

The Gregorian



October 1, 2017

Twenty 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.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

On Friday, October 6, 2017 there will be Eucharistic Adoration in Church beginning at 9a.m and will end with Benediction at 7p.m. Please consider spending time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament as a way of entering more deeply into the discipline of prayer. Please enter the Church through the side door by the handicap ramp off the Courtyard parking lot.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES SPEAKER

A consultant from Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Chicago will speak to us after communion at all our weekend Masses this weekend. He will provide information and answer questions about Catholic burial practices, including cremation and pre-planning your burial needs. Following his talk, Catholic Cemeteries will send out an information brochure to all registered parishioners. Please welcome Al Dorado.

KOLBE HOUSE JAIL MINISTRY MASS OF RECONCILIATION

The Kolbe House Jail Ministry invites all those affected by incarceration as well as those who wish to offer their supportive presence to a Mass of Reconciliation followed by fellowship on Saturday, October 7, at 5:00 p.m. at Assumption BVM Church. This and every Saturday thereafter, the church will be open at 4:00 p.m. for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and quiet prayer and the Mass will conclude with a blessing with the relic of St. Dismas, the man convicted on the cross alongside Jesus. The intention of these Masses will be for the men and women involved in the criminal justice system, the victims of crime, and the families of detainees and prisoners. On the first Saturday of each month, a potluck supper for all in attendance will follow the Eucharist. For more information, contact Kolbe House, the jail ministry of the Archdiocese of Chicago, at 773.247.0070 or info@kolbehouseministry.org. Kolbe House is located at Assumption BVM Parish at 2434 South California Avenue.

FREE COPIES OF WORD AMONG US FOR OCTOBER

There is a table in the vestibule of Church on which you will find free copies of The Word Among Us for October. This booklet contains the prayers and readings for each day of the week along with a daily meditation. Please feel free to take one and read through it as a way to help you better enter into our parish celebrations of the Eucharist.

OCTOBER COUNT

Every year the Archdiocese of Chicago takes what is called an October count. Every parish is asked to count of the number of people who attend Mass during the month of October. Next weekend through the end of October, our ushers will be taking a count of attendance at our three weekend Masses. The October count is very important in terms of Renew My Church. One of the criteria the Archdiocese will be using to determine the future of each of the parishes of the Archdiocese is the number of people who attend Church every weekend – is that number going up, staying the same or decreasing. Last year our October count averaged 520 people. Can I encourage you to attend Mass during October and to invite family, friends, neighbors to join us during October to make sure that our October count either increases or stays the same. – Fr. Paul

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 YOUNG ADULTS

SIX WEEKS WITH THE WORD OF GOD—YOUNG ADULT SCRIPTURE FAITH SHARING

Are you looking for a meaningful way to grow in your Faith and learn more about the Word of God? This year, the Archdiocese of Chicago is launching Six Weeks With the Word of God: Young Adult Scripture Faith Sharing to provide you with a wonderful opportunity to do just that. Beginning in the third week of September, groups of young adults will meet in nine different locations across the Archdiocese of Chicago on a weekly basis in a comfortable community environment, from outdoor parks to parish halls. Six Weeks With the Word of God sessions will combine elements of study, support, and fun, ultimately enabling attendees to help one another to find God in their lives. For more information, please visit pvm.archchicago.org/events/six-weeks-with-the-word-of-god You can register to join a Six Weeks With the Word of God group by visiting www.cvent.com/d/15qhdh

"Interested in helping plan future St. Greg's Young Adults events? Join us for our upcoming planning meetings this fall:

Wednesday, October 11 @ 6:30pm

Wednesday, November 8 @ 6:30pm

We will meet at Jerry's Sandwiches in Andersonville: 5419 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60640. Please contact vashti.emigh@gmail.com with any questions."

MOMS, POPS & TOTS

Moms & Dads

Playgroup is up and running again after a summer hiatus! Babies through preschoolers and their parents or caregivers are welcome in the Basehart Room (in the gym building) on Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11am! Come and play with us!

