
CHURCH OF SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT
242-20 88TH AVENUE, BELLEROSE, NY 11426

Week of February 9, 2020
THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



COME ONE, COME ALL!!

**ST. GREGORY'S FAMILY
ICE SKATING NIGHT
At ICELAND**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH

5:00-7:00PM

Admission \$8.00
Tickets are sold at the door.



Parish Mission Statement:

St. Gregory the Great Parish, established in 1936, is a welcoming Catholic community serving the people of Bellerose, Floral Park, and environs. Pursuing holiness through the Eucharist, we strive to live out Jesus Christ's mandate of service, evangelization, and establishment of justice for all. Embracing the diversity and talents of our members, we seek the participation of everyone on the journey.

Parish Staff:

Msgr. Edward A. Ryan, Pastor
Rev. Johnson Nedungadan, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Szymon Galazyn, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Arthur Cutter
Deacon Robert Zeuner
Sr. Patricia Anglin, O.P., Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation
Ms. Lynn Alaimo, Academy Principal
Mr. Bart Haggerty, Director of Music Ministry
Rev. Joseph Cunningham, Pastor Emeritus
Mr. John Reh, Civil Trustee
Mrs. Patricia Brandt, Civil Trustee

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00PM
Sunday: 8:00AM; 9:15AM; 11:00AM; 12:30PM; 5:15PM
Weekdays:
Monday 9:00AM & 7:00PM
Tuesday - Friday: 7:00AM & 9:00AM
Saturday Morning: 9:00AM
Holydays: Vigil Mass: 7:30PM
7:00AM; 9:00AM; 7:30PM



Eucharistic Devotion: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place every Tuesday from the conclusion of the 9:00AM Mass until 10:30AM. Every First Friday of the month, there will be Eucharistic Adoration for Divine Mercy from the conclusion of the 9:00AM Mass until 10:30AM.

Contact Information:

Parish Office:

242-20 88th Ave.
Phone 718-347-3707
Fax 718-347-0583
Parish Website: saintgregorythegreat.com
Parish Email: stgregoffice@aol.com
Mrs. Lois Brady, Parish Receptionist
Miss Jennifer Kalin, Parish Receptionist
Mrs. Patricia McMenamin, Parish Secretary
Mr. Peter Varol, Parish Bookkeeper
Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday 9:00AM - 7:00PM
Fridays 9:00AM - 6:30PM
Saturdays 9:00AM - 11:00AM
Sundays 7:30AM - 1:00PM

Office of Faith Formation

Gregorian Hall
Phone 718-347-0525
Sr. Patricia Anglin, O.P., Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation
Ms. Kathy LaVache, Secretary
Office Hours:
Tuesday 10:30AM - 3:30PM
Wednesday 10:30AM - 3:30PM
Thursday 10:30AM - 3:30PM
Sunday 10:15AM - 11:30AM

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Academy of Bellerose

Address 244-44 87th Ave.
Phone 718-343-5053
School Website: sgtgca.org
Ms. Lynn Alaimo, Principal
Mrs. Camille Gunning, Secretary

Baptism: Baptism is celebrated on the Second Sunday of each month at 2:00PM and on the Fourth Saturday of each month at 12:00Noon. Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to meet with Deacon Zeuner.

Sacrament of Penance: The Sacrament of Penance is offered each Saturday at 1:00PM. and at other times by appointment with one of our priests.

Marriage: A couple planning marriage must make an appointment with one of our priests or deacons at least 6 months in advance of the marriage.

**ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
CATHOLIC ACADEMY**



FAITH FORMATION

In Music class this month, we are celebrating the music of Frank Sinatra as our "Composer of the Month."

We are also continuing our musical journey around the world, which began with our Christmas Concert. In celebration of Lunar New Year, we are traveling to China. Grades N-5 are learning various songs, both in English and in Chinese, and are using the songs to perform with their very own dragon dance!

The Junior High School grades are working on writing and performing their very own music, which can be used to create original songs!

Mr. William Ruvolo
Music Teacher Grades N-8

Religion classes for children in Grades 1 through 8 attending public school are held on Sunday mornings following the 9:15AM Family Mass at the Church.

Diocesan guidelines require two years of preparation for First Holy Communion. Children 6 years of age or older who have not been baptized must receive two years of instruction before receiving the sacrament of Baptism.

In all cases, parents/guardians must make an appointment to speak with Sr. Patricia Anglin at the Office of Faith Formation 718-347-0525.

RCIA - Have you received all your Sacraments of Initiation? If you are an adult, 18 years or older and interested in completing your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion) now is the time to register. Please contact Sr. Patricia Anglin at 718-347-0525 to make an appointment.

