

The Gregorian



February 12, 2017
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St. Gregory the Great

Mission Statement

St. Gregory the Great is a Catholic Church made up of people of many different ages, talents, and cultural backgrounds. We are an urban faith community with a small town feel of welcome and hospitality. Motivated by our baptismal calling, we accept our duty to embody the presence of Jesus Christ in the world and to take up the mission he entrusted to us by our word and example. We glorify God through support and service of our time, talent, and treasure to our church and to the larger community in which we live.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Please spend some time this week reflecting on the Annual Catholic Appeal brochure that you received with your bulletin this weekend. Please remember that the Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments. Pope Francis has called all of us to participate in a Jubilee Year of Mercy. The Annual Catholic Appeal theme, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” was selected to remind us that our contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal enable the funded ministries and services of the Archdiocese of Chicago to share God’s love with many others in our parish, our Archdiocese and throughout the world. Each pledge makes a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services. After our parish goal of \$21,452 is reached in paid pledges, 100% of any additional funds come back to our parish to help fund our needs. If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, I will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all the Masses next weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support. – Fr. Paul

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, “Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God.” *By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.*

OPEN SKETCH

“The Evangelization Through The Arts initiative is offering a winter Art, Sketch and Contemplate on the afternoon of Saturday, February 25 from noon until 3:30 in the church. Come to paint, draw, photograph or just sit in quiet contemplation of our church’s stunning beauty. This event is free and open to all.”

CHURCH TOUR

St. Gregory’s is offering a new church tour on February 12, 2017 at noon, following the 10:30 mass. The tour will focus on the images of women in our church. We have been and continually are blessed by the presence of great women and this tour offers an opportunity to learn more about the pivotal role in our faith history that women have played. As always, it is free and open to everyone.”

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

On Sunday, Feb. 12, we will be hosting a Taizé Prayer service beginning at 4p.m. in Church. Taizé prayer involves simple chanting in the Taizé style, a Scripture reading, intercessory prayer, and an opportunity for silent prayer and reflection before an icon of Jesus, Mary or one of the saints. If you have never experienced this form of prayer before, please consider joining us. At this prayer, we will pray before an icon of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.

PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR GIVE CENTRAL -

GiveCentral is a method of electronic giving that guarantees us a steady income whether you are able to attend Mass any given weekend or not. It is safe. It is easy to enroll. You can change your level of giving at any time if your financial situation changes. It is also a green way to give that reduces paperwork and saves trees. You can sign up for GiveCentral on the home page of our parish web site at www.stgregory.net, or you can contact Bernadette Daniels at the Parish Center (773-561-3546), and she can enroll you or help you with the process if you have any questions or difficulties.



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER DANCE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2017

HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

1677 W. BRYN MAWR AVE. at 6:00PM

TICKETS: PER COUPLE (\$25)—SINGLE (\$15)—CHILDREN (15 & UNDER) (\$10)

Tickets on sale at the door!

ICON WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

Joseph Malham, our artist in residence, will be hosting an Icon Workshop for adults. It will take place on Friday, Mar. 3 from 7-9p.m., on Saturday, Mar. 4 from 9a.m. until 4p.m., and on Sunday, Mar. 5 from 9a.m. until 4p.m. The workshop is open to adults over the age of 15. They will have the opportunity to create their own icon. Lunch will be provided on Saturday and Sunday. The cost will be \$50. To register, contact Joe Malham at the Parish Center – 773-561-3546, ex. 211.

QUEST BENEFIT PERFORMANCE FOR ST. GREGORY

Quest Theatre Ensemble, our artists in residence, will be performing their new production entitled *The Fantasticks* beginning on Friday, Feb. 17th and running until Sunday, Mar. 26th. The *Fantasticks* is the longest-running musical in the world. This funny and romantic fable tells the tale of a boy, a girl, and their parents who plot to get them together by keeping them apart. The narrator, El Gallo, invites the audience to follow him into a world of moonlight and magic. It features songs like "Try to Remember," "Soon It's Gonna Rain" and "Never Say No." Admission is free, but free will donations are greatly appreciated. The Sunday, Feb. 26th performance which will begin at 2p.m. in the Parish Social Hall (1609 W. Gregory) will be a benefit performance for St. Gregory the Great Parish. All proceeds from this performance will be donated to our parish. Reservations are highly recommended. If you are not able to make this performance, you can see it every weekend on Friday at 8p.m. and on Saturday at 2 and 8p.m. and on Sunday at 2p.m. For further information and to make reservations, go to their web site at www.questensemble.org or call 312-458-0895.