Michaelmas Bonfire + Potluck! Please join us on September 30 from 5-8pm at the Alznauers' home to celebrate the feast of the Archangels! Lots of fun is planned for kiddos, and roast chicken will be provided. Please bring a dish to share! RSVP to Amy (amyalz@gmail.com) or Elizabeth (elizaraxi@gmail.com) for the exact address.

Well-Read Mom: Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 4 at 7:30pm on the second floor of the parish center. We will discuss Gilead by Marilynne Robinson. New members are welcome!

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO FIREARMS POLICY

The Archdiocese of Chicago is committed to providing safe environments for the community. In the midst of a culture of violence, the Church is a staunch voice to call us to be a place of peace. The Archdiocese has long had a best practice restricting the presence of firearms in our facilities. Most of our buildings display signage, consistent with the laws of the State of Illinois, indicating that these weapons are prohibited on the premises. Cardinal Cupich recently distributed a Policy aimed at updating and clarifying the Archdiocese's position on the prohibition of firearms on all property it owns and controls.

The Archdiocese respects the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and recognizes the right to lawfully possess a firearm for personal protection, hunting, or other sports. The Archdiocese has sought to balance the rights of all who visit our properties with the need to protect children, the elderly and other vulnerable populations. However, this Policy is rooted in the belief that our churches and community spaces are intended to be sacred sites where people come to gather, pray, and worship God. There are exceptions to this policy for law enforcement officers, and authorized security personnel. For more information about this Policy, please visit archchicago.org.

FREE FLU SHOTS—TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017

Alderman Patrick J. O'Connor 's office in cooperation with the Chicago Department of Health will be hosting a **FREE FLU SHOT** day on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 from 10:00am to 2:00pm located at Alderman O'Connor's Public Service Office at 5850 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL

ICON EXHIBIT

Artist in residence Joe Malham is having his annual icon exhibition on Saturday, October 7 from 3-10 pm in the artist's studio on the 3rd floor of the Parish Center. Joe will have new works on canvas, paper and limited edition signed prints for sale. All the parishioners are invited to this annual Saint Gregory tradition. There will be snacks and beverages and a framed, signed icon print that will be raffled off with the proceeds going to the Memorial Fund. For more information please call Joe at the Parish Center or email him at joe@trinityicons.com.



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT ANNUAL GRAND RAFFLE—2017

St. Gregory raffle tickets are now available in the back of Church. Please pick up an envelope on your way out. Purchase them for yourself or sell them to your family and friends. Raffle tickets cost \$5.00/each. *This year's drawing will be held once again at the Bear Down Chow Down event in the High School cafeteria on Sunday December 10, 2017.*

NIGHTFEVER FOR YOUNG ADULTS

All young adults are invited to Nightfever to be held at Holy Name Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 7, 2017. There will be a Mass at 7:30 p.m. The celebrant and homilist will be Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A., the Augustinian Advisor at Villanova University. Through Eucharist, Adoration, Reconciliation, song, silence and prayer, Nightfever will gift those present with an experience of Christ's love for them. Nightfever will begin at 9:00 p.m. followed by night prayer at 11:30p.m. For more information, go to www.nightfeverchicago.org.

SAINT GREGORY SINGERS

"Do you like to sing? Are you between the ages of 5 and 17 years old? Join the Saint Gregory Singers!! The Saint Gregory Singers is a group of young voices who come together to bring music to the Saint Gregory parish and to our Andersonville community. This choir meets each Sunday from 11:45am-1pm in the choir loft. Young singers work together on basic music theory, exploring new music from different cultures, singing for Saint Gregory masses and caroling in the community. For more information, contact Jennifer Sherrill at jsherrill1979@yahoo.com or by phone at 630.935.5366. Also, check out our website! <http://saintgregorysingers.blogspot.com/> We look forward to hearing your lovely voice."

