

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From The Desk of the Pastor

Dear Parishioners of St. Greg's,

Fr. Leon gave me the responsibility to write the first "From the Pastors Desk" insert since he left for sabbatical. While I am happy to do so, he may not know the implications of giving me such unlimited power! I'm just kidding. I am very happy that Fr. Leon has this opportunity to take a much needed break after twenty-six faithful years of tireless service as a priest.

When I recall the many people who said farewell to me when I left St. Gregory's as a seminarian just two years ago, many expressed their hope that I would come back to St. Greg's as a priest. I was very moved by your kind words and I hoped myself that I would return. Honestly, I didn't think that there was even a chance, given that in recent memory, priests are rarely sent back to where they once served as seminarians. I was happily wrong!

I feel very blessed by God to have been assigned at St. Greg's as a parochial vicar and to come back to serve this amazing parish family. God's blessings have been so abundant recently, especially as I realize the awesome responsibility and identity the Lord has given to me in the priesthood. When Bishop Malone pulled all those about to be ordained aside into his office in the Cathedral to tell all of us where our assignments would be, I may have been surprised to hear the name St. Greg's, but I felt tremendous peace and joy about the news as well.

It is hard for me to wrap my mind around the mystery of the priesthood. As it should be! It is a gift from God, and a gift from God that is way bigger than myself. The source and life of the priesthood is having the priest's heart conform to the heart of Christ crucified. In that salvific moment of the cross, Christ pours out his heart fully and without reservation to save and redeem the world. Everything that we believe in flows from that moment: our hope, our salvation, the sacraments, grace and God's very love.

The priest participates in a deeply profound way in the outpouring of Christ's heart, as he acts in the person of Christ in the sacraments. This is why the priest says, "This is MY body" and "I absolve you from your sins." My heart is filled with consolation of the Holy Spirit at this moment in my new priesthood.

I approach the sacrament of Holy Orders with joy and even with some trepidation. God is asking me to pour out my heart as He did on the Cross in love for the people of God. I am excited to learn how to be a spiritual shepherd and a spiritual father. There are a lot of things to get used to, even the title "Father." I am deeply aware that I could not have become a priest without all of your prayers, and that I will be an effective and holy priest also because of your continued prayers.

I look forward to these blessed years at St. Greg's and getting to know all of you better. Please know that if I can pray for you or help you in any way that I would be most happy to do so. May God bless you abundantly and give you his peace and joy!

Mary Immaculate, Mother of Jesus, assist me in the Priesthood of Your Divine Son.

Amen. Fr. Paul

Summer Hours

In July and August, the Catholic Store and Café will be closing at 2:00 pm during the week. Our Saturday and Sunday hours will remain the same. Have no fear, we will still be open on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 - 8:00 pm for pizza nights.

July 7 & 8, 2018

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. July 9: Hosea 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22; Matthew 9:18-26 Tues. July 10: Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:32-38 Wed. July 11: Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matthew 10:1-7 Thurs. July 12: Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9; Matthew 10:7-15 Fri. July 13: Hosea 14:2-10; Matthew 10:16-23 Sat. July 14: Isaiah 6:1-8; Matthew 10:24-33 Sun. July 15: Amos 7:12-15 (104B); Ephesians 1:13-14; Mark 6:7-13

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Self-acceptance

- Reading IEzekiel 2:2-5 (the Lord speaks to Ezekiel)Reading II2 Corinthians 12:7-10 (Paul's weakness)GospelMark 6:1-6 (Jesus at Nazareth)
- Key Passage[Paul said,]Three times I appealed to the
Lord about this, that it would leave me, but
he said to me. "My grace is sufficient for
you, for power is made perfect in weak-
ness." (2 Corinthians 12:8)
- *Adult:* What unavoidable weakness in yourself do you struggle to accept?
- *Child: What have you wished would be different or better about you?*

*** Mission Appeal

This weekend, July 7 and 8, our Diocese will take up a second collection to support the missions. Bishop Renatas Leonard Niwande from Tanzania will speak at the Masses.

Parish Weekend Office Hours

Our Parish Office is open on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.

