

# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

*Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton*

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## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus said to him, "I am the way and the truth and the life." John 14:6



**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.

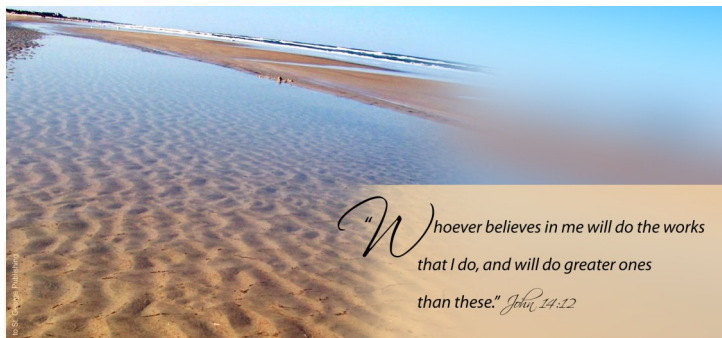
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** First Saturday of the month from Noon—1:00 p.m.

**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***



*"Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these." John 14:12*

**Entrance Hymn: BB# 627 Morning Has Broken**  
**Closing Hymn: BB# 558 For the Beauty of the Earth**



### **SATURDAY, MAY 2**

4:00 PM John and Nonnie Henderson (Memorial)

### **SUNDAY, MAY 3**

7:00 AM Rosemary & Thomas Finneran, Sr. (Memorial)

10:00 AM Parishioners, Benefactors & Friends of  
St. Gregory Parish

5:00 PM

### **THURSDAY, MAY 7**

6:45 AM Peter Giong Nguyen (Anniversary)

### **FRIDAY, MAY 8**

6:45 AM Gretchen Karpowich (Memorial)

### **SATURDAY, MAY 9**

4:00 PM Dorothy & Joseph Orlando, and  
Mark Monday (Memorial)  
Joseph A. Orlando (10th Anniversary)

### **SUNDAY, MAY 10**

7:00 AM Janet LaBonte (Memorial)

10:00 AM Richard Clancy (Memorial)

5:00 PM

### **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 May That everyone might have food**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

#### **Offertory 4/26/26:**

*(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.

### **Winter Woes**

Last winter's snowstorms were costly.  
The plowing, sand, salt and overtime totaled over  
**\$39,000.00**



### **St. Gregory's Air Conditioning System**

Last Fall, I shared with you that the Church Chiller Unit for the air conditioning barely limped through the summer and needed to be replaced.

The estimate that we received to replace the Chiller Unit for the Church is **\$110,537.00**. As of now we have raised **\$57,634.00**.

With Easter faith I ordered the unit so that it can be in place for the summer weekend Masses, Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals.

If you would like to make a donation to replace the chiller, please take an envelope especially marked for this cause. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration.

*Fr. Jack*



### **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.

**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. **Password is: saintgregory**
3. Phone App: download LISTEN WIFI app to your phone.

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

**Catholic Appeal—Together We Are One**

Thank you to those who have already responded generously to Archbishop Henning’s invitation to contribute to the Catholic Appeal. Through early support, our parish has already reached **88%** of our goal and, together, we are on our way to greater success. Thank you for your support! To donate today go to



**Project Rachel Post-Abortion Healing Retreats**

Are you – or someone you know – seeking peace after an abortion? The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women experiencing regret from a past abortion to attend a **“Come to the Waters of Healing”** one-day retreat on Saturday, May 16th (Boston/South). Location is confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, contact Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or go to [Help@projectrachelboston.com](mailto:Help@projectrachelboston.com)

**Anointing of the Sick**



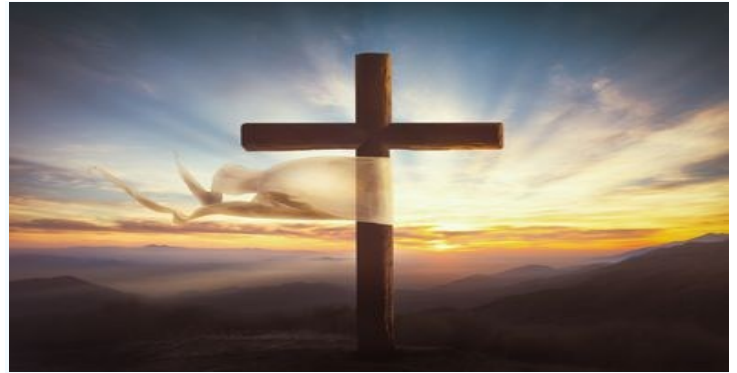
Anointing of the Sick will take place after all the Masses this weekend, Saturday, May 2nd and Sunday, May 3rd..



**MARY,  
OUR MOTHER**

The month of May is dedicated to our mother, Mary.

Spend time with her in prayer.



**Easter Season Reflections**

**“All will be well, and all will be well, and every kind of thing will be well.”**

—Julian of Norwich, *Showings*, chapter 27

During the forty days of the Easter Season “we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ, which allows faithful Christians to trust that, indeed, all will be well. I like to think of the resurrection as God’s way of telling us that God can take the worst thing in the world—the killing of the God-Human Jesus—and change it into the best thing: the redemption of the world.

To believe that Jesus was raised from the dead is actually not a leap of faith. *Resurrection and renewal are, in fact, the universal and observable pattern of everything.* We might just as well use non-religious terms like “springtime,” “regeneration,” “healing,” “forgiveness,” “life cycles,” “darkness,” and “light.” If incarnation is real, if material creation is inspirited, then resurrection in multitudinous forms is to be fully expected. Or to paraphrase a statement attributed to Albert Einstein, it is not that one thing is a miracle, but that the whole thing is a miracle!

Simply put, if death is not possible for the Christ, then it is not possible for anything that “shares in the divine nature” (2 Peter 1:4). God is by definition eternal, and God is Love (1 John 4:16), which is also eternal (1 Corinthians 13:8), and this same Love has been planted in our hearts (Romans 5:5; 8:9) by the Spirit dwelling within us. *Such fully Implanted Love cannot help but evolve and prove victorious, and our word for that final victory is “resurrection.”* Peter states this rather directly: “By raising Jesus Christ from the dead, we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoiled or soiled or fade away. It is being kept for you in the heavens . . . and will be fully revealed at the end of time” (1 Peter 1:3–5).”

*From Richard Rohr’s Daily Meditation*