

CHURCH OF SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT

242-20 88TH AVENUE, BELLEROSE, NY 11426

Week of January 1, 2023

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



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. Edward M. Kachurka KCHS, Pastor
Rev. Johnson Nedungadan, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Arthur Cutter
Deacon Robert Zeuner
Mrs. Alison Morisi, Faith Formation Director
Mr. Joseph Paniccia, Academy Principal
Mr. Bart Haggerty, Director of Music Ministry
Msgr. Edward A. Ryan, Pastor Emeritus
Msgr. 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 - Friday: 9:00AM
Saturday Morning: 9:00AM
Holydays: Vigil Mass: 7:30PM
9:00AM



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
Miss Jennifer Kalin, Parish Receptionist
Mrs. Lina Pichardo, Parish Secretary
Office Hours:
Monday-Tuesday-Thursday-Friday 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Wednesday 9:00AM - 7:00PM
Saturday 9:30AM - 11:00AM
Sunday 9:00AM - 2:00PM

Office of Faith Formation

Gregorian Hall
Phone 718-347-0525
Ms. Alison Morisi, Faith Formation Director
Office Hours:
Tuesday 9:30AM - 11:30AM
Wednesday 11:30AM - 2:00PM
Thursday 9:30AM - 11:30PM

St. Gregory the Great Catholic Academy of Bellerose

Address 244-44 87th Ave.
Phone 718-343-5053
School Website: www.sgtgca.org
Mr. Joseph Paniccia, Principal
Mrs. Catherine McMahon, 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 4:00PM. 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.





Annual Catholic Appeal 2022

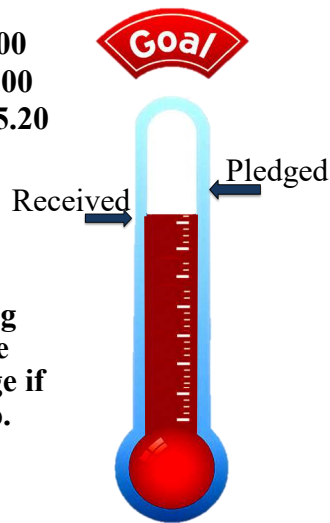
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2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Annual Catholic Appeal continues, we hope that those of you who have contributed in the past will be as generous this coming year. Remember every dollar we go over our goal comes back to help the parish.

Here is the latest report as of December 19, 2022:

Amount of Goal: **\$96,587.00**
 Amount Pledged: **\$76,625.00**
 Amount Received: **\$74,825.20**
 Number of Donors: **178**



Each week we are getting closer to our goal! Please consider making a pledge if you have not yet done so.

COLLECTIONS

The weekly collection for the parish amounted to \$6,396.
 The Christmas Day offering amounted to \$7,413.
 The Give Central collections amounted to \$1,048.
 Thank you for your generosity!

ST. GREGORY'S MONTHLY 50/50 RAFFLE



\$5.00 to be in it! Special 50/50 envelopes are included in your envelope packet and are also available at the back of the church. The winner for the month of December will be chosen on Wednesday January 4th.



FAITH FORMATION

ALTAR SERVERS

After a two year hiatus because of Covid and other situations, we are now glad that altar servers have returned to assist at Masses. We thank Fr. Johnson, Deacon Mickey and his wife Denise Cutter for training the new altar servers and retraining the returning servers. God Bless Our Altar Servers.



A WARM WELCOME



If you are new to our parish, please feel free to introduce yourself to one of the priests or deacons after Mass today. We kindly invite you to come to the Parish Office and register as a member of St. Gregory's. White Welcome Envelopes are located in the church for those who are new in the parish, for those who would like to receive weekly envelopes and for those who may have forgotten their envelope today. Thank you for all your support for our parish.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN: Nm 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21
 MON: 1 Jn 2:22-28, Jn 1:19-28
 TUES: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6, Jn 1:29-34
 WED: 1 Jn 3:7-10, Jn 1:35-42
 THUR: 1 Jn 3:11-21, Jn 1:43-51
 FRI: 1 Jn 5:5-13, Mk 1:7-11
 SAT: 1 Jn 5:14-21, Jn 2:1-11

CHURCH ENVELOPES



The new packet of church envelopes was mailed to all registered parishioners who use the weekly envelopes. If you did not receive the mailing, please contact the Parish Office. If you do not regularly receive envelopes, we encourage you to formally register in the parish as active parishioners and help support the parish throughout the year. Lastly, we kindly ask you to mark your offering amount on the front of the envelope each week. Thank you for your cooperation and generosity.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week of January 1, 2023

