

# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

*Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton*

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY O F L E N T

“This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” Matthew 17:5



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**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.

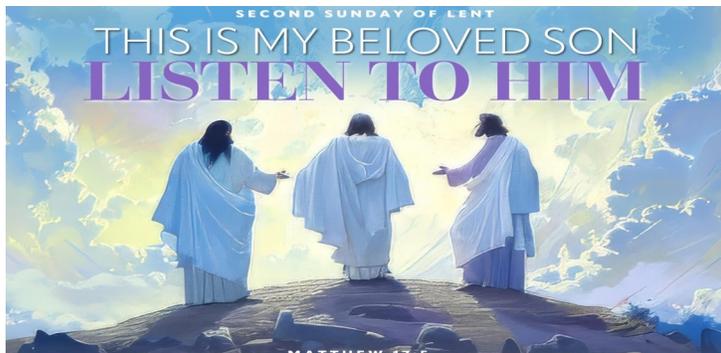
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** First Saturday of the month from Noon—1:00 p.m.

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

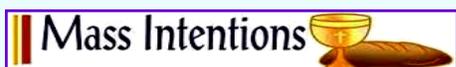
**ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC ACADEMY - LOWER MILLS**  
Lisa Warshafsky, Principal  
Tel: 617-265-0019, Website:[www.sjp2ca.org](http://www.sjp2ca.org)

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Monday morning.

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



**Entrance Hymn: BB# 440 O God Our Help In Ages Past**  
**Closing Hymn: BB# 424 Be Thou My Vision**



### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

6:45 AM Mary Johnston (Birthday Memorial)  
 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)

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 2**

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

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4**

6:45 AM Julia Ernesti (Anniversary)

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 5**

6:45 AM Marc-Elie Herisse (Memorial)

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 6**

6:45 AM Elizabeth Burke (19th Anniversary)

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 7**

4:00 PM James Monahan (9th Anniversary)

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 8**

7:00 AM Robert Norris (11th Anniversary)  
 10:00 AM Thomas Crowe (1st Anniversary)  
 5:00 PM For Disarmament and Peace (Pope's Int)

### **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 March**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

Offertory for 2/22 (will report next week)

Grand Annual Collection: \$87,423.00

Air Conditioner Donations: \$23,968.00

(includes online donations)

To give online go to [stgregoryparish.com](http://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.

### **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](http://www.stgregoryparish.com) press the "Give" button and then select "Food Pantry Donation". Thank you for your continued generosity, especially during these cold winter months.

**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](http://Bostoncatholic.org/social-justice-ministry)



**St. Agatha Church, Milton Presents**

***St. Carlo Acutis International Exhibit of  
Eucharistic Miracles***

**March 6-8—Downstairs Gathering Space**

***St. Manuel González García—Bishop of the Abandoned  
Tabernacle***— Talk—Saturday, March 8th at 9:30 a.m.,  
Downstairs Chapel

***St. Carlo Acutis—The 1st Millennial Saint***

Talk—Sunday, March 8th 10:30 a.m. (children welcome to attend) and 12:30 p.m.—Downstairs Chapel

1st Class relics of both St. Carlo and St. Manuel will be available for veneration on Saturday and Sunday. For more information call 617-698-2439



**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.

**First Communion Class**

**First Communion Class** meets today, March 1st at 10:45 a.m. in the lower church prayer room.



**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.