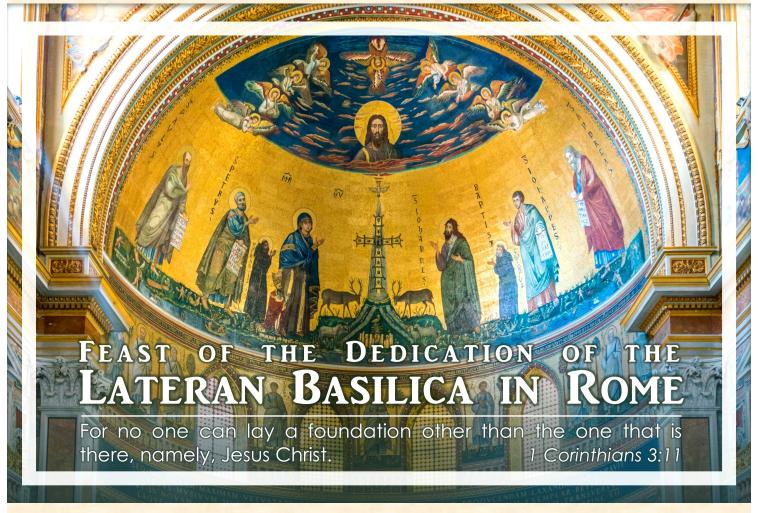
# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

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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.

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Monday morning.

Encourage each other daily while it is still today.

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SAINT GREGORY PARISH DORCHESTER, MA



Entrance Hymn: BB# 441 Christ is Made the Sure Foundtn Closing Hymn: BB# 567 A Mighty Fortress



# **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

4:00 PM Kim Johnson, John Johnson &

Catherine Ann Gouzoule (Memorial)

# **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

7:00 AM Helen and Henry Lunny (Memorial)

10:00 AM Joanne Lobaccaro (Memorial)

5:00 PM Helen, Clifford and Susan Johnson (Mem)

# **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12**

6:45 AM Sheila Deery (Memorial)

### **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13**

6:45 AM Beulah Nyack (Memorial)

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

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

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15**

4:00 PM Nancy & Rev Greene, Peter and Robert

Greene (Memorial)

# **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

7:00 AM Prosper Akpabie (Memorial)

10:00 AM William I. O'Connell (5th Anniversary)5:00 PM James & Winifred O'Sullivan (Memorial)

# Please keep in your prayers

Please pray for Mary Christine Doyle, and all those who have died recently, that they may rest in God's peace. Please also remember their families and friends. Please also pray for Stanley Dworkin, and 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.

Today's special collection supports the victims of Hurricane Melissa. Your donation will provide lifesaving support—including emergency shelter, clean water and essential supplies—to families most at risk. Please write "Hurricane Melissa Relief" in the memo section if you are writing a check. Envelopes will be provided at the back of the church.

#### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

### Offertory for 11/2/25: \$6,332.00

(includes online and mailed in giving)

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



#### November: The Month of All Souls

During the month of November, we remember in a special way all those who touched and continue to touch our lives with their love, wisdom, joy, grace and peace, and now live in the presence of God.

In the front lobby of the Church there is a Book of Remembrance where you can add the name(s) of your deceased family and loved ones. Envelopes are also at the entrances of the Church where you can add names which will be placed on the Altar. Please, there is no need to place any money in those envelopes.

"They whom we love and lose are no longer where they were before. They are now wherever we are."

St. John Chrysostom

# God Needs Priests. Is He Calling You? If you are 30-60 years old, you may be surprised

First Friday Visits 2025: November 7th and December 5th 5:00 p.m. Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary, Holy Hour and Evening Prayer. In-person visit includes dinner with seminarians and tour or seminary. Virtual Visit: Live stream Holy Hour followed by a Zoom visit. Call 781-899-5500 x134. <a href="mailto:firstfriday@psjs.edu">firstfriday@psjs.edu</a>

# The Nineteenth Annotation Retreat of the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola

An Invitation to Meet Christ in Prayer, arranged by Fr.John Sassani & Mary Ann McLaughlin is being offered in a group setting for Catholic adults. The number of participants will be limited. These Spiritual Exercises extend over the course of twenty-three weeks and are loosely aligned with the liturgical year. The group will use the ZOOM Format to meet weekly, on line, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon starting on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 through Wednesday, April 22, 2026. Mary Ann McLaughlin and Deacon Dan Burns will direct the Spiritual Exercises. For further information please call Mary

Ann at 617-682-287or email:maryannmclaughlin2@aol.com.

# THANKSGIVING Give a Turkey or Get a Turkey

Our celebration of Thanksgiving is around the corner and for many families it will be an opportunity to gather once again to celebrate.

In keeping with tradition St. Gregory's Parish hopes to be able to offer Thanksgiving Meals to families from our School and the neighborhoods of Dorchester and Mattapan. Last year we were able to assist some 200 families.

If you wish to assist us in this outreach, please consider a \$20.00 donation. You may place it in an envelope, label it for "Thanksgiving" and either place it in the receptacles at the entrances of the Church that we use for the Offertory Collection or mail it to the rectory. Thanks for your prayerful consideration.

# Annual Bishop James Augustine Healy Award Dinner

Join us for the 32nd Annual Bishop James Augustine Healy Award Dinner—a joyful, spirit-filled evening honoring the vibrant, faith-filled leadership of Black Catholics in the Archdiocese of Boston at Boston College High School on **November 15th.** This year's awardees include Cardinal Seán O'Malley, Maître Jean-Louis Daniel, and Rev. Michael Fernando Davidson, S.J. Visit <a href="bit.ly/healydinner">bit.ly/healydinner</a> to register.

# **Supermarket Gift Cards are Always Needed**

Thanks to all who have donated cards 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. Thank you for your continued generosity.

"A generous spirit is itself great wealth."

+ St. Leo the Great, pope (400-461 A.D.)

"The Almighty will not be outdone in generosity to those who serve the people most in need: the greater the love for the poor, the greater the reward from God."



Pope Leo XIV "Dilexi Te"





# St. Gregory's Grand Annual Collection

The Grand Annual kicks off next weekend, November 15-16. Please see today's insert which includes the Annual Report to the Parishioners along with a note from the Pastor.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration to this important collection for the Parish.



First Communion Class will meet in the Lower Church Prayer Room on Sunday, November 9th from 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.



# Veterans's Day—November 11

Veterans Day is a time for reflection, remembrance, and gratitude. It is a day dedicated to honoring the brave men and women who have served in the military, often sacrificing their well-being and safety to protect our freedoms. For many, the service they offered came at a great cost—emotionally, physically, and spiritually. Veterans carry with them experiences and memories that can last a lifetime, affecting their lives in ways that may not always be visible. As a society, we must acknowledge their sacrifices, offer them our thanks, and support them as they navigate the challenges they face after service.

Merciful Father, we pray that every veteran may find peace that surpasses all understanding in You. Many have faced battles on the field and within their hearts. Ease their minds, calm their anxieties, and fill them with Your everlasting peace. May their souls be still in Your presence, knowing they are cherished and valued.

Amen