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

Week of July 26, 2020
THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ASSUMPTION TRIDUUM:
AUGUST 12TH, 13TH & 14TH -
7:30PM
in Church



Each evening prayer service will take place before the Blessed Sacrament and conclude with Benediction.

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.



A WARM WELCOME. If you are new to our parish, please feel free to introduce yourself to the pastor, priests or one of the deacons after Mass today. We kindly invite you to come to the Parish Office and register as a member of St. Gregory's. Registration is important for all parishioners because then we are able to issue sponsor letters for Baptism, Confirmation and Matrimony. We also can give end of the year statements of your contributions to the church through regular use of the envelopes. We can also help you with letters of recommendation for employment, schools, etc. Your registration will also help us with our parish census in knowing the number of Catholics in the Bellerose area.

Thank you and welcome.

ATTENTION SUMMER TRAVELERS -



For nationwide Mass times and locations call 1-800-Mass times (1-800-627-7846) or www.MassTimes.org. Please don't ignore the importance of Sunday Mass every weekend of the

year. Don't miss out-wherever you are!

2020 MASS BOOK IS OPEN. The opportunity to pray



in a special way for the repose of the soul of a loved one or other prayerful intention is made available each day with announced Mass offerings. You may choose to commemorate a death anniversary, wedding anniversary, birthday remembrance or simply pray in

thanksgiving. Each offering is \$20.00. Please come to the Parish Office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones. You may also inquire about dedicating the Altar Candles & Sanctuary Lamp, Bread & Wine or the flower arrangements.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP AND ALTAR



CANDLES burning throughout the week of July 26, 2020, have been donated in loving memory of the Moroney & Higgins Family, requested by Eleanor Moroney.



FAITH FORMATION

To register for classes or for any questions, please contact 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.

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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

ALTAR SERVERS

ALTAR SERVING IS SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Matthew 14:13-21

How am I nourished spiritually and emotionally?
What can I do to provide such nourishment for others?

In what ways do I send needy people away or meet needy people where they are?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Week of July 26, 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 26, 2020

SUN. JULY 26TH

8:00AM Wilhelm & Marianne Grein
9:15 Members of the Purgatorial Society
11:00 Lester M. Cashin (Anniv. Rem.),
Brian Hross
12:30PM Mary & Robert Delio
5:15PM All People of the Parish

MON. JULY 27TH

9AM Marybeth & Marianne Konecsni

TUES. JULY 28TH

9AM Aldo & Connie Salustri

WED. JULY 29TH

9AM Rosalie, Mary & Frank Lorenzo

THURS. JULY 30TH

9AM Ida Siciliano (Birth. Rem.)

FRI. JULY 31ST

9AM Mae & John Konecsni

SAT. AUG. 1ST

9AM Gertrudes, Roario, Estelita &
Simeon DelaTorre
5PM Msgr. Eugene Feldhaus

Please be advised, there will no longer be a 7:00AM Mass offered during the week. If you had a mass intention scheduled for the 7:00AM Mass during the rest of this year, you can move it to the 9:00AM for the same day or pick a new date by contacting the Parish Office at 718-347-3707.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:



FOR THE SICK

Peggy Rivera, Rico Adelan, Chanze Di-Mambro, Maureen Campbell, Guillermo Dumalaos, Violetta Sibuca, Loreto Acejo, Vincent Schaub, Cookie Taormina, Alysse & Massimo Crescenzo, Robert Luckner

FOR THE DECEASED

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PASTOR'S PEN

7/26/2020

I officially became pastor of St. Gregory's last week! You might think that happens when the bishop comes for the Installation Mass or some documents are signed in front of the canon lawyers. It would be understandable to think I became pastor here when Msgr. Ryan gave me a big set of keys. None of that is true in reality. I became pastor here when Fr. Johnson told me that one of the air conditioning units in the church is not working. He further reminded me that I was the pastor a few days later when he told me there was no hot water in the rectory.

After some investigation we realized that one of the compressor units for the choir loft AC had melted down. There was no fire and apparently no other damage was found. Fortunately it is covered by warranty and should soon be replaced. Unfortunately this happened for the hottest Sunday of the year so far. Welcome to my world! The hot water heater for the rectory also ended its earthly existence and had to be replaced. The staff tells me that it was about ten years old, which is not that old as far as these things go.

I'd like to mention the end of another life, and this time more joyously. In three week's time we celebrate Mary's Assumption into heaven. No longer a Holy Day of Obligation when it falls on a Saturday like this year (and of course the obligation to attend even Sunday Mass has been currently suspended because of Covid-19), I'd still like to invite you to a Triduum of Prayer in preparation to celebrating with her, her entrance into heaven: Where she has gone, we hope to follow! More information is found elsewhere in this Bulletin.

While nowhere in the ordination rite does it speak of air conditioners and hot water heaters, it is a large part of a pastor's administrative energies that are precisely devoted to such little emergencies. I am grateful to Msgr. Ryan's upkeep of the parish plant and assembling the team that takes care of our buildings and grounds at St. Greg's.