ALTAR SERVERS

ST. GREGORY'S THEATRE GROUP EVENT—
A SGTG "once in 4 years" fundraising event **Leap Day Soirée**. Join us on Saturday in the Oak Room of St. Gregory's. There will be food, music, games, raffle baskets for only \$30. Leap Day Babies – Get in FREE! GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

To reserve your place, call 718-989-2451 or email tickets@SGTG.org. Please purchase tickets by February 27th. Venmo: @StGregoryTheatreGroup
Ticket price includes: A Small Plate Menu prepared by award winning Culinary Arts Students of the New York City's Food and Finance High School, plus two drinks (soft drinks or wine/beer).

Do you love to sing? Take a leap of faith and sign-up for our "29 Minute" Open Mic /Karaoke Slots! You'll have the audience leaping to their feet with excitement! (To sign-up in advance go to:

SGTGKathy@aol.com or sign up on the 29th)

SAT. FEBRUARY 8TH

5:00PM Ryan McMenamin, Sean &
Nick Sweeney

SUN. FEBRUARY 9TH

8:00AM Nicholas Bustamante, Deborah Lagula
9:15AM Enda Heaney, Amelia Bhairo,
Tiffany Gadais
11:00AM Robert & Olivia Brandt,
Matthew Aguilar
12:30PM Caelin & Amelia DeJoie,
Breeanah Antoine
5:15PM Justin Brown, Dan Lewis, Clarens Zeno

SAT. FEBRUARY 15TH

5PM Lindsay Dominguez, Savannah DeJesus

SUN. FEBRUARY 16TH

8:00AM Nicholas Paliwoda, Carlos Guzman
9:15AM Shanel & Sayjel Tan, Mark Moritz
11:00AM Kennedy Artemus, PJ McMahan
12:30PM Miranda Reilly, Haily Adinolfi
5:15PM Jessica Flynn, Judee Yanesa,
Carys Laine Cox

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Week of February 9, 2020

SUNDAY

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY - BAKE SALE After morning Masses in Oak Room

RCIA 12:30PM Office Basement

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 1:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

BAPTISM 2:00PM Church

ALCOHOLICS ANON. OPEN 7:00PM Convent Basement

MONDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 4:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

PRAYER GROUP 7:30PM Gathering Space

HOLY NAME SOCIETY 7:30PM Oak Room

TUESDAY

ADORATION 9:30AM Church

CRAFT GROUP 9:30AM Green Room

GOLDEN AGE LEISURE 1:00-4:00PM Oak Room

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 4:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

CUB SCOUTS 6:00-9:00PM Oak Room

WEDNESDAY

STROKE LIFE SUPPORT 1:30-3:00PM Gathering Space

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 4:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

FOLK GROUP 7:15PM Office Basement

THURSDAY

GOLDEN AGE GHT 12:00-4:00PM Oak Room

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 4:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

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FRIDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 4:00-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

ALCOHOLICS ANON. STEP 7:00PM Convent Basement

ALCOHOLICS ANON. CLOSED 8:30PM Convent Basement

SATURDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOC. 9:00AM-9:00PM Gregorian Hall

PENANCE 1:00PM Church

MASSES FOR THE WEEK
Week of February 9, 2020

SUN. FEB. 9TH

8:00AM Vincent Bisci

9:15 Members of the Purgatorial Society

11:00 Robert Blick (1st Anniv. Rem.)

12:30PM Gregoria Velez

5:15PM All People of the Parish

MON. FEB. 10TH

9AM Rosemarie Russo

7PM Arthur Sonnick

TUES. FEB. 11TH

7AM

9AM Michael Ablaza & Family (L)

WED. FEB. 12TH

7AM Margaret & William Haslop

9AM Michelle Bandy & Family (L)

THURS. FEB. 13TH

7AM

9AM Denise Rettmer (Anniv. Rem.)

FRI. FEB. 14TH

7AM Joan Crimmins McCann

9AM James Toner

SAT. FEB. 15TH

9AM

5PM Rev. William Dulaney
(3rd Anniv. Rem.)

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:



FOR THE SICK

Modesto Ortiz, Mary & Patrick McKenna,
Judy Mahoney, Vincent Schaub, Cookie
Taormina, Charles Leidner, Pat Grippo,
Geo Rangero, Jeannette Previdi, Alysse &
Massimo Crescenzo, Grace & Kenny
Leuze

FOR THE DECEASED

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PASTOR'S DESK

2/9/2020

While I was in the hospital two weeks ago, I passed my 74th birthday. So, I am now within a year of the mandatory age that canon law has set for pastors to retire. With that in view, I wrote to Bishop DiMarzio last September requesting his permission to retire from the pastorate here at the end of the current pastoral and academic year.

