

PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

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LAETARE
SUNDAY

4TH

SUNDAY
OF LENT

THE MAN BORN BLIND

"The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." John 9:11

PASTOR: Fr. Jack Ahern

RESIDENCE: Fr. Brian F. McMahon
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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

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday morning.

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

"Be still and know that I am God.
 Be still and know that I am.
 Be still and know.
 Be still.
 Be."
 - St. Patrick

Entrance Hymn: BB# 447 Amazing Grace

Closing Hymn: BB# 132 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light



SATURDAY, MARCH 14

6:45 AM Marc-Elie Herisse (Memorial)
 4:00 PM Maria Bala Senna (2nd Anniversary)

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

10:00 AM Paul L. Ryan (9th Anniversary)
 5:00 PM Janet DeCaestecker (1st Anniversary)

TUESDAY, MARCH 17

6:45 AM Dr. Manfred Ernesti (Anniversary)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18

6:45 AM Marjorie Camden (Birthday Memorial)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19

6:45 AM Marc-Elie Herisse (Memorial)

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

4:00 PM Patricia & Paul Kelleher (Memorial)

SUNDAY, MARCH 22

7:00 AM John Folan (28th Anniversary)
 10:00 AM Richard Reardon (33rd Anniversary)
 5:00 PM Paul Phuong (Anniversary)

Please keep in your prayers

Please pray for Neal Dolan, Margaret Holland, 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 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 3/1/26: \$9,449.00

Grand Annual Collection: \$88,373.00

Air Conditioner Donations: \$29,143.00

(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.

Adjusted Office Hours

Please note that for the next few 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.

Annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf

Join Bishop Cristiano Barbosa for a Mass with persons with disabilities and the Deaf community on **April 12 at 2PM** at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross. Reception to follow at Cathedral High School. The Mass will be accessible for all and include a sensory-friendly space, ASL interpreters, Braille and large print worship aids. For more information and registration, visit bit.ly/MWPWDD2026

NEW Church Listening System

For those who have some difficulty hearing, we have installed a new listening system.

There are three ways to access the system:

1. with headphones;
2. FM Loop for those who have the FM feature built into their hearing aids;
3. Phone App: download LISTEN WIFI app to your phone.

The headphones and the FM loop will be available in the sacristy.



The 2026 Catholic Appeal launched across the Archdiocese of Boston last weekend. Please enter into solidarity with our brothers and sisters in need and spread hope by making a gift today.

Thank you to those who have already responded generously to Archbishop Henning's invitation to contribute. Through early support, our parish has already reached **37%** of our goal and, together, we are on our way to greater success. Thank you for your support!

Calling all parents!

This workshop, which will be held on March 21, is designed to help you grow closer to God through your experience of parenthood. Presentations, guided reflection, and prayer will help participants explore how to cultivate an everyday spirituality of parenting. By reflecting on their own parenting experiences, participants will grow in awareness of the perfect love that God, our Divine Parent, has for them and for all people. Light refreshments and childcare provided. For more information and registration, visit bit.ly/ParentsEyeWorkshop



First Communion Class

First Communion Class meets today, March 15th 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.

Thank you!