SENATE BILL 1947

Illinois lawmakers recently approved and the governor signed into law Senate Bill 1947, which modernizes the state's education funding formula and introduces a Scholarship Tax Credit that can be used by eligible students across the state at Catholic & private schools. Read more about this new program at www.ilcatholic.org. Let's thank the lawmakers who voted "yes" on SB 1947. Their "yes" vote required a difficult balance of competing issues to consider, and we thank them for making the children of Illinois a priority. Go to www.ilcatholic.org to email or call them to say "thank you." – Cardinal Blase Cupich

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PLEDGE REPORT UPDATE

Our parish goal this year for the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal was \$21,452. The amount actually pledged thus far is \$42,843. I want to thank you for your generosity that helped us to exceed our parish goal. What this means is that if all pledges are paid in full, our parish will receive a rebate of \$21,391. As of today, \$38,551 in pledges have been paid which means that thus far we are guaranteed a rebate of \$17,099. Any rebate we receive will go towards replenishing the funds in our Parish Building Maintenance and Repair Fund. Thank you again for your generosity and for your support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. – Fr. Paul

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

October 11—12:00pm—Regular meeting—Menu: Bratwurst & German potato salad

October 25—Horseshoe Casino, Bus leaves at 10:40am—Cost \$5

November 8—12:00pm—Regular meeting—Menu: Pasta bar and salad

December 13—Christmas Party—La Villa Banquets—Cost \$35

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, October 1

8:30am—+Ding Catayong
10:30am—+Birt, McCann & McManamon families
+John Lux

MONDAY, October 2

8:30am—+Maureen De Vitto
5th anniversary of death

TUESDAY, October 3

8:30am—Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, October 4

8:30am—+Memorial Fund

THURSDAY, October 5

8:30am—Parishioners

FRIDAY, October 6

8:30am—+Dotty McGee

SATURDAY, October 7

8:30am—Limus Lopez, *God's healing blessings and consolation*

4:30pm—+Adrienne Fischer
+George Melbye

SUNDAY, October 8

8:30am—+Ederlina Silvano
+Jean Lavelle
10:30am—+Julian Gomez
+Justin Hornsby

Prayer List

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

Eloise Coughlin
Colleen Dwyer
Ida Scott
James Butler
Peter Saldanha
Virginia Rodriquez
Marylyn Ahlfeld
Kelly Sirotkin
Mark Dichosa
Bill Barker
Joan Lycknell
Michael Schlee
Horace Rutledge
Edy Marroquin
Stanley Gnoske
Matthew Nilson

Tom Ahlfeld
Mary Bredemeier
Cassandra Christina Morales
Jesus Manuel Rosario
Eileen Casey
Dan Seelman
Marilyn Gillis Lading
Rosa Maria Santos
Tania Rojas
Rodolfo Nabong
Dolores Pinnello

Our Armed Forces

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

Anthony DelRosario

Memorial Fund



Wedding Banns



*II. Paul Leon & Grace Cunningham
III. Jarod Ramses & Maritza Torres-Ramses*

Weekly Calendar

October 1 (Sunday)

11:30am—CCW meeting—Parish Center
1:00pm—Baptism—Church
2:00pm—Quest Performance—Social Hall
5:00pm—Charismatic Prayer group—Fr. Baseheart rm.

October 2 (Monday)

7:00pm—Parish Pastoral Council—Parish Center

October 3 (Tuesday)

7:00pm—Bingo—Social Hall

October 4 (Wednesday)

6:30pm—Novena—Church
8:00pm—Choir rehearsal—Church

October 6 (Friday)

9:00am—Adoration—Church
6:45pm—Women's scripture study—Parish Center
8:00pm—Quest Performance—Social Hall

October 7 (Saturday)

9:30am—SSR classes—Gym bldg.
8:00pm—Quest Performance—Social Hall

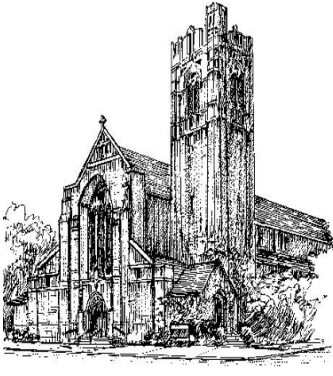


Readings for the Week

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

Liturgical Ministries (October 7/October 8)