PARISH SOCIAL/NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME

All parishioners and new families are invited to join us for refreshments this Sunday, July 8, after 9:30am Mass, in the Gathering Rooms. If you have questions about our Faith or would like to register with the Parish, please join us.

NEWLY DESIGNATED PEWS

In an effort to assist our parishioners with special needs, we now have newly designated seating in the Church which is labeled. Please sit in the labeled pews and you will be able to receive Communion from a Priest or Eucharistic Minister who will come to you.

2018 MISSION APPEAL FOR THE DIOCESE OF BUNDA TANZANIA, EAST AFRICA

Bunda is among the youngest Dioceses in Tanzania, established in 2010. It covers 5,530 Km2 with a population of 1,204,000, where 293,000 are Catholics (2015). The proceeds from the Mission appeal will be directed to:

- **Vocation:** Training seminarians for priesthood and catechists who are helping the parishes with teaching the catechumens in their preparations before receiving the sacraments. Also, establishing new Churches as we are experiencing an increased number of people turning to Catholicism. Looking forward to establish a minor seminary due to an increase of vocation around the region.
- **Health:** Facilitating health by educating people in relation to malaria which is killing many people and HIV/AIDS. The hospitals owned by the diocese are lacking medical facilities including medications, beds, blankets, bed-sheets and mattresses.
- To establish dairy and poultry projects to rural areas to fight against malnutrition of children and pregnant women.
- **Education:** Providing education to vulnerable children including orphans who were left by their parents because of HIV/AIDS and those from poor families. In offering education, the diocese has kindergarten, primary and secondary schools. These schools have some challenges where they have shortages of books, desks, chairs, tables, and other educational facilities.
- **Safe Water:** Many people in our area are suffering from diseases caused by drinking unsafe water. We are having a project of drilling boreholes in villages so that people may get alternative source of water, and be free from using the same source with domestic animals.

We hope you will be generous in helping the diocese to implement its projects for the good of the people of God.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Next weekend, July 14 and 15, our Diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression and disasters. Your gift makes you a pilgrim of charity around the globe. There will be one collection for two offerings.

MEMORIALIZATION & SPECIAL DATES

You are invited to join us for the next Grief & Loss meeting on Wednesday, July 11, at 6:30 pm in Gathering Room 1. Our topic is *Memorialization & Special Dates*. All are welcome - you do not need to be a parishioner. This presentation will offer insight on how our God is present to us in the midst of our pain. For adults & children with disabilities and special needs

SABILITY

and their families

You are cordially invited to the Annual Disability Picnic on Saturday, July 14 12:00 Noon - 2:30 pm in the Parish Ministry Center

Free

Admissio

music &

Dancing

Add to our summertime banquet table and bring your favorite casserole, salad or dessert to share



(8-12 servings). Hot dogs and beverages are provided!

To Register, please email **jrischmiller@stgregs.org** or call 688-5760 if you plan to attend.

Our air-conditioned facility is completely accessible, including bathrooms.



On December 16, 2017, our lives were forever changed. My heart was shattered. My family was devastated. That was the day my oldest son, Devin, took his own life, just three months after his 18th birthday. To say that I was blindsided would be an understatement. Devin was an incredibly gifted athlete. He was dedicated to keeping himself fit and planned on enlisting in the Marine Corps this June.

Devin's true gift, however, was his presence. He could walk into a room and not only light it up but control it with his mere being. Devin had a way about him that drew people in. He had more friends than one could imagine, and he loved every one of them. When I look at the faces of those kids and see

the impact which Devin's death had on so many, I know that I must do something to try to spare another family from experiencing the same pain that we are living through.

Unfortunately, stories like my family's are far too common. Stories like Devin's happen more than anyone wants to talk about. Suicide is the second leading cause of death for kids aged 10–24. More teenagers and young adults die from suicide than from cancer, heart disease, AIDS, birth defects, stroke, pneumonia, influenza, and chronic lung disease, COMBINED.

This is the reason we are hosting Drive for Devin. On Friday, July 27, 2018 a 9-hole golf tournament in Devin's memory will be played at Deerwood Golf Course in North Tonawanda, followed by a dinner at Classics V on Niagara Falls Blvd. The money raised from this tournament will go to support children, teens and adults in their time of crisis. Crisis Services provides treatment and assistance to people in emotional crisis through a variety of therapeutic services. I want people to know that help is always there if they find themselves in crisis." You Are Never Alone."