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT APP

St. Gregory the Great Church now has a mobile app that is compatible with your iPhone/iPad or android phone. You can obtain the app by going to your iPhone store or by going to the Google Play Store on your android phone. It can be found at St. Gregory the Great, Chicago. iPhone users can also text great1 to 555888, and android phone users can text great 2 to 555888. Our app is still a work in process. We are still learning how to best make use of it, but it does currently contain several buttons with up to date information about what is happening at St. Gregory the Great as well as other informative sites. If you have any suggestions as to how we might make this mobile app more helpful to you, please do not hesitate to get in contact with me. – Fr. Paul

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Make your plans to join us for some great activities!

Feb. 22, 2017— Horseshoe Casino—Bus leaves at 9:45am—Cost \$5

March 8, 2016—Regular meeting—Menu: Corned beef sandwiches & Cole Slaw—Presentation by Jennifer Grant—"The way of St. James."

April 12—Regular meeting—Menu: Chicken Adobo & Pancit

BINGO

Bingo at St. Gregory is "Smoke Free"

**TUESDAY NIGHT BINGO
AT ST. GREGORY**

Games begin at 7:00 PM in the Gym Basement—Social Hall (1609 West Gregory St.)

\$2,250 in prizes (includes 2— \$500 games)

In case of bad weather, please call the Parish Center at 773-561-3546, after 2:00p.m. for possible cancellation.

**Mass Intentions
for the week**

SUNDAY, February 12
8:30am—Parishioners
10:30am—+Jose Hernandez

MONDAY, February 13
8:30am—+Kathleen Palmer

TUESDAY, February 14
8:30am—+Anita Szymczak
+Joseph Szymczak

WEDNESDAY, February 15
8:30am—Memorial Fund

THURSDAY, February 16
8:30am—+Consolacion Lariosa
20th death anniversary

FRIDAY, February 17
8:30am—+Adelaida Uychoco

SATURDAY, February 18
8:30am—Parishioners
4:30pm—+Kathleen Palmer
+Tony Ardizzone

SUNDAY, February 19
8:30am—+In memory of the Prorok
family
10:30am—+Martin J. & Alice M. Dungan
+Blanche Saldana

Prayer List
*Please pray for the sick and all those
who have asked for our prayers.*

Eloise Coughlin	Tom Ahlfeld
Colleen Dwyer	Romeo Ramos
Chris Willis	Miriam Mayol
Cathy Branscum	Mary Bredemeier
Maria Luisa Lara	Baltazar Rodriguez
Andres Perez	Cassandra Christina Morales
Dolly Calcaterra	Jesus Manuel Rosario
Ida Scott	MaryLou Walztoni
James Butler	Eileen Casey
Peter Saldanha	Horace M. Rutledge
Virginia Rodriquez	Dan Seelman
Edy Marroquin	Marilyn Gillis Lading
Ludy Ramos	Rosa Maria Santos
Joel Nahimana	Tania Cathalina Rojas
Eileen O’Ketter	Phil Harrington
Sarah Kimber	Marylyn Ahlfeld

Our Armed Forces

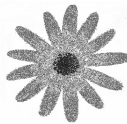
*Please keep in your prayers
all who are in the armed forces.*

Anthony DelRosario

Memorial Fund

In Loving Memory:

+Robert Bobowski
Sr. Barbara Quinn



Weekly Calendar

February 12 (Sunday)
4:00pm—Taizé Prayer service—Church
5:00pm—Charismatic Prayer group—Baseheart room
7:00pm—Choir rehearsal—Church

February 14 (Tuesday)
7:00pm—Bingo—Social Hall

February 15 (Wednesday)
6:30pm—Novena—Church

February 16 (Thursday)
7:00pm—Choir rehearsal—Church

February 17 (Friday)
6:45pm—Women’s scripture study—Parish Center

February 18 (Saturday)
9:30am—SSR Classes—Gym Building



Readings for the Week

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,
9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19;
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

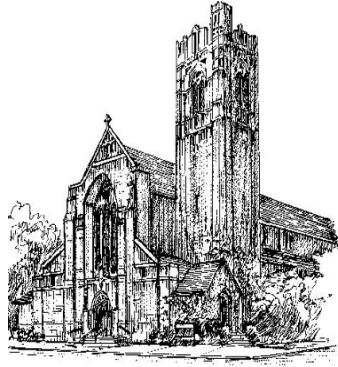
Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;
1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Liturgical Ministries (February 18/February 19)

