbors? The possibilities are endless! For more information on how to host or plan your own party, please contact Auction Coordinator Cindy Reitebach at [dinerauction@gmail.com](mailto:dinerauction@gmail.com) or 688-5678 x337.

## Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Adam Jarosz: [ajarosz@stgregs.org](mailto:ajarosz@stgregs.org); Nicole Janecek: [njanecek@stgregs.org](mailto:njanecek@stgregs.org); Richard Patti: [rpatti@stgregs.org](mailto:rpatti@stgregs.org)  
~ 688-3578

**Middle School:** Visit [stgregsym.org](http://stgregsym.org) for more information!

### **Mass and Lunch: August 6,13**

Join for Noon Mass, followed by food, fun, and friends afterwards!

### **Rooted: August 3, 10**

This brand-new bible study meets at 5:30pm and is open to everyone entering 8<sup>th</sup> grade or 9<sup>th</sup> grade this fall! If you want to explore the Catholic faith even further, this is for you!

### **Movie Nights: August 3, 10**

Join us at 7pm on the front lawn of the Ministry Center for food, games, and a bonfire! When the sun goes down, enjoy a giant screening of our featured movie!

If you have any questions about Middle School Ministry, feel free to contact Nicole!

**High School:** Visit [stgregsym.org](http://stgregsym.org) for more information!

### **SWAT Team: August 7, 14, 21**

SWAT (Spiritual Weapons and Tactics) is our high-school prayer group designed for those who want to dive deeper into the Bible and explore the Catholic faith. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00pm for discussion or simply adoration time! Food and fun is included!

### **Mass and Lunch: August 8, 15, 22**

Join us for noon Mass, followed by food and fun afterwards. Every Wednesday at 12:00 noon!

### **High-School Hangout: August 6, 16, 23**

Join us every Thursday starting at 7:00pm for fun and games outside, a bonfire, s'mores, snacks and a movie projected onto the wall of the Ministry Center! All are welcome!

**Female Community Group:** All high-school girls welcome! Meets **Wednesday, August 22**, at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center! Join for great discussion, prayer and much more!

If you have any questions about High-School Ministry, feel free to contact Richard!

## Young Adult Ministry

**Young Adult Summer Lineup:** Open for all 18-30 somethings.

**Oasis Magazine and website:** Sign up for the online magazine for young adults both home and away for original content to keep you fresh. Take a look at the website ([stgregsYM.org](http://stgregsYM.org)) or follow us on Instagram [@stgregsyounadults](https://www.instagram.com/stgregsyounadults) for events and gatherings.

### College

**College Summer Lineup:** Open for recent High-School Grads to recent College Grads.

**College Life returns this fall** - We'll be back to break open the Faith and build community in a big way. We're revamping College Life for this fall and will be open to all college students nearby. Stay tuned for dates!

### HELP WANTED

Would you like to help out the future church? Do you enjoy working with middle-schoolers or high-schoolers? Are you looking for a way to get involved at St. Greg's? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, we'd love to have you join the St. Greg's Youth Ministry team! With a constantly expanding ministry, we at SGYM, are always in need of any help that we can get from fantastic people like you! Please consider using your gifts and talents to help out the youth of this parish! Feel free to contact us anytime!

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## Senior Citizens

**Monday, August 13;** Monthly meeting, **2:00-4:00 pm** in the Ministry Center with a White Elephant sale and ice cream social, as well as election of officers. Brian Carrier will be available to replace watch batteries.

**Monday, August 20;** Seneca Niagara Casino, \$16 per person. \$25/Slot Dollars plus \$5/food voucher. Bus departs St. Gregory's Ministry Center at 8:30 am and returns at 3:30 pm. Valid Government Photo ID required.

**Tuesday, August 28;** Seneca Allegany Casino Customer Appreciation Day, \$30 per person, \$30/Slot Dollars and free buffet lunch. Bus departs St. Gregory's Ministry Center at 9:00 am and returns at 5:00 pm. Valid Government Photo ID required.