THE 1ST DRIVE FOR DEVIN July 27, 2018

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Golf:

Deerwood Golf course (North Tonawanda) Progressive Tee times beginning at 11:00 am 2-person scramble format **On-course Contests**

Donation:

\$85 for Golf, Golf Cart, Dinner and Gift \$50 for Dinner and Gift \$20 for Children 12 & under \$25 for Shirt

Dinner:

Classics Five Banquet Hall (2425 Niagara Falls Blvd.) Cash Bar with Complimentary Draft Beer & recognition in the event program. Wine at 4:30pm Dinner 6:00pm Door prizes, raffles & more

To Register : Visit our website: www. Drive4devin.com/Driv4devin Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/Drive4devin E-mail: Drive4devin@gmail.com

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO DRIVE FOR DEVIN

Major Sponsor:

\$2500 plus Donation includes a foursome for the event. Special recognition at the golf course, dinner, and in the event program

Course Sponsor:

\$1000 plus donation includes a twosome for the event. Signage at golf course and clubhouse, and recognition in the event program.

Dinner Sponsor:

\$500 plus donation includes a twosome for the event. Signage on dinner tables and

Hole Sponsor:

\$200 Donation includes signage at a hole on the course and recognition in the event program.

Program Sponsor:

Includes recognition in the event program.

Par: \$25 Birdie: \$50 Eagle: \$100



Respect Life

Fiftieth Anniversary of Humanae Vitae "On Human Life:" On July 25, the Church will observe the 50th anniversary of Blessed Pope Paul VI's landmark encyclical proclaiming the Church's teaching on married love, responsible

parenthood, and the rejection of artificial birth control and abortion.

Humanae Vitae Anniversary Prayer

Almighty and All-loving God,

in the beginning You created them male and female

as a sign of the Covenant with Your people,

the Covenant which You would later seal

with the Most Precious Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

We thank You for the sublime gift that is the life-giving one-flesh union of husband and wife,

and we ask You for the grace always to cherish, revere and foster it as You intended:

the foundational good of human society

and the icon of the union between Christ and his Church.

As we celebrate these fifty years of the Encyclical Humanae Vitae's articulation of the Church's timeless teaching, help us to be wise, bold and charitable messengers of this good news,

so that a culture of love, life and marriage may flourish in our land.

Open the minds and hearts of those far away from this truth,

heal those harmed by its rejection, and strengthen those committed to living it out

and inspiring others to do the same.

By means of this grace grant us peace with one another and happiness with You now in this life, and to know its perfect fulfillment forever in the life that is to come.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Head and Bridegroom of the Church, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

--Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Archdiocese of San Francisco

Men of God

Men of God (MOG) is a Spirituality Group for Men 21 years and over that meets monthly for fellowship, praying the Rosary, and group discussion. Our next meeting is on Wednesday, July 11, from 7:00-9:00 pm in Gathering Room 2. Please bring a friend, a brother, a dad, an uncle or cousin for this special night. For more information, contact Ray Geska at 541-8345 or raygeska@yahoo.com, or Jeff Criden at 207-4878 or jeffrcrd@aol.com.

Ladies of The Lord . . .

Our next meeting/picnic will be held at Spaulding Lake on Thursday, July 12, at 2:30-7:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:00 pm.

*** Senior Citizens

Monday, July 9, 1:00 pm, Summer picnic by Chiavetta's BBQ prepared on site, Clarence Town Park, 10405 Main St 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 17-22, 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.

Please Join us for the Rosary

The Rosary is one of the most important, meritorious and powerful prayers one can pray. Many of the saints attest to this: "The Rosary is the weapon for these times." *St. Pio*; "The Rosary is the Bible on a string!" *Fr. Ronan Murphy*; "The Rosary is a storehouse of countless blessings." *Blessed Alan de la Roche*; "One day through the Rosary and Scapular Our Lady will save the world." *St. Dominic*. Before going to breakfast or lunch please consider praying the Rosary after the 8:00 am & 12:00 pm Masses. It is 20 minutes well spent and these prayers "transform" our families, our community, our country and the world in a positive way!