The nearly eight years since I “came home” to St. Gregory’s have been among the happiest and most fulfilling of my priestly ministry. It has been such a joy to have memories of parishioners and events stretching back to my first arrival here more than 38 years ago. Yet, I no longer have the stamina and energy to provide leadership for this large and vibrant parish. If nothing else, my recent stay in the hospital confirmed what I said in my letter to Bishop DiMarzio, “The time has come for me to move on to the next stage of life and priestly ministry.” It is time for me to slow down and take more time for renewal. There are numerous opportunities for senior priests to engage in ministry, but at our own pace and according to our choosing. I fully intend to explore those possibilities and stay involved with priestly work without the burden of administration.

Bishop DiMarzio has replied to my request, informing me that “I am pleased to grant you permission to formally enter the ranks of our ‘senior priests,’ with residence at the Parish of St. Anne in Garden City, New York. This new assignment becomes effective on June 30, 2020.”

Monsignor Thomas Harold, the pastor of St. Anne’s, has very graciously invited me to take up residence in his rectory and assist him with the Mass schedule and other pastoral activities. I have accepted his invitation. Over the course of nearly three decades, I have performed more baptisms in St. Anne’s than in any church except the three to which I have been assigned; so I expect to see more than a few familiar faces there. Also, residence at St. Anne’s will enable me to remain close to the Bellerose-

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Floral Park area where I have come to feel very much at home. I will still be “in the ‘hood” so to speak, so that you may run into me in the bank or dry cleaners or CVS along Jericho Tpke. or in one or another of the local eateries.

You know that I love Lake Pocotopaug. At long last, I will get to realize my life-long dream of spending an entire summer there. It will give me an opportunity to unwind, to pray without distraction, to catch up at last on reading, to visit friends – and, yes, to ride some trains!

The friendships that I formed when I first came here have lasted for nearly four decades. They have been the source of tremendous support and joy for me, especially as I have watched children being born and grow into maturity and begin families of their own. I have no doubt that they will continue, and that the many friendships that have marked my more recent service here will likewise flourish.

May St. Gregory the Great continue to watch over and intercede for this marvelous parish and its people for years to come.



Parish Goal	\$86,100
Amount Pledged	\$93,933
Amount Received	\$90,085
Number of Pledges	314

THANK YOU, THANK YOU to all who have participated in the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal.

COLLECTIONS - The collections for the week of February 2nd amounted to \$11,297 for the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

BOY SCOUT SUNDAY is today. The Boy Scouts will have a **Bake Sale** in the Oak Room TODAY after the morning Masses. Please stop down and support the scouts!



BOOK CLUB - The selection for the next meeting, which will take place on Monday, February 10th, at 7:00PM in the Rectory Basement, is *All You Can Ever Know* by Nicole Chung. The selection for the March 9th meeting is *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Both books are available at the Belle-rose Public Library.



PRAYER SHAWL & QUILTING MINISTRY will meet on Tuesday, February 18th, 12:00-3:00PM in the Green Room, which is accessible by elevator and stairs. Light refreshments will be served. For questions, contact Maria Altamuro at 516-782-6278.

Come one, come all to St Gregory's Family Ice Skating Night. It will be held on Monday, February 17th and we have the **ice to ourselves** from 5:00-7:00 PM. Admission is \$8.00 and skate rental is \$6.00. All tickets can be purchased at the door that night and there is a snack bar, so come to Iceland located on Hillside Avenue in New Hyde Park and join the **Family Life Committee for a fun family night.**



SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE will take place in Gregorian Hall, 7:00-11:00PM. Music provided by The Tommy Mulvihill Band and County Tyrone Bagpipers. Full sit down dinner prepared on-site. Dinner includes, fresh corned beef, potatoes, vegetable, Irish soda bread, beer, wine, soda. Tickets are \$40 per person. Early purchase of tickets is recommended. Please contact Mike Sweeney at 917-567-8909, Bernie Sorrentino at 347-886-1061 or Tim Quinn at 718-347-5020 for tickets.



RENEW LIVE LENT - We are offering a special way to celebrate Lent 2020 using the *Renew Live Lent* program. Small groups will meet weekly for six weeks to read, pray and reflect on this special time using the *Renew Live Lent* booklets. Please complete the application below or found in the Gathering Space and return it to the Parish Office no later than February 17th, so that the groups can be planned. If you have been a member of one of the *Arise* or *Why Catholic* groups during the last two years, you are welcome to return to your group or to move to a new group. See the application form for more information.

