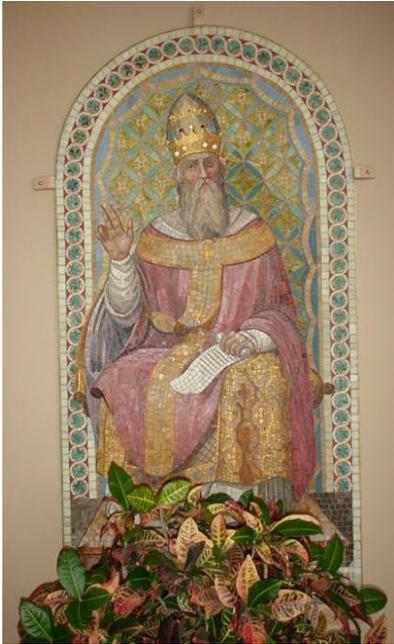

CHURCH OF SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT
242-20 88TH AVENUE, BELLEROSE, NY 11426

Week of July 12, 2020
THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**WEEKDAY & WEEKEND MASSES
HAVE RESUMED**

9:00AM WEEKDAY MASS
(This Mass will also be streamed)

SUNDAY MASSES
5:00PM Saturday,
8:00AM, 9:15AM, 11:00AM
12:30PM & 5:15PM

**If you have any questions, please contact
the Parish Office.**

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:

Rev. John O'Connor, Administrator
Rev. Johnson Nedungadan, 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
Msgr. Edward A. Ryan, Pastor Emeritus
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
Tuesday - Friday: 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 McMenamain, 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**

**For questions or registration, please call the
School Office at 718-343-5053.**



FAITH FORMATION

For registration or for any questions, please contact
Sr. Patricia Anglin at the Office of Faith Formation
718-347-0525.

ALTAR SERVERS

**AT THIS TIME ALTAR SERVING
IS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**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.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE is offered
each Saturday at 1:00PM and at other times by
calling to make an appointment with one of the
priests.

MARRIED

**RYAN IGLHAUT
And
DANIELLE TOWNS
July 11, 2020 - 3:30PM**



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

7/12/20

Matthew 13:1-23

How can I live a life where the seeds of faith planted in
me grow deep roots and strong structures?

How do I plant and nourish the seeds of faith and love
of God in those around me?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Week of July 12, 2020

**NO EVENTS SCHEDULED AT
THIS TIME**

Pope Francis' prayer for protection from the
COVID-19 virus.

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey
as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.
At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus'
pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of all the people,
know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that,
As you did at Cana of Galilee,
Joy and feasting might return
after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
To conform ourselves to the Father's will
and to do what Jesus tells us:
He who took our sufferings upon Himself,
and bore our sorrows to bring us,
through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

We seek refuge under your protection,
O Holy Mother of God.
Do not despise our pleas -
We who are put to the test -
And deliver us from every danger,
O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Amen

MASSES FOR THE WEEK
Week of July 12, 2020

SUN. JULY 12TH

8:00AM Lillian M. Smith (Anniv. Rem.)
9:15 Members of the Purgatorial Society
11:00 Rev. Msgr. Eugene Feldhaus
12:30PM
5:15PM All People of the Parish

MON. JULY 13TH

9AM Living Members of the Dayao Families

TUES. JULY 14TH

9AM Nina Yevoli (L), Margaret Smith

WED. JULY 15TH

9AM Breslin & Kelleher Family

THURS. JULY 16TH

9AM Walter & Matt Landry,
Cornelio & Maria Santiago &
Laura Martinez

FRI. JULY 17TH

9AM Denise Rettmer (Birth. Rem. 27 yrs.)

SAT. JULY 18TH

9AM Marie McGarry (9th Anniv. Rem.),
Mary K. Carroll,
Isabel Tameta Villar
5PM

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:



FOR THE SICK

Rico Adelan, Chanze DiMambro, Maureen
Campbell, Guillermo Dumalaos, Violetta
Sibuca, Loreto Acejo, Vincent Schaub,
Cookie Taormina, Pat Grippo, Geo
Rangero, Jeannette Previdi, Alysse &
Massimo Crescenzo, Robert Luckner

FOR THE DECEASED

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PASTOR'S PEN

7/12/20

I just finished my first streamed Mass from our cozy yet empty church. It's the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle and the staff is off for Independence Day. St. Thomas, like all the Apostles save John, was a martyr. After Pentecost he brought the Gospel and the Saving and Holy Name of Jesus East where tradition recounts that his life was ended in India.

The red vestments that I just wore in his remembrance are a sign of "total giving for the sake of Jesus." That phrase "total giving for the sake of Jesus" reminds me not just of the martyrs (ancient and recent) but also some who are still alive and well. At this moment I'm most aware of a certain Ned Ryan that you know so well. Whether you recall him as "Father Ryan" or "Monsignor" his life has been "total giving for the sake of Jesus;" total giving for the Church and especially St. Gregory's. We are all the recipients of God's Goodness for all he has been and all he has done in his two stints in Bellerose.