Interested in Becoming a Eucharistic Minister?

We are currently in need of more Eucharistic Ministers for weekend Masses. If you have ever considered this wonderful ministry and would like to participate more in Mass, please call Jo Pierino in the Parish Office, 688-5678.

LADIES OF THE LORD PRAYER BLANKETS FOR SICK CHILDREN

Ladies of the Lord has blessed prayer blankets for babies and young children who are ill or in the hospital. The children are added to our Prayer Intention Book and are in the daily prayers of all the Ladies of the Lord. To request prayers call the Parish Office (688-5678), Mary (867-0347), or Linda (689-0447).

Family Faith Formation

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

2018-2019 FFF Program Registration:

Go to www.stgregs.org/register-now/

Weekly FFF Program (Gr 1-10) Register Online or In Person. Classes run once a week, September 2018 through April 2019. For program information go to *www.stgregs.org/program-options/* then select your child's grade level.

Little Cherubs (Preschool, Ages 3 - 5) Register Online or In Person. Classes run once a week, September 2018 through April 2019. For program information, go to *www.stgregs.org/preschool/*

Help Support St. Gregory the Great Scholarship Fund

FCSLA- First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association presents:

Annual Golf Outing Tuesday, July 24 Chestnut Hill Country Club

Golf, Cart, Food, and Drinks — \$85.00 Just come for the Steak Dinner — \$40.00 Become a "Hole Sponsor" — \$25.00

Mini Golf Tournament

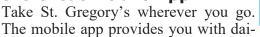
Wednesday, July 25 Broadway Driving Range in Depew \$8.00 for mini golf and a soft-serve ice cream

For more information, Please contact John Gonsiorek 894-4220 or Lifeman88@roadrunner.com

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BECOME AN "ANGEL" IN A CHILD'S LIFE

We are still welcoming donations to the Angel Wings Scholarship program. With tuition rising each year (for 2018-19 it is now over \$4,000 for one child) your help is needed more than ever. Please consider becoming an "Angel" and help to make a difference in the life of a child in our parish community by making Catholic education a reality. Scholarships from parishioners or parish organizations will benefit qualified students from the parish whose families have difficulty meeting tuition and related costs to attend our Parish School. Your donation will directly offset tuition for a child or family. Donations are welcome in any amount. Donations under \$250 will be pooled together for a Scholarship. Scholarship award decisions are made by a small committee. Parents of current St. Gregory's students do not serve on the committee. Strict confidentiality of donors and award recipients will be maintained. This is a wonderful way to support Catholic Education and positively touch the life of a child in our parish with your generosity. Please join us in this wonderful endeavor.

For more information please call Teri Donner at 632-1920. *This is the best investment you can make...that in the life of a child.*

<u>St. Greg's School</u>

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.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Have you considered giving a prayer shawl to someone you know who is going through difficult or challenging circumstances in life? We have many beautiful blessed shawls on hand. Prayer shawls are free and can be obtained from the Parish Office. The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets weekly on Wednesday mornings, 10:00am -12:00 noon in the Ministry Center Gym. All are invited to join us!

<u>St. Greg's Café</u>

Don't Have Time To Make Lunch?

Stop in the St. Greg's Café and let us cook for you. Enjoy delicious paninis and homemade soups!

PIZZA NIGHT!

Working late at the office and don't want to cook? Stop by our Café every Wednesday night for our Specialty Pizza Night from 5:30 - 7:30pm.

Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Adam Jarosz: ajarosz@stgregs.org; Nicole Janecek: njanecek@stgregs.org; Richard Patti: rpatti@stgregs.org ~ 688-3578

Middle School: Visit stgregsym.org for more information!

Mass and Lunch: July 16, 23, 30

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

Rooted: July 13, 20, 27

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

Movie Nights: July 13, 20, 27

Join us at 7:00 pm 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 for more information!

High School Summer Schedule is starting! Open to all graduated 8^{th} graders through graduated 12^{th} graders!

Female Community Group: All high-school girls welcome! Meets **Wednesday, July 11**, at 7:00 pm in the Ministry Center! Join for great discussion, prayer and much more!

