# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

## Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton

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**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.

**EUCHARISTIC 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

SAINT GREGORY PARISH DORCHESTER, MA



Entrance Hymn: BB# 464 Christ Be Our Light Closing Hymn: BB# 59 Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates



#### **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)

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2**

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

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

6:45 AM **Special Intention** 

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4**

Peter Long Le (Anniversary) 6:45 AM

#### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5**

Michael Dien Do (Anniversary) 6:45 AM

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

Arnold Williams (1st Anniversary) 4:00 PM

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7**

7:00 AM Catherine Folan (Anniversary)

10:00 AM Belmiro Bala Sena (3rd Anniversary) 5:00 PM Ann and Joseph Laflamme (Memorial)

#### 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 December

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

#### OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory for 11/23 (will be reported next week—early bulletin submission because of Holiday)

#### **Grand Annual Collection: \$69,967.00**

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



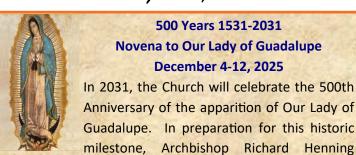
### **Thanksgiving Gratitude**



In some ways the true Thanksgiving spirit invites us to look beyond our struggles and hurts, our cynicism, and disappointments, to realize the blessings of God in our lives and the reasons every one of us has for hope and possibility.

We would like to thank Lee Kennedy Co. Inc. for providing all the turkeys and to so many of you who donated food cards, checks, and cash to make it possible for some 200 families to purchase more groceries and complete the meals and enjoy a more joyous day together.

> Thank you, Fr. Jack Julie Hayes



### 500 Years 1531-2031 Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe December 4-12, 2025

In 2031, the Church will celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe. In preparation for this historic

invites all Catholics across the Archdiocese of Boston to join him in praying a special Novena to our Lady of Guadalupe held at a different parish each night from

December 4th through December 12th. Scan the QR code to view the list of parish locations.



### **DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

The award-winning Daughters of St. Paul Choir is holding their 'We See His Glory Christmas Concert" on Saturday, December 13th at 7pm and Sunday, December 14th at 3PM at the Natick High School Theater. Join us for an evening of joyful music, stories, & prayer. For details & ticket information visit Pauline.org/concert or call 617-676-4458.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 30, 2025



### **USCCB Special Message on Immigration**

Earlier in November the Catholic Bishops of the United States issued a "Special Message" on immigration that emphasizes the God-given human dignity of all immigrants, calls for meaningful immigration reform, and expresses opposition to indiscriminate mass deportations and dehumanizing rhetoric. They also suggest that a just and orderly system of immigration and national security are not in conflict.

The bishops assured immigrants of their solidarity and commitment to stand with them in their suffering and expressed sadness over the "climate of fear and anxiety" among immigrant communities and the "vilification of immigrants" in contemporary debate.

Finally, they urged clergy, religious and lay faithful to continue and expand efforts to assist them.



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 <a href="https://www.stgregoryparish.com">www.stgregoryparish.com</a> press the "Give" button and then select "Food Pantry Donation". Thank you for your continued generosity.

"Our love and our deepest convictions need to be continually cultivated, and we do so through our concrete actions. Remaining in the realm of ideas and theories, while failing to give them expression through frequent and practical acts of charity, will eventually cause even our most cherished hopes and aspirations to weaken and fade away."

Pope Leo XIV "Dilexi Te"



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on **Saturday**, **December 6th from 12 (noon) until 1:00 p.m**. Confessions will be heard during this time.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**



Anointing of the Sick will take place after all the Masses on Saturday, December 6th and Sunday, December 7th.



### 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 6<sup>th</sup> and December14th.

St. John Paul II Catholic Academy
Lower Mills



Annual Winterfest Celebration Sunday, December 14th