To be candid I was not that thrilled when the Bishop asked me to come to St. Gregory's. Not because of you but because of Msgr. Ryan. You never want to follow a pastor who is beloved. It is always easier to follow a pastor who was a "mess" and Father Ryan was no mess. So why did I say "yes?" I said yes because I know that over the years he taught you well the Gospel by word and example. I said "yes" because there is still more work to be done; more challenges to be met. We can't stop but rather we must continue his legacy by further immersing ourselves in the same Gospel he has shared with you these 18 years.

While I don't have Monsignor's gift of storytelling or his historic memory, and I very much doubt the Bishop will let me stay for 18 years, I can pledge to each of you that I will strive to be a servant of "total giving for the sake of Jesus."

God Bless,

Fr. John O'Connor

WELCOME FATHER CHRIS BETHGE!

I am very happy to announce that Father Chris Bethge will be coming to St. Gregory's to celebrate the Sacraments with us. Father Bethge was ordained June 27, 2015 and is a Faculty Member at Cathedral HS and Prep Seminary, Elmhurst as well as the assistant Vocation Director for the Diocese. Father's Vocation work calls him to often spend Sundays in the various parishes of the diocese. When not visiting around the diocese Father Chris has agreed to celebrate Mass at St. Greg's to help in light of Fr. Szymon's transfer. I know you will welcome him with kindness just as you have welcomed me since I arrived. – Father O'Connor



The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal to support the mission of the Diocese of Brooklyn has begun. This effort is vital to keep the services of the diocese in place and meeting the needs of a diverse population.

The incentive to surpass our goal this year is to help defray the cost of replacing the roof on Gregorian Hall, a project that must be undertaken soon due to multiple leaks.

Parish Goal:	\$99,015.00
Amount Pledged	\$52,609.00
Amount Received:	\$46,499.00
Parishioners	149

COLLECTIONS - The collections for the week of amounted to \$ for the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

1CORINTHIAN CHAPTER 2, VERSES 1-5

“Friends, when I came and told you the mystery that God had shared with us, I didn’t use big words or try to sound wise. In fact, while I was with you, I made up my mind to speak only about Jesus Christ, who had been nailed to a cross. At first, I was weak and trembling with fear. When I talked with you or preached, I didn’t try to prove anything by sounding wise. I simply let God’s Spirit show his power. That way you would have faith because of God’s power and not because of human wisdom.”

To my lovely Parishioners, my dear Brothers and Sisters from St. Gregory the Great, Bellerose, How time flies! It seems like it was only yesterday when Bishop Nicholas DiMarzio sent me, newly ordained to priesthood, to you, my first parish. With the warm welcome, this parish quickly became my family and together we experienced the joy of Baptisms, first Communions, Confirmations, and celebrations of the Eucharist as well as the sadness of praying by the bedside of a loved one, anointing them with the soothing oil of God’s tenderness, and the indescribable grief at the prayer service in the funeral home, yet filled with hope for eternal life. United in faith and love for Christ, we went through many different things together, in smooth and rough waters. In the end, we became closer to one another as a parish family. I leave with the great treasure of your trust in sharing your lives with me and the precious memories of our togetherness.

I give my heartfelt thanks to everyone.

Msgr. Edward A. Ryan, Pastor: You made me a wonderful home in Bellerose and made me feel the same way I feel when with my family in Poland.

Fr. Johnson Nedungadan: You showed me what real brotherhood is. You taught me, by example, that priests should always take care of the sick, just like the Good Shepherd who cares for every sheep in His flock, strong or weak, faithful or lost. I value your counsel.

Fr. Oliver Onwubiko: I always enjoyed the time you are here. During this Covid 19 pandemic, your help has been most valuable.

Deacons Arthur Cutter and Robert Zeuner: I appreciate your service at Holy Mass. I’m grateful also to the *lectors* and *extraordinary ministers* and *ushers*.

Sr. Patricia Anglin, O.P.: You helped our young people gain more knowledge of our faith.

Ms. Lynn Alaimo, Academy Principal: You always welcomed me with a big smile.

Mr. Bart Haggerty, Director of Music Ministry: I always enjoyed your music selection and also the Latin chants. Your singing and the choir’s enhance the celebration of the Eucharist.

Mrs. Patricia McMenamin, Parish Secretary: You always helped me with the altar servers. Thank you also for helping me obtain the Baptismal Certificate of my great grandmother who was born in Pittsburgh, PA and baptized at St. Stanislaus Kostka R. C. Church.

Mrs. Lois Brady, Parish Receptionist: You never failed to inform me whenever a package from my family in Poland was delivered at the rectory.