SWAT Team: July 10, 17, 24, 31

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 7:00 pm for discussion or simply adoration time! Food and fun is included!

Mass and Lunch: July 11, 18, 25

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

High-School Hangout: July 12, 19, 26

Join us every Thursday starting at 7:00 pm for fun and games outside, a bonfire, s'mores, snacks and a movie projected onto the wall of the Ministry Center! All are welcome. If you have any questions about High School Ministry, feel free to contact Richard!

<u>College</u>

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

Summer Closeout Party - Aug 4, 7:00-9:00pm: Let's end summer right and send you back to college with goodies! Food, give-aways, and a send-off blessing!

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!

"SPIRITUAL SPINS & GRINS"

Do not forget your purpose and destiny as God's creatureRemember that when you leave this earth you can take nothing that you have received...but only what you have given; a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage. [St. Francis of Assisi: "Letters to Rulers of People"]

*** Vocation View

Today we hear about Jesus' disappointment at the lack of faith of the people, and their skepticism of His goodness. Without question, such doubt and skepticism about Jesus remains today. How is Jesus calling you to help to make Him known for who He truly is? 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 – <u>www.buffalovocations.org</u>!

*** PRAYER CHAIN

Did you know that St. Gregory's has had a Prayer Chain for 30 years, with approximately 80 members who will pray for your intentions? You may call the parish office at 688-5678 to place a name on the prayer chain list and your intention will be remembered for 30 days. *"Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive it, and you will!"* (Mark 11:24)

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Catechist's Corner

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

Catechists Needed for Disciple Camp! You can help children (Grades 5-8) learn and grow by becoming a catechist for Family Faith Formation! We provide you with training, materials, and support. **If you're interested** in learning more about becoming a catechist or a classroom aide in the Family Faith Formation program, please call Joan Rischmiller at **688-5760**.

Dates and times you can help teach this summer:

Disciple Camp (Gr 5 - 8) July 16 - 20, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm All Day: 8:45 am - 4:15 pm Mornings only: 8:45 - 12 noon Afternoons only: 12 noon - 4:15 pm



SAVE THE DATE: Disciple Camp Students will have a Car Wash to raise funds for the Nicaragua Mission July 22 from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm.

Kindergarten Readiness Camp

St. Gregory the Great is offering a Kindergarten Readiness Camp for Children ages 4-6. This camp will focus on academic, social, emotional and motor skills. Two sessions will be offered: Monday Aug 13-Thursday August 16; and Monday, August 20-Thursday, Aug 23. The hours are 8:30 -11:30am. The cost of the camp is \$100 for one week and \$180 for two weeks. Please contact Emily Andzik (eandzik@stgregs.org).

Stream Sprouts Young Scientists Club

Monday, July 30-Thursday, August 2, from 8:30–11:30am led by Mrs. Andzik. Students in Kindergarten and Grade 1 are eligible.Explore the wonderful world of science with this hands-on, inquiry-based, and engaging after-school club. Students will conduct experiments to explore basic scientific principles. Register as soon as possible, as there is a maximum number of 14 students. The \$100 class dues includes supplies. Please contact Emily Andzik (eandzik@stgregs.org).

Parish Activity Calendar

Sunday, July 8 Monday, July 9—VBS Tuesday, July 10—VBS 6:30 pm Evening Prayer (Church Crying Room) 7:00 pm S.W.A.T. (MC Basement)

Wednesday, July 11—VBS 10:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (MC Foyer) 6:30 pm Grief & Loss Ministry (GR 1) 7:00 pm Men of God Meeting GR 2)

Thursday, July 12—VBS 7:00 pm Youth Ministry High School Hangout (MC Gym, Basement, Front Lawn)

Friday, July 13—VBS 5:30 pm Youth Ministry Middle Prayer School Group (MC Basement)

7:30 pm Youth Ministry Middle School Movie Night (MC Gym/Lawn)

Saturday, July 14

9;30 am Boy Scouts Religious Emblem Meeting (MC 2) 12:00 pm Disability Family Picnic

(MC Gym/Foyer/Kitchen) 3:00 pm Youth Ministry Mass/Barbecue (MC Patio) Sunday, July 15

JOIN THE PARISH

If you are recently married and live in our area, we invite you to join our parish. Contact the Parish Office at (716) 688-5678 to register.