**September 13-18; Nashville, Tennessee, motorcoach, featuring the Grand Ole Opry, \$745/person double occupancy.** 5 nights lodging and breakfasts, 3 dinners including Nashville Nightlife Dinner Theatre, performances at Grand Ole Opry and Texas Troubadour Theater and much more. Reservations/deposit due by August 15.

For travel reservations/information, call Nancy at 631-5313.

**For future trips, payment is now required when making reservations and/or a deposit on overnight trips.**

### Out of Parish

**Anointing of the Sick Healing Mass in honor of St. Peregrine** will be held on Thursday, August 9, at 7:00 pm at Holy Trinity Church, 1032 Central Ave., Dunkirk. Fr. David Bellittiere and the Friends of St. Peregrine cordially invite those afflicted with cancer or in need of special healing, who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, to attend this healing Mass. For further information, call 716-283-0011 or visit [www.stperry.org](http://www.stperry.org).

**National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima** will be at Our Lady of Pompeii church for Veneration on Tuesday, August 14, from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. a vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption will be celebrated followed by the Rosary and presentation by Mr. Bill Sockey, who is the custodian of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue and travels with the Statue throughout the United States. Stockey will present the Message of Our Lady of Fatima, that will include the five reasons for reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and the promise by Our Lady of Fatima that was confided to Sr. Lucia, one of the three children who witnessed the Marian apparitions at Fatima.

**Venerate the National Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, pray the Rosary, and hear the Message of Fatima.** Join us on the feast of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Wednesday, August 22 as St. Leo the Great, 885 Sweet Home Rd., Amherst welcomes the national traveling Fatima statue for the day. We will begin with morning Mass at 8:00 am in the chapel, and the statue will be venerated all day in the main church. At 6:30 pm there will be recitation of the Holy Rosary and a talk on the Message of Our Lady of Fatima by the statue's custodian, Bill Sockey. The statue was blessed by Pope Paul VI in 1967 in honor of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima. It was entrusted to the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA, headquartered at the Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Washington, NJ. It is a public association of the faithful under the Pontifical Council for the Laity in Rome. For more information, visit <http://ourladyoffatimabuffalo.wordpress.com/pilgrim-virgin-statue-comes-to-buffalo-this-august/> and [www.stleothegreatamherst.com](http://www.stleothegreatamherst.com).

### **Concert with David Haas and Lori True**

Join us on Saturday, September 8, for a one-time event and a day's worth of activities with world-renowned composers, musicians, artists, teachers and mentors, Mr. David Haas and Ms. Lori True, at Sacred Heart R. C. Church. 380 East Fairmount Ave., Lakewood, NY 14750. It begins at 9:00am with a Workshop/Retreat. Tickets are \$15 and include lunch. Later that day, is a concert by David & Lori featuring many of their spiritual compositions as well as some new ones. Doors open at 6:30pm, concert 7:00pm. Concert tickets are \$20 if purchased online, after Mass at Sacred Heart and local parishes, or \$25 at the door. For tickets for your parish or information, call Maria Perron at 716-490-

### Parish Activity Calendar

#### **Sunday, August 5**

#### **Monday, August 6**

- 9:30 am Theater Camp (MC Gym)
- 10:30 am Senior Citizens Board Meeting (MC 1)
- 12:00 pm Youth Ministry Mass, Lunch & Games (MC Gym/Foyer)
- 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (GR 1&2)

#### **Tuesday, August 7**

- 9:30 am Theater Camp (MC Gym)
- 6:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church Crying Room)
- 7:00 pm Parish Executive Council Meeting (MC Café)
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry S.W.A.T. (MC Basement)
- 7:30 pm Baptism Class (MC 2)

#### **Wednesday, August 8**

- 9:30 am Theater Camp (MC Gym)
- 10:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (MC Foyer)