RENEW - LIVE LENT 2020 REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

PHONE # _____

EMAIL _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

Have you been a member of the Arise or Why Catholic groups? _____

If so, which group?

Do you want to remain with your group or move to a new group?

If new or moving, please complete the section below:

Preferred Days/times of day (Please number 1-3 with 1 being most preferred.)

Sunday _____

Monday _____

Tuesday _____

Wednesday _____

Thursday _____

Morning _____ Afternoon _____ Evening _____

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DOMINICAN SISTERS OF AMITYVILLE will be present in the Gathering Space the weekend of February 15th/16th to sell chances for raffles at their fundraising event "Irish Night" on March 7th. This fundraiser will benefit the retired Sisters at the Motherhouse in Amityville. Please support the Sisters.

HEART TO HEART MINISTRY will celebrate **Love's Gift of Light**, a mini brunch retreat, on Saturday, February 15th, 9:30AM-12:00Noon, at the American Martyrs Sullivan Hall, located at 79-43 Bell Blvd., Bayside. Bring your mom, grandmother, sister, friend or neighbor and share in a morning of prayer, song and joy. For additional information or to register, please contact Sr. Ave at 718-428-2471. Visit Heart to Heart Ministry at www.h2h.nyc.



HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH will host its Annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, February 25th, at 6:00PM. Cost is \$10 for individuals and \$25 for immediate family. Please RSVP to 718-347-0278. Pancakes from A-Z!

SPECIAL NEEDS PARENTS GROUP - Parents/guardians with children/adults with all special needs or IEP's are invited to join us to share and exchange ideas in an informal setting. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 19th, at 10:00AM in the Religious Education Office of Sacred Heart, located at 216-01 38th Avenue, Bayside. For further information, please contact Georgette Lyons at 718-631-1307.

3RD ANNUAL BAYSIDE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE DINNER DANCE on Saturday, February 15th, at 7:00PM at Antun's, Queens Village. Tickets are \$100 per person, which includes open bar, dinner and live music from The Tommy Flynn Band. For information and tickets, please call Betty McLoughlin at 718-352-2452, Mary Montgomery at 718-229-8292 or Mary McCauley at 718-631-0552.

ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES OF BROOKLYN GIVES BACK - For each car, truck, or van, running or not, the Vincentian Charities will give back to our parish \$75-\$200 per vehicle. If you, a family member, or friend have an old or neglected vehicle that is not being used, please call 718-491-2525. IRS tax deduction and free towing.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSES:

Saturday, February 29th, 9:30AM-3:30PM, at St. Anne's Parish, located at 35 Dartmouth Street, Garden City. Cost is \$45. For more information, please contact Donald DePol at 516-775-3097. This course is sponsored by the Msgr. John Knights of Columbus Council #11836.

TRIPS

GOLDEN AGE LEISURE CLUB presents:

Overnight in Amish Country - November 4th-5th - "Deck the Halls" Christmas Show at the American Music Theatre and guided tour of Amish Country, a visit to an Amish home and Kitchen Kettle Village with the overnight stay at Hershey Farm Inn. Cost is \$240 per person double occu., \$303 single occu., \$224 triple occu. Deposit of \$50 due upon registration. For further information, please contact Finbar O'Sullivan at 718-343-0676.

Niagara Falls - June 1st-5th - Fully guided tour from arrival at hotel until departure, with 4 full breakfasts, 2 dinners, cruise on the Hornblower Boat, touring the Niagara area, Horseshoe Falls & Niagara on the Lake and much more. Cost is \$815 pp/dbl, \$748 pp/triple, \$1,125 single. For more information, please contact Finbar at 718-343-0676.

CASINO TRIP TO WINDCREEK, PA (formerly Sands) on Thursday, February 27th. Bus leaves promptly at 8:30AM in front of St. Josaphat's Church. Cost is \$30, get back \$25. for information and reservations, call Joy at 917-921-7631.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE to Budapest, Vienna & Prague - September 13th-21st. Spiritual Director will be Bishop James Massa. For a brochure, please call Regina Tours at 1-800-Catholi, ext. 250.

FAITH ON A JOURNEY - May 26th-June 3rd -Take your faith to Italy on this Catholic 9-day experience. Destinations include: Rome, Castel Gandolfo, Lancia, Loreto, Assisi and more with a return to Rome. Spiritual highlights with Papal Audience. Deposit of \$400 will reserve your space. For further information, contact Brian at 860-399-1785/Brian@Catholic Cruises and Tours.com