

PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

We're thankful for all of our wonderful parishioners and hope you all enjoy time with family and friends.

PASTOR: Fr. Jack Ahern

RESIDENCE: Fr. Brian F. McMahon
Fr. James Ojo

BUSINESS MANAGER: Julie A. Hayes

MUSIC DIRECTOR: James Busby, D. Mus.

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

DAILY MASSES: Monday - Friday 6:45 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Saturday at 1:00 p.m. and Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Please call rectory in advance to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday: Noon—1:00 pm to allow both the celebration of the Sacrament weekly and to schedule funerals.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married should contact Fr. Jack at least six months prior to the date requested.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: First full weekend of the month after Mass, or anytime by request.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: First Saturday of the month from Noon—1:00 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Classes begin in October each year. Please contact the rectory for more information.

ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC ACADEMY - LOWER MILLS
Lisa Warshafsky, Principal
Tel: 617-265-0019, Website: www.sjp2ca.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday morning.

Encourage each other daily while it is still today.
Hebrews 3:13



Entrance Hymn: BB# 723 Crown Him with Many Crowns
Closing Hymn: BB# 724 Rejoice the King is Lord



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

4:00 PM Michael Fuge (20th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00 AM James and Frances Shannon (Memorial)

10:00 AM Helen McCarthy (Birthday Memorial)

5:00 PM John Kovalchik (47th Anniversary)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

6:45 AM Joan Marshall (Anniversary)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

6:45 AM Nguyen Kim Hoang (Memorial)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

6:45 AM Parishioners & Friends of St. Gregory Parish

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

6:45 AM Mary Nhan Do (Anniversary)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

6:45 AM Andrew & Lillian Canning and
Nancy Lee (Memorial)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

4:00 PM Fritzca Toussaint and Fauricia Andre (Mem)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

7:00 AM John Mulvey, Sr. (Birthday Memorial)

10:00 AM Joseph Folan (17th Anniversary)

5:00 PM Teresa Clancy & Dennis McLaughlin (Mem)

Please keep in your prayers

Please pray for all those who have died recently, that they may rest in God's peace. Please also remember their families and friends. Please also pray all the sick and suffering.

Pope Leo's Intention for November

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory for 11/16/25: \$7,452.00

Grand Annual Collection : \$69,967.00

(includes online and mailed in giving)

To give online go to stgregoryparish.com click the green button "Give". For help, call Julie in the rectory.

Grand Annual Collection 2025

Thank you to all who so generously contributed last weekend to our Parish's Grand Annual Collection, which assists us to pay our bills, address ongoing maintenance and needed capital improvements on the property.

So, if possible, I am asking you to consider a gift that helps us pay off our debt, become solvent and hopefully address some additional capital needs.

Given this, I ask you to consider a gift to the Grand Annual Appeal. This can be done by a one-time gift or done with monthly payments.

Again, thank you for your support, kindness and understanding.

Fr. Jack Aherm

Supermarket Gift Cards are Always Needed

Thanks to all who have donated cards or money to help those in need. New people come to our door each week for assistance. All donations are welcome and appreciated more than you know! If you cannot get a card yourself, we would be happy to get it for you. Please make checks payable to St. Gregory Parish and put "food card" in the notation. You can also donate online by going to www.stgregoryparish.com press the "Give" button and then select "Food Pantry Donation". Thank you for your continued generosity.

"There is no shortage of theories attempting to justify the present state of affairs or to explain that economic thinking requires us to wait for invisible market forces to resolve everything. Nevertheless, the dignity of every human person must be respected today, not tomorrow, and the extreme poverty of all those to whom this dignity is denied should constantly weigh upon our consciences."

Pope Leo XIV

"Dilexi Te"



Christmas Outreach



This Advent Season, St. Gregory's is responding to the needs of our many families in the Parish and at St. John Paul II Catholic Academy who are hoping to make Christmas morning an exciting and blessed time for their children.

Next weekend we will have gift request slips to pick up at the entrances of the Church. Some of the items we are looking for include: Dolls (brown/black skin), Lego sets, Books (all ages), Arts and Crafts materials, Trucks and cars, Soccer balls, Footballs, Basketballs, Magnatiles, STEM activities, and any other toy, game, or item that a child from 3 to 14 years of age might enjoy. Gift Cards (Target, Walmart, Amazon) are also very much appreciated and can assist parents in choosing other needed items.

All items can be dropped off at the rectory or at the entrance between December 6th and December 14th.

St. John Paul II Catholic Academy Lower Mills

Annual Winterfest Celebration Sunday, December 14th

11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.—Come and spread the holiday cheer! Get your shopping done early while mingling with SJPII families, friends and neighbors. There will be food, games, raffles, crafts for kids, shopping, wreaths and, of course, Santa!



Holiday Stroll/Small Business Saturday Saturday, November 29th from 3pm—6pm Inside the Walter Baker Artist Loft

Visit our merchants, ride the trolley, strolling and caroling, hot chocolate/Santa. Entertainment by Good Fountain Singers. Book signings by historian Anthony Sammarco, Anne Ku, and murder mystery writer Mary Stibal.

Tree Lighting at 6PM, St. John Paul II Catholic Academy

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in his goodness, sends to us day after day."
-St. Gianna Beretta Molla



A moment of thanks for a lifetime of service



Second Collection Today for Retired Religious Sisters

Today's second collection helps to provide for the needs of the nearly 1,400 Retired Sisters who dedicated their lives to building and serving the Greater Boston area in countless ways. Today, 80% of the Sisters' healthcare and retirement expenses go unmet by social security benefits. In their time of need, every contribution makes a difference.

Please let your hearts be guided to generously support them for their many years of service to Christ, to our communities, and to the greater Church.

Please make checks payable to **St. Gregory Parish** and we will, in turn, send one check to the Sisters.

Thank you for your generosity and prayerful support of our Retired Sisters. If you would like to send your donation directly, you can send a check made payable to the Archdiocese of Boston, Delegate for Religious, 66 Brooks Drive, Braintree, MA 02184



A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

O God, when I have food, help me to remember the hungry; When I have work, help me to remember the jobless; When I have a home, help me to remember those who have no home at all. When I am without pain, help me to remember those who suffer, and remembering, help me to destroy my complacency; bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to help; by word and deed, let us remember those who cry out for what we take for granted. Amen.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Will be celebrated on Thursday, November 27th at 6:45 a.m. in the lower church.