#### **Thursday, August 9**

- 9:30 am Theater Camp (MC Gym)
- 7:00 pm Ladies of the Lord Meeting (GR 1&2)
- 7:00 pm Youth Ministry High School Hangout (MC Gym, Basement, Front Lawn)

#### **Friday, August 10**

- 9:30 am Theater Camp (MC Gym)
- 5:30 pm Youth Ministry Middle School Prayer Group (MC Basement)
- 7:30 pm Youth Ministry Middle School Movie Night (MC Gym/Lawn)

#### **Saturday, August 11**

- 10:00 am Women's Enrichment Coordinators Meeting (MC 1)

#### **Sunday, August 12**

- 10:30 am Parishioner Social (GR 1)

### St. Greg's School

#### **OPEN REGISTRATION - GRADES K-8**

Have you thought about providing your children with a faith-filled education opportunity? St. Gregory the Great School offers a strong spiritual and academic program forming disciples for the future.

We are currently opening registration for the 2018-19 school year. Call the school at 688-5323 for a private tour.

### Out of Parish (Cont.)

**St. Gabriel's Car Raffle**, Friday, August 10, 7:00-10:00 pm, at 5271 Clinton St., Tickets \$50 available at 668-4017. There will be 43 cash prizes and the grand prize of a 2018 Chevrolet Car or \$20,000 cash. Sandwiches and refreshments will be served.

**St. Joseph University Church Big Band Concert & Dance**, August 19, 7:00-9:00 pm, at 3269 Main Street, Jim Tudini Band with Bobby Militello. Donations are \$10 at the door. There will be theme baskets and beverages and light snacks available for purchase. Information: (716) 833-0298.



## Mass Schedule

### **Saturday, August 4 –**

#### **Vigil Masses**

- 4:00 pm Joseph Dale Messmer by Family  
Dr. Thomas A. Hassenfratz  
by Lee & Hank Merletti
- 5:30 pm Jim & Louise McPartlan by Family

### **Sunday, August 5 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 am Juanita Schober by Mike & Kathy Deakin
- 9:30 am Living & Deceased Members of Anastasia Family by Michelle Bertola  
Joseph Setlock by Luciella Lydon
- 11:00 am Marion Rauh by Rauh Family  
Peter Hartmann by Widmer Family
- 12:30 pm Rose Hoelscher by Christine Balcerek  
Tina Mendola by Christi, Brian  
& Jake Carroll
- 4:30 pm Juanita Schober by Tom & Karen Murrer

### **Monday, August 6 – Transfiguration of the Lord**

- 7:00 am Parishioners of St. Gregory's
- 8:00 am John Ryan by Rick & Beth Gerrish  
Phyllis Haberer by Patricia Davis
- 12:00 pm Donald Eppolito  
by Marilyn & Joe Di Vincenzo  
Catherine Laski by Nancy Allaire Donohue

### **Tuesday, August 7 – St. Sixtus II**

- 7:00 am Dr. Thomas Cumiskey by Estate
- 8:00 am Daniel T. Kirst by Bob & Barbara Klocke  
Bill Bender by Judi & Bob Moses
- 2:00 pm Edward J. & Natalie F. Mack by Estate  
Richard Neil by Marilyn Boehler

### **Wednesday, August 8 – St. Dominic**

- 7:00 am Robert Schifferli (anniv)  
by Robert & Michelle Schifferli
- 8:00 am Elsie Yauchzy by Daughter, Judy Klug  
Arthur Kolb by Family
- 12:00 pm George Charley by Family  
Elizabeth Mastrantonio  
by Nick & Rose Marie George

### **Thursday, August 9**

- 7:00 am Dr. Milford Maloney  
by Dr. & Mrs. Eugene Beltrami
- 8:00 am Nicholas Willett by Benjamin, Cameron  
& Charlotte Willett  
Isabelle Ciatello  
by Mary Jo & Jim Contino
- 12:00 pm Ceil Breen by Husband, Bob & Daughter,  
Kristen  
Anthony D. Vetrano  
by Paul & Ellie Catalano