Out of Parish

Our Blessed Lady of Mount Carmel Novena:

Beginning Sunday, July 8, and closing on the feast day, Monday, July 16, the Public Novena will be conducted by Rev. Tony Stephens, CPM of the Fathers of Mercy. Each evening will begin 7:00 pm with the Rosary, followed by Mass. We ask that everyone be modestly and suitably dressed in the House of God. The Carmelite Monastery is located at 75 Carmel Road, Buffalo.

Summer Driver Education Program: sponsored by Cardinal O'Hara High School from July 16 to Aug. 6. Participants may choose from several class times. Drivers who complete the course with a passing grade of 65 or above will receive a DMV Certificate of Completion and will be eligible for insurance reduction certificate. The cost is \$490 with a \$100 deposit required and the balance due the first day of class. A student's permit or license is due prior to the start of class. For more information or to receive a registration form, email at <u>bknott@cardinalohara.com</u> or go to the O'Hara web site, <u>www.cardinalohara.com</u>.

O'HARAFEST: Cardinal O'Hara High School invites all alumni, current students and incoming students and their families to O'Harafest 2018, July 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the school's backyard sports complex. Live music from The Jim Levinthal Band, also food and beverages. Tickets for adults are \$20 pre-sale or \$25 at the door (children are free). For reservations/information, call the school at 695-2600, ext. 312 or 311 or email <u>rorr@cardinalohara.com</u>. All are welcome.