	Saturday—4:30pm	Sunday—8:30am	Sunday—10:30am
Presider	Fr. Brian Fischer	Fr. Brian Fischer	Fr. Paul Wachdorf
Lectors/Commentators	Jane Hirt Sr. Darlene Mayo	Elaine Osborne Elizabeth Wilschke	Brett Hartsfield Gerry Malone
Eucharistic Ministers	Mireille Cernek Cathy Decker Pat Sullivan	Gloria Delacruz David/Laurette Liesen Nanette Medina Irene Rotter	Carmen Delgado Roger Dore Marianne Lee Remedios Ryan
Altar Servers	Ava Budziszewski Thomas Budziszewski MC-Dan Creed	Isaiah Medina Iggly Decastro MC-Joe Siapno	John Alznauer Meg Alznauer Josie Delgado MC-Carmen Delgado

Sunday and Holy Day Collection Totals For Fiscal Year July 1—June 30 August	Envelopes	Cash/Loose	Electronic Giving	Total	
	August 6	\$1,669	\$ 709	\$2,378	
	August 13	\$1,061	\$ 726	\$1,787	
	August 20	\$1,229	\$2,058	\$3,267	
	August 27	\$1,408	\$ 762	\$12,577	
	Holy Days	\$ 30	\$ 169	\$ 199	
	Total	\$5,397	\$4,404	\$12,577	\$22,378
	Over/(Under) Monthly Budget—Year-to-Date			(\$3,866)	
	Year-to-Date Collected as of August 31, 2017			\$50,433	
	Planned Annual Budget for Sunday & Holy Day Collections			\$315,000	
YTD Collected as a percentage of Planned Annual Budget			16%		

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
iPhone Users-Text : great1 to 555888
Android Users-Text : great2 to 555888

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.

St. Gregory the Great Parish Calendar

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 11:30am-CCW meeting 1:00pm-Baptism 2:00pm-Quest Perf. 5:00pm-Charismatic Prayer group	2 7:00pm-Parish Pastoral Council meeting	3 7:00pm-Bingo	4 6:30pm-Novena	5	6 9:00am-Adoration 6:45pm-Women's Scripture study 8:00pm-Quest Perf.	7 9:30am-SSR classes 3:00pm-Icon Exhibit 8:00pm-Quest Perf.
8 11:30am-Altar Servers Luncheon 2:00pm-Quest Perf. 5:00pm-Charismatic Prayer group	9	10 7:00pm-Bingo	11 12:00pm-Friendship club 6:30pm-Novena 7:00pm-CAPS mtg.	12 7:00pm-Choir rehearsal	13 6:45pm-Women's Scripture study 8:00pm-Quest Perf.	14 9:30am-SSR classes 8:00pm-Quest Perf.
15 2:00pm-Quest Perf. 5:00pm-Charismatic Prayer group	16 7:00pm-Finance Council meeting	17 7:00pm-Bingo	18 6:30pm-Novena	19	20 6:45pm-Women's Scripture study 8:00pm-Quest Perf.	21 9:30am-SSR classes 8:00pm-Quest Perf.
22 11:30am-Parish appreciation luncheon 2:00pm-Quest Perf. 5:00pm-Charismatic Prayer group	23	24 7:00pm-Bingo	25 6:30pm-Novena 7:00pm-Choir rehearsal	26	27 11:00am-SVDP mtg. 6:45pm-Women's Scripture study 8:00pm-Quest Perf.	28 9:30am-SSR classes 8:00pm-Quest Perf.
29 2:00pm-Quest Perf. 5:00pm-Charismatic Prayer group	30	31 Halloween 7:00pm-Bingo				<u>Credit Union hours</u> SUNDAYS 9:30AM—12:00PM WEDNESDAYS 7:00PM—9:00PM