### **Friday, August 10 – St. Lawrence**

- 7:00 am John & Joyce Ambrosoli by Estate
- 8:00 am John Tronolone by Family  
Daniel Knoll by Wife & Sons
- 12:00 pm Richard J. Vivacqua (birth)  
by Mary Kate Vivacqua  
Daniel T. Kirst by Joanne Wisniewski

### **Saturday, August 11 – St. Clare**

- 8:00 am Marcia Gambino (birth) by Jack Gambino  
Daniel Kirst by Barbara Pelosi
- 2:00 pm Wedding: Catherine R. Frandina  
& John R. Mackovic

#### **Vigil Masses**

- 4:00 pm Andrew John Sobczyk by Mom, Dad,  
Amanda, Nick, Luke & Jacob
- 5:30 pm Margaret S. Burns by Patricia Bellone  
John Culkin (birth) by Wife, Joanne  
& Family

### **Sunday, August 12 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 am Mildred Reid by Carol Reid & Joyce Knoll
- 9:30 am Rose Hoelscher by Grandchildren
- 11:00 am Arlene Mruk by Husband, Norbert  
George Ziggrossi by Mary Pope  
& Daughters
- 12:30 pm DeAnn T. Nicolaio by Parents  
Marilyn Reinhart by JoJo & Katie Palumbo
- 1:30 pm Baptisms
- 4:30 pm Devin J. Waring by Jewula Family

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#### **DECEASED**

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The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed daily after the 7:00 am Mass as well as before the 8:00 am Mass, which includes praying for those in the Military, especially those in harm's way. It is also prayed after the 8:00 am Mass and Rosary. Please join us in this powerful prayer which brings many blessings.

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## Mass Schedule

**SATURDAY:** 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

**SUNDAY:** 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am; 12:30 & 4:30 pm

**HOLY DAYS:** As listed in the Bulletin.

**WEEKDAYS:** (Monday-Friday) 7:00, 8:00 & 12:00 noon; (Saturday) 8:00 am only.

**For those who are unable to join us, all Masses can be viewed via the Web at: [www.stgregs.org](http://www.stgregs.org)**

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## Sacraments

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated the second and fourth Sundays after the 12:30 pm Mass - limit of six babies, ceremony only. All parents desiring Baptism for their child are asked to attend the Pre-Baptismal class at least two months prior to the Baptism. The class is held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 pm, in the Ministry Center, Room 2. If you have had another child baptized within the last three years, you may attend the class or come to the Parish Office to complete the necessary paperwork. Call Jo at 688-5678 to register.

### PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

First Fridays: 8:30-9:00 am; Saturdays: 2:30-3:45 pm, other times on request.

### WEDDINGS

Celebrated on Fridays (5:00 pm and 6:30 pm) and on Saturdays (10:00 am, 12 noon, and 2:00 pm). Either the bride or the groom must be a parishioner.

**Marriage Preparation** – Engaged couples should call the Parish Office at least six months before their wedding to make an appointment with a priest.

### MINISTRY TO SICK, HOSPITALIZED, AND SHUT-INS

Sick calls and emergencies – anytime day or night. Call 688-5678.

Please call the Parish Office to arrange to receive Holy Communion at home or to report the hospitalization of a parishioner.

**Anointing of the Sick** – This Sacrament is administered the first Saturday of each month immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass.

## Prayer and Devotion

### PERPETUAL ADORATION

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### PRAYER

- The **Rosary** is prayed publicly at the following times:  
Monday-Saturday, 8:30 am, Church; Monday-Friday, 12:30 pm, Church;  
Saturday 12 noon, Grotto or Church (Rosary For Our Country)
- Pray the Saturday Rosary at your convenience with our recording online, which can be found at [www.stgregs.org/mass-schedule](http://www.stgregs.org/mass-schedule)
- **Lectio Divina (Word of God)** – Wednesdays, 9:00-10:00 am, Gathering Room 2.

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