

PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton

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1st

SUNDAY
OF LENT

*"It is written: One does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes forth from the
mouth of God." (Mt 4:4)*

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 - Saturday 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.

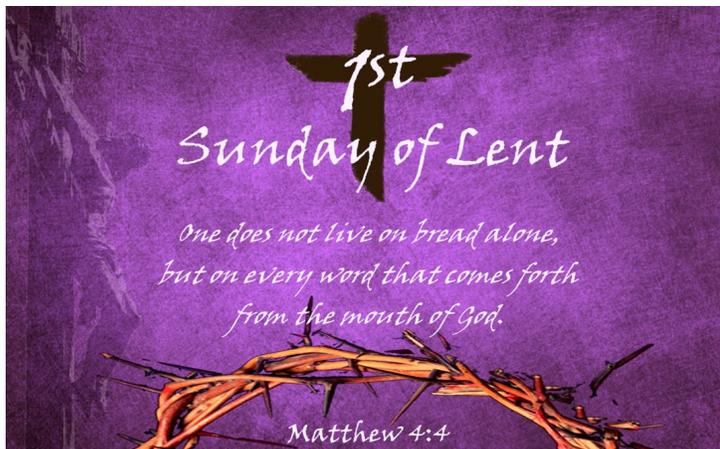
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be
married should contact Fr. Jack at least six months prior to
the date requested.

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



Entrance Hymn: BB# 132 Forty Days and Forty Nights
Closing Hymn: BB# 581 O Bless the Lord My Soul



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

4:00 PM Mark Gill Walsh (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:00 AM John J. Mulvey, Sr. (Anniversary)

10:00 AM Peg Collupy (1st Anniversary)

5:00 PM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:45 am Mary Ann Lomba (Memorial)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:45 am Arthur Gailius (Memorial)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

4:00 PM Paul K. Leary (Memorial)

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

7:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving (Peg Mulvey)

10:00 AM Matthew Roper (6th Anniversary),
 Jimmy Donovan, Stephen Kane, and
 Pete Donovan (Memorial)

5:00 PM Paula Nee (Anniversary)

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 February

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope. .

OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory for 2/15/26: \$ 8,586.00

Grand Annual Collection: \$87,423.00

Air Conditioner Donations: \$23,968.00

(includes online donations)

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



St. Gregory's Air Conditioning System

An immediate capital issue for the Parish is the replacement of our Church Chiller Unit for the air conditioning. It limped through the summer and by early Fall was unrepairable. The estimate received for this work is \$110,537.00.

If you would like to make a donation to replace the chiller, please take an envelope specially marked for this cause. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church. Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration.



LOWER MILLS COMMUNITY PANTRY

HOSTED BY ST. GREGORY PARISH

All are Welcome!

Please feel free to take what you need and give what you can. In our community, we take care of each other! Pick-up & Drop Off Location: St. Gregory Church, Under side stairs facing Mother Julia Road, Dorchester Ave in Lower Mills. Please leave shelf stable foods like rice, canned goods and hygiene products in the cupboard. Please do not leave anything outside the cupboard. If full, check back tomorrow and see if there is room.

The Archdiocese of Boston Social Justice Ministry Presents

The Social Justice Convocation

Boston College High School

Saturday, March 14, 2026, 8:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Join us for a day filled with reflection, dialogue, and action as we celebrate the 17th Annual Archdiocese of Boston Social Justice Convocation. Let's amplify our commitment to creating a world that upholds justice, equality and human rights for all. Together we can build an equitable world. For more information, please visit

Bostoncatholic.org/social-justice-ministry



ARCHDIOCESE OF BOSTON | CATHOLIC APPEAL

Together We Are One

Next weekend, the 2026 Catholic Appeal will officially launch here at St. Gregory parish and across our Archdiocese. As your pastor, I hope and encourage you to join me in making a gift to this year's Catholic Appeal. As a parish, our participation in the Catholic Appeal signifies an important way that we can share Christ's promise, care, and love with others. For those who have already made a gift, please know that I am deeply grateful. We are hoping to have 100% participation from our parish! When we reach our Appeal goal, our parish will receive funds back for our local programs and ministries. To make an online gift, please visit: www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.

Fr. Jack



Adjusted Office Hours for Several Weeks

Please note that for the next several weeks, the rectory offices will be **open Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** If you need a Mass card, would like to schedule a Mass or for any business matter, please call or visit the rectory during those hours. For urgent matter, call Fr. Jack at 617-298-2460 and when you hear the prompt for Fr. Jack, press 2.



Faith Formation

First Communion Class

No First Communion Class today. Enjoy your Vacation! Class will resume on Sunday, March 1st.

Confirmation Class

Confirmation Class will be held this **Thursday, February 26th at 6:30 p.m.** in the lower church. **(A week later than usual, due to February school vacation week.)**



Daily Mass

6:45 a.m. Monday—Saturday in the Upper Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Noon to 1:00 p.m.

In the Upper Church

Stations of the Cross

Friday Evenings 7:00 PM in the Upper Church

Lenten Disciplines of Abstinence: Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are for individuals from age 14 onwards. As you embrace this discipline, please pray for those who go to bed hungry each night. It is estimated that 37% of families with children (1 in 3 households) in eastern Massachusetts do not have sufficient or quality food.

Lenten Almsgiving

Together with St. John Paul II Catholic Academy, Lower Mills, and the Corey C. Griffin Foundation, we will try to collect over 400 items in 40 days for children at Boston Children's Hospital.

Most Needed Items

(all items must be new in package)

- Gift Cards (Target Visa, Amazon) to be used for soft/fuzzy blankets, mattress topper and gaming room items.
- Pajama Pants (boys and girls—sizes 5T to youth 14)
- Handheld games (UNO Playing cards, Simon, Rubik Cube, etc.)
- Squish mallows (all sizes)
- handheld stress balls
- Fuzzy socks with grips on the bottom.

All items may be dropped off in the upper church entrance by Sunday, March 22nd.