<u>Mass Schedule</u>		Friday, July 13	
Saturday, Ju		7:00 am	John & Joyce Ambrosoli by Estate
Vigil Masses		8:00 am	Eugene Schrameck
4:00 pm	Mary Lou Dillman by Rose Ann Lokaj		by Bill & Kathy Schrameck
			Anthony D. Vetrano
5:30 pm	Jim & Louise McPartlan by Family		5
	Thomas J. Shanahan by Wife & Family		by John & Kathleen Antonucci
		12:00 pm	Shirley O'Brien by Family
Sunday, July 8 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time			Charles Duerr
8:00 am	Mark Czarnecki by Elizabeth Czarnecki		by Thomas & Noreen Braciszewski
	Devin Waring by Allegra Perna		•
	& Dawne Vullo	Saturday, J	ulv 14
0.20		8:00 am	•
9:30 am	Josephine Caldiero by Children	8.00 alli	Alice Stepnik by Sharon & Michael Sans
11:00 am	Stefania Kubus		Steve Jaworski by Doug & Mary Bolton
	by Nicholas & Jessica Ann Urbanski	Vigil Masse	
	Rose Hoelscher by Irma Narduzzo	4:00 pm	Alan White & Hilary White by Rudy &
12:30 pm	John & Irene Tammaro		John Huling & Frank & Mary Loiacono
12.00 pm	by Tom & Mary Kay Barrett		Frank & Florence Puglisi by Daughter,
1.20 mm			Mary Nigam
4:30 pm	Mary Jane Vetrano	5:30 pm	Catherine M. LaRue
	by Felix & Yvonne Labaki	5.50 pm	by Charles & Josephine Pierino
	Juanita Schober by Chris' Tennis Friends		by Charles & Josephine Pierino
Monday, July 9		Sunday, July 15 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
7:00 am	Parishioners of St. Gregory's	8:00 am	Barbara T. Warren by Warren Family
,	Irene Tommaro by Ann Lambiase		Sixto Maceda III by Maceda Family
8:00 am	Mary Ann Hertel by Crowley Family	9:30 am	Joseph Palka by Don & Linda Lembke
			Lorraine Sanders by Spectrum Family
12:00 pm	Christine Stachura (birth)	11:00 am	Edwin L. Pokornowski by James
	by Ed & Sylvia Stachura	11.00 alli	& Kathleen Pokornowski & Sons
	Donald Davis by Ellie & Arthur Lorenzo		
			Rose Hoelscher by Dawne Vullo
Tuesday, July 10		12:30 pm	Tom Castello by Wife & Family
7:00 am	Elizabeth Stevenson (anniv)	1:30 pm	Baptism
,	by Delaney Family	4:30 pm	Pasquale DiLisio by Gantress Family
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	Mary Nigam (living) (birth)		
	by Edith Varbanov		DECEASED
8:00 am	Marcia Gerace by Joe & Denise Denzak		Margaret Bowes
	& Family		Father Stanislaw Dudek
12:00 pm	Nicholas Willett by Family		Martha J. Palmer
	of Gloria Lynch	$\left[\begin{array}{c} \end{array} \right]$	
	Fred Postolese by Wife, Sandra	May Call	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
	Tred Tostorese by Whe, Sandra	2 DE	"The fruit of silence is PRAYER, the fruit of
W /- J J	Laber 11 Of Deres Part	TALL	prayer is FAITH, the fruit of faith is LOVE,
•	July 11 – St. Benedict	Mart Foll	the fruit of love is SERVICE, the fruit of
7:00 am	Rev. Msgr. Rupert Wright by Priests		service is <i>PEACE</i> ." (St. Teresa of Calcutta)
	of St. Gregory's	(304) ²	"ADORERS NEEDED!!! You are invited
8:00 am	Anthony D. Vetrano		to join us and sign up for any hour(s) con-
	by Carol & Del Giuliani	venient fo	r you. We especially need Adorers for Mon-
	Daniel Kirst by Robert & Ann Ludwig	days, 2:00	0-3:00am; Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00am;
12:00 mm	Peter Jedd by Mary & Anthony Dulski		ays, 3:00-4:00am, 6:00-7:00pm; Thursdays,
12:00 pm			am, 3:00-4:00am, 7:00-8:00am & 11:00am -
	Maureen Willett Markarian by Parents		n; Fridays, midnight to 1:00am; Saturdays,
			pm, 5:00-6:00pm, 6:00-7:00pm & 7:00-
Thursday, July 12			Sundays, 10:00-11:00am, 12:00noon-
7:00 am	Daniel T. Kirst by Barbara Bruss	1:00pm, 4:00-5:00pm, 5:00-6:00pm & 6:00-7:00pm.	
8:00 am	David Ryan by Kathy Glafer		willing to be a substitute Adorer, please con-
	Sophie Wlos by Jay & Amy Roeder/		v at 759-7149 or Barbara at 634-7478. " <i>There</i>
	Richard & Lori Grabenstatter		
12.00			need for Midnight-6:00 am adorers, espe-
12:00 pm	Ava Bartfay Szabo by Jack & Susan Ward		dnesday 3:00-4:00 am. If you are a student or
	Constance Reppucci by Nancy Cicarelli		f for the summer, please consider an early
		morning s	pot. Thank you."
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Moving In? Moving Out? Please contact us to register, or inform us of your departure.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 am - 4:00 pm SATURDAY & SUNDAY 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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

Mass Schedule

Catholic Store & Café CATHOLIC STORE HOURS (276-6920): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm; Wednesday 5:30 - 7:30 pm; Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Closed Monday ..

CAFÉ HOURS (276-6915): Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 7:30 am - 2:00 pm; Wednesday 5:30 - 7:30 pm; Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Closed Monday.

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.

Frayer and Devotion

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration in our Adoration Chapel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. New adorers are always welcome. Scheduled adorers commit to one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament, most often with at least one prayer partner. If you cannot make your scheduled hour of adoration, please arrange for a substitute. If you require help, call your hourly captain. For information, call Kathy at 759-7149 or Barbara at 634-7478.

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
- Lectio Divina (Word of God) Wednesdays, 9:00-10:00 am, Gathering Room 2.

Our Mission

St. Gregory the Great Parish, a large and diverse Faith Community, affirms the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and among us. We sustain our vitality through shared experiences of prayer, sacrament, liturgy, and service. We dedicate ourselves to being a vital part of the Church in the Diocese of Buffalo by maintaining and expanding our:

- Spiritual focus
- $-\hat{K}$ nowledge and understanding of our Faith and our Church
- Spirit of welcome and reconciliation
- Compassion and concern for those in need
- Generous sharing of our God-given talents and resources