SUNDAY

AA CLOSED MEETING 7:00PM Convent Basement

MONDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 4:00-9:00PM GH

TUESDAY

ADORATION 9:30AM Church

LEISURE GROUP 1:00-4:00PM Rectory Basement

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 4:00-9:00PM GH

CUB SCOUTS 6:00 Oak Room

ADULT CHOIR 7:30 Church

WEDNESDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 6:00-9:00PM GH

THURSDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 4:00-9:00PM GH

FRIDAY

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION 9:30AM Church

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 4:00-9:00PM GH

AA CLOSED MEETING 8:00PM Convent Basement

SATURDAY

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION 9:00AM-9:00PM GH

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY 10:00AM-11:30AM

Rectory Basement

PENANCE 4:00PM Church

GH= Gregorian Hall

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Week of January 1, 2023

SAT DEC 31st

5PM Buttigieg & Tabone Family

SUN JAN 1st

8AM Mary Velez

9:15AM Members of the Purgatorial Society

11AM Peggy McManus, Mary Tyrie

David & Sheila O'Brien

12:30PM The People of the Parish

MON JAN 2nd

9AM Librada Dayao

TUES JAN 3rd

9AM Eileen Maloney (3rd Anniv. Rem.)

WED JAN 4th

9:00AM Teresa & Frank Jurcsak

THUR JAN 5th

9AM John & Elizabeth Haggerty

FRI JAN 6th

9AM Michael O'Donald Jr. (Anniv. Rem.)

SAT JAN 7th

9AM Msgr. Gerard Arella

5PM Antonia Buttigieg

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:



FOR THE SICK

Marion Callaghan, Patrick Spinelli,
Helen Hurley, Louis Kromm,
Helen Mancusi, Nora Chiarello,
Loretta Breslin, Karen Connor,
Michael Previdi Jr., Colleen Calabria,
Joseph Barry, Patricia Long,
Graham Hess, Anne Previdi,
Sr. Patricia Anglin, Lori Ferrara,
Grace & Kenny Leuze

FOR THE DECEASED

Jeffrey Nella, Joan Mazza, Florence Porto



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Fr. Kachurka, Fr. Johnson,
Deacon Mickey, and Deacon Bob
wish to thank all the parishioners who
gave gifts, cards, and Best Christmas
Wishes. Everything is deeply
appreciated.

BOOK GROUP



The next meeting will take place on Monday, January 9th at 7PM through Zoom. The selection is *Hour of the Witch* by Chris Bohjalian.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. ART CONTEST

The Family Life Committee is happy to announce this art contest in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. The children in the parish will enjoy learning more and more about this important person in American History. This contest is open to children in the parish. Official poster paper and entry rules will soon be available at the Parish Office, Academy Office and Religious Education Office. Look out for more details.



CALENDARS



There are 2023 calendars available for parishioners at the back of the church. Please take one for your household. We thank Thomas F. Dalton's Funeral Home for the beautiful Catholic calendar this year.

MASS BOOK

The 2023 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. Please come to the parish office to make special Mass offerings for your loved ones. You may also inquire about dedicating the flowers, sanctuary lamp and Altar candles or Altar bread & wine.



MASS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES



The next monthly Mass for individuals and families with children and adults with special needs will take place on Sunday, January 8th at the 12:30PM Mass. Hospitality will follow in the Oak Room. An American Sign Language interpreter will sign the Mass. We welcome all individuals and families with children and adults with special needs from St. Gregory's parish and neighboring communities. St. Gregory's church is wheelchair accessible. We look forward to sharing and celebrating Sunday Mass together!

RECENTLY ENGAGED?



If you or someone you know were recently engaged over the holidays, don't forget to contact the rectory once a wedding date is decided. Allow plenty of time for the preparations for the Sacrament of Marriage.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASS TIMES

Saturday-New Year's Eve-December 31st
5:00PM

Sunday-New Year's Day-January 1st
8:00AM- 9:15AM-11:00AM-12:30PM

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD MASS TIMES

Saturday -January 7th
5:00PM

Sunday -January 8th
8:00AM- 9:15AM-11:00AM-12:30PM



CYO REGISTRATION

St. Gregory's Athletic Association online registration is now underway for Sports 2022-23. Please Sign up Now to get placed on a team roster!! Please use the link below for your New Sports Registration. Please take advantage of our new and convenient online registration. Members can register players for sports and adults for coaching and service positions. Please begin by creating a one-time Family account. Winter sport available: Volleyball. Spring sports available: softball, baseball, flag football and baseball/softball clinic.



<https://stgregorysathleticassociation.sportngin.com/>

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SPECIAL NEEDS PARENTS GROUP

All parents/guardians with children/adults with special needs or IEPs are invited to join us to share and exchange ideas in an informal setting. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 11th at 10AM, at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Bayside. For more information please contact Georgette Lyons at:



shreligiousdbayside@yahoo.com

CHURCH ETIQUETTE



As we move further into the winter months, the men of the parish are reminded that it has been a centuries long tradition that they remove their hats upon entering church. Also kindly help the ushers to keep the church doors shut so the church will be warm for those worshipping at the next celebration. Thank you.

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.



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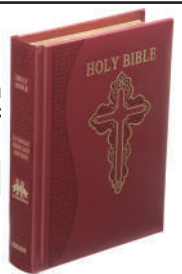
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