	Saturday—4:30pm	Sunday—8:30am	Sunday—10:30am
Presider	Fr. Brian Fischer	Fr. Brian Fischer	Fr. Paul Wachdorf
Lectors/Commentators	Kristine DelRosario Amy Alznauer	Dona Hernandez Susan Silvano	Eleanore Eckstrom <i>Volunteer</i>
Eucharistic Ministers	Matthew Mullen Maria Pilati Andrew Welling	Isabel Martinez Catherine Rondinelli John Schietinger <i>Volunteer</i>	Gina Idardaloza Mandy Ibardaloza Judy Nocek Mary Nocek
Altar Servers	Luke Coyle Spencer O’Brien MC-Dianne Daleiden	Joe Siapno Iggy DeCastro MC-Isaiah Medina	<i>Volunteer</i> Eunice Daniels Josie Delgado MC-Carmen Delgado

Sunday and Holy Day Collection Totals For Fiscal Year July 1—June 30 December		Envelopes	Cash/Loose	Electronic Giving	Total
	December 4	\$1,893	\$2,474		\$4,367
	December 11	\$1,284	\$1,416		\$2,700
	December 18	\$1,573	\$1,988		\$3,561
	December 25	\$1,925	\$1,520	\$12,345	\$15,790
	Holy Days	\$ 277	\$ 35		\$ 312
	Total	\$6,952	\$7,433	\$12,345	\$26,730
Over/(Under) Monthly Budget—Year-to-Date				(\$2,596)	
Year-to-Date Collected as of December 31, 2016				\$154,037	
Planned Annual Budget for Sunday & Holy Day Collections				\$315,000	
YTD Collected as a percentage of Planned Annual Budget				49%	



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH AND SCHOOL INFORMATION AND SERVICES

Parish Center

5545 N. Paulina St., Chicago, IL 60640
 773-561-3546
 773-728-3827 (fax)—www.stgregory.net

Hours:

Monday-Thursday- 9:00am - 7:00 pm
 Friday- 9:00am - 4:30pm
 Saturday-9:00am - 4:30pm
 Sunday-9:00am - Noon

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Paul Wachdorf, *Pastor*
 Rev. Brian Fischer, *Associate Pastor*
 Sr. Barbara Quinn, *Pastoral Associate*
 Sr. Regina De Vitto, *Pastoral Associate*
 Mr. John Miaso, *Business Manager*
 Mr. Patrick Godon, *Director of Music & Liturgy*
 Ms. Bernadette Daniels, *Administrative Asst.*
 Mr. Dan Creed, *Sacristan*

Mr. Joseph Malham, *Artist-in-Residence*
 Quest Theatre Ensemble, *Artists-in-Residence*
www.questensemble.org (Reservations: 312-458-0895)
 International Chamber Artists, *Artists-in-Residence*
www.ICAmusic.org

Schools

Northside Catholic Academy (NCA) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
 Admissions Office: 773-743-6277

St. Gregory Credit Union

1609 W. Gregory St., Chicago, IL 60640
 773-561-5493
 Sunday 9:30am-12:00pm & Wednesday 7:00pm-9:00pm

St. Gregory the Great APP

Can be found at St. Gregory the Great, Chicago IL
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Masses

Sunday: Saturday Evening—4:30pm, Sunday—8:30am and 10:30am.

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday—8:30am

Holy Days of Obligation: Please check the Sunday bulletin for Holy Day Schedules.

Sacraments

Baptisms: First Sunday of the Month—1:00pm (except during Lent)

Weddings: Arrange with a pastoral staff member at least six months in advance. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

Reconciliation

Saturday— 3:30pm - 4:15pm

Services

Prayer Requests: If you or a family member or relative is ill and would like to be included on the list of prayer requests, please call the Parish Center.

Mass Intentions: You may request a Mass intention for someone who is living or deceased or special occasions such as birthdays, special anniversary, get well wishes. Please call or stop by the Parish Center.

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 1st Friday of each month, 9:00am-7:00pm, except when funerals are scheduled.
Novena To Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays 6:30pm

Taizé Prayer Service

The Taizé Prayer Service will focus on seasonal icons. Taizé Prayer Service will be held in Church on Sundays at 4:00pm. Please check the bulletin or our website at www.stgregory.net (under the "About Us" tab) for the next scheduled prayer service.