As we continue returning to this "new normal" and are regulated in what we can and can't do concerning coming together, be mindful that not only is it summer time when not much would be happening anyway, but also that there is always stuff going on behind the scenes here at the parish – a parish I guess I'm now officially pastor of.

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 July 19th amounted to \$6,335.00 for the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH REOPENING. The church is now open for Mass. We have the regular Sunday schedule and the 9:00AM weekday Mass. Because of the limited 25% capacity you will see that rows have been designated by the staff to ensure social distancing.



The church is divided into three sections for families and couples living under the same roof and individuals. Please make sure where you are sitting has blue tape in front of you. We ask everyone's patience, cooperation and flexibility in your routine. Also, please do not feel the rush to receive Holy Communion. Blue lines have been placed in the center aisle to help give your perspective. This distancing is for everyone's safety and well-being. We will continue to update information as we are directed by civil government and share diocesan norms as we receive them. Thanks again for your cooperation and don't forget your mask!

ASSUMPTION TRIDUUM: AUGUST 12, 13, 14 -



7:30PM - Come out and honor Our Lady in the Presence of her Son with three evenings of prayer in preparation of the Solemnity of the Assumption. Each evening prayer service will take place before the Blessed Sacrament and conclude with Benediction. Focusing on three of her titles from the Litany of

Loretto, Wednesday will look to Mary as *Gate of Heaven*, Thursday as *Help of Christians*, and Friday as *Comforter of the Afflicted*. These evenings allow for an opportunity to come before Our Divine Lord and His Blessed Mother during these crazy days. Families are invited to attend together as we look to her whom all generations have called blessed. Feel free to invite a friend.

FREE COVID-19 TESTING - To protect our community from additional exposure to the novel coronavirus, **Northwell Health** is expanding COVID-19 testing it has been offering at churches throughout New York City, Long Island and Westchester County since May 13. Northwell Health will be conducting FREE COVID-19 antibody tests at Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel, 92-96 220th St., Queens Village, NY 11428, on Monday, July 27th through Friday, July 31st, from 10:00AM until 6:00PM. Antibodies are proteins that help fight off infections. A simple blood test shows if people have had a previous infection with the virus. To make an appointment to be tested, call 833-422-7369 (833-4 CARE NY).

RETRouvaille. You Can Help Heal Your Marriage!



Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples

through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend that begins on Friday, SEPTEMBER 11, 2020, please call 1-800-470-2230 and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help. The location is Immaculate Conception, 440 West Neck Road, Huntington, NY.

St. John's University is offering Hearing Aid Help & free Speech & Hearing Screenings. Call 718-990-6480 for additional information and appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike.



CAR REBATES. The St. Vincent DePaul Society will give \$50-\$100 to St. Gregory's for each car, truck or van (running or not). If you or someone you know has an old or neglected vehicle that needs disposal, please call the Society of St. Vincent DePaul at 718-491-2525.



FRIENDS KEEP HOPE ALIVE, INC. - SISTERS OF THE HANDMAIDS OF THE HOLY CHILD JESUS will minister and care for the elderly in their own home. Also available is a home cleaning service, which includes, cleaning floors, vacuum carpets, bathroom, dusting, and more. For more information, please call 646-434-9325.

TACHS-Test for Admission into Catholic High



Schools. Admission to the Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Brooklyn/Queens in 2021 is determined in part by the results of the TACHS exam administered this November. The

exam is scheduled for Saturday, November 7th. Call 866-61TACHS for information. You may register from August 24th - October 22nd, at TACHSreg.com. Please share this information particularly with parents whose children attend public schools. A quality Catholic Education awaits them!

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GIVECENTRAL - St. Greg's is now accepting online donations through GiveCentral, a new safe, secure, and paperless way to make your contributions. GiveCentral is designed specifically for Catholic organizations and hundreds of parishes have found success with it. It is used widespread throughout our diocese. The site allows you to make one time or recurring payments on a schedule that works best for you, using any credit or debit card or electronic (ACH) bank withdrawal. It's similar to automatically paying other bills you might have. Having flexible giving options will make it easier for you to support St. Gregory's.

Please visit GiveCenral and take a few minutes to set up your contributions. Your generosity and support at this time are both much needed and greatly appreciated!

HERE'S HOW TO SIGN UP FOR GIVECENTRAL:

1. Visit www.givecentral.org and click on the **FIND MY CHARITY** button.
2. Type our parish name or our zip code (**11426**) in the search box and click on our picture when it appears below.
3. Choose an **EVENT** to which you would like to donate, entering the amount, frequency and date, then click **ADD TO MY GIFT BASKET**. You may **ADD MORE** or **CHECKOUT** at any time.
4. When you're ready, click **CHECKOUT** to view and verify your pending gifts.
5. Click **CONTINUE** then **COMPLETE PROFILE**.
6. Complete the simple registration form, then click **REGISTER AND CONFIRM GIFT** to submit. That's it- you're registered! Check your email inbox for a GiveCentral welcome email from **support@givecentral.org** (Sometimes your computer might place that first email in the "Spam" folder. You can return to GiveCentral at any time to make changes to your information or contributions. It's that simple. Visit **www.givecentral.org/login** and enter your username and password to log in – any time, any place.