Miss Jennifer Kalin, Parish Receptionist: You always gave me messages about a meeting with parishioners and sick people.

Mr. Peter Varol, Bookkeeper: You always helped me with my tax return and financial issues.

Angela Jaramello, Housekeeper: You kept my rooms always neat and clean, with the floor shining like a mirror! (My thanks to your husband, *Gustavo*, for efficiently doing repairs in my room.)

Maria, Rectory Cook: Whenever I saw your car, I knew it was time to carry the shopping bags from the vehicle to the rectory kitchen, which I happily did.

Altar Servers (Ryan McMenamin, Gabriel & Mikaela Tanlioco): You all did a great job!

The Choir and the Folk Group: You help the congregation lift up their hearts with your singing. “Those who sing, pray twice,” St. Augustine said.

Sincere thanks also to:

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Academy, for the nice time I had talking with the teachers, staff, and students.

The Religious Sisters, for your prayers and support. Special thanks to *Sr. Faustina* who sings energetically the Alleluia!!! during Mass.

The maintenance crew, for doing their job in the church.

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The Eucharistic Adoration group from St. Gregory and elsewhere (Tireless Coordinator, Edwina Dayao-Yevoli), for your devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We loved our "FaceTime" with Jesus at Adoration every Tuesday and first Friday of the month dedicated to the Divine Mercy, and at our first celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday last year. (Sorry, none this year due to the pandemic.)

All groups from the parish including the Renaissance, Athletic Association, Golden Age Leisure Club, for the delicious cake and cold milk you always set aside for me on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and the Craft Group, for the lovely sweater and shawl you knitted for my mom.

All my brothers and sisters who always delivered food and brought flowers for me to plant in the garden. Richard Lawlor, for always asking me how I am doing. You made me feel like a true brother in a family.

My Knights of Columbus brothers, for showing me how to be truly humble and how to truly love and pray.

The organizers and volunteers of the Annual Parish Festival, for a very enjoyable festival of rides, food, music, dancing, singing, and camaraderie. I always enjoyed being there.

And most certainly, to the members of our parish family and beyond, for all the loving care and generosity you gave me. Your gifts of prayers, words and gestures of support and encouragement, and many other forms of gifts are blessings I am forever grateful for.

As a parish family, we have focused a lot on the Eucharist and how to stir deeper devotion to Jesus in the Holy Sacrament. In my three years here, we have tried to bring even more life and energy to our services by, among other things, following the tradition of using bells and incense. Change is never easy. It sometimes hurts, causes confusion, or even stirs within us our deepest fears. May God give us the grace of an open heart and an open mind for our spiritual growth.

My dear parishioners, if I inadvertently left out someone in the list above, if there was anything I did that displeased you please forgive me. There was never any intention to offend. I apologize.

Know, my lovely parish family, that you will always hold a special place in my heart and that no matter where the Lord might call me to serve in the years ahead, I will always remember you and your loved ones in my prayers. You inspired me to be a parochial vicar "trying to do ordinary things in an extraordinary way." You helped me appreciate more the gift of laughter. Less uptight. More Smiling. Joking. I will be forever grateful that you respected my service during the celebration of Holy Mass. I am thankful for your patience, understanding, faith and above all...love.

Please always remember the immense value of the Sacrifice of the Mass. Receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Penance) and the Eucharist as well as Eucharistic Adoration and praying the rosary are most pleasing to God who gives us true peace and joy. Let us praise, worship and thank God each day of our lives!

May God abundantly bless you all!

Fr. Szymon Galazyn - Parochial Vicar, St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church, Bellerose, NY

July 7, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters - my former Parishioners I dearly love,

My time spent with You all was amazing and unforgettable. It personally meant so much to me to be with you in church, in the school, at dinners, social events, and restaurants around town.

You helped form me to be a good priest by being caring BROTHERS and SISTERS to me. I know I will bring a great deal of St. Gregory the Great, Bellerose, with me to my new parish, St. Mary Gate of Heaven, Ozone Park.

Settling down in my new parish, I hold as treasures all the THANK YOU CARDS, GIFTS, PHONE CALLS, VOICE MAIL MESSAGES, and PRAYERS I RECEIVED FROM YOU. I THANK YOU AGAIN FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART.

My Lovely Brothers and Sisters,

Do remember to stay close to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus. If you can attend the Eucharistic Adorations on Tuesday and first Friday of the month, as well as the Divine Mercy, then you will be responding to the Lord who asks us, "Can you not watch one hour with me?"

Please continue to go to Confession regularly and to Mass every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, and possibly also weekday Mass. Each Mass has an immense value, the greatest homage possible to Father God, thru, with, and in His Son, Jesus, in unity with the Holy Spirit.

I will always pray for you and hold you in my heart.

In Christ,

Fr. Szymon Galazyn - St. Mary Gate of Heaven, Ozone Park, NY 11416

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