

# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

*Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton*

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## *The Body and Blood of Christ*



I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord;  
whoever eats this bread will live forever. John 6:51

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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. RIP

**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# 417 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**  
**Closing Hymn: BB# 381 Lord You Give the Great Commission**



### **SATURDAY, JUNE 6**

4:00 PM John & Jean Gillespie and  
Daniel Gillespie (Memorial)

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 7**

7:00 AM John Walsh (Anniversary)  
 10:00 AM Coleman & Bridget Quinn & Family  
 5:00 PM Mary Andre (L) In Thanksgiving

### **MONDAY, JUNE 8**

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

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 9**

6:45 AM Michael Tomlinson (25th Anniversary)

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10**

6:45 AM Rick Frias & Family (Memorial)

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 13**

4:00 PM

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 14**

7:00 AM Coleman Griffin, Bridget Griffin and  
Joanne Fiske (Memorial)  
 10:00 AM John Ahern, Sr. & Dorothea Ahern (Mem)  
 5:00 PM Michael & June Wallace (Memorial)

### **Please keep in your prayers**

Please pray for Denise Swan McGillivray, 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 June**

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.

### **Supermarket Gift Cards are Always Needed**

All donations are welcome and appreciated more than you know. Thank you for your continued generosity and care for our neighbors in need of a little assistance. Thank you also to the many neighbors who stock the Lower Mills Community Pantry hosted here on the Parish grounds next to the Church on Mother Julia Road.

### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

**Offertory 5/31/26: \$6,286.00**

*(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**

Summer snuck up on us a week ago and many asked for an update on the Chiller Unit for the Church.

As you may now know (and feel) the air conditioning system is up and running, thanks to the good work of the crew from P.J Kennedy and Sons of Dorchester.

As mentioned before the expected cost to the parish is **\$110,537.00**. As of now we have raised 91,282.00. To the many who have donated, I am most grateful.

If you would like to donate 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.

*Fr. Jack*



**Memorial Mass for  
Dr. James Busby  
Music Director  
St. Gregory Parish  
Dorchester Lower Mills, MA**

*(Dr. James Busby's Requiem was held on Saturday, June 6 at St. Stephen's Church, Providence, RI)*

For more than 25 years James has been with Saint Gregory's adding beauty to our weekend Masses, Weddings, and Funerals. He brought joy to everyone around him. He will be terribly missed.

A Mass will be held for Dr. James Busby here at Saint Gregory's on **Sunday, June 21st at 10 a.m.** We hope you will be able to join us for his Memorial Mass.

Rest eternal grant unto him, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

**The Solemnity of the Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ; *Corpus Christi*. It is a celebration that invites us to reflect on the nature of the Eucharist – the True and Abiding Presence of Jesus; but it also invites us to reflect on how fervent our own belief in the Eucharist is. This feast invites us into the wonder, the awe, the amazement – the miracle – that is the Body and Blood of Christ.

This ancient feast comes to us from the 13th century; an era in the history of the Church that was plagued by disbelief or incorrect belief about the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. It was the experience of a priest, Peter of Prague that would make this a universal feast for the Church. In 1263, Fr. Peter was on pilgrimage to Rome. He was a good, pious priest who strived for holiness, but struggled with doubts about the Holy Eucharist. He agonized over whether, at the words of consecration, the bread and wine became really the true Body and Blood of Jesus.

During this time, he was celebrating Mass at the tomb of St. Christina and as soon as he said the words of consecration – “This is my Body” – the host in his hands began to bleed down his arms and onto the altar cloth below. He was awestruck and began to cry. Pope Urban IV was in the nearby town of Orvieto and he went to him. After investigating, the Pope declared a miracle and had the corporal brought to the cathedral in Orvieto. You can still go and see that blood-stained corporal in Orvieto’s Cathedral – almost 800 years later. One year after this miracle, the Pope extended the Solemnity to the universal church.

So, how can we renew our own fervor for Jesus in the Eucharist today and come to understand its value in our lives? We begin by remembering a few things. First, the Eucharist is nourishment for us. Jesus gives us food for our souls. In John’s Gospel Jesus says, “If you do not eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you.” By receiving regularly and with fervor, we thrive spiritually on the body and blood of Christ. Second, through the Eucharist Jesus unites us with Himself. This union began in our Baptism, was strengthened in Confirmation, but reaches its peak in Holy Communion; a peak we return to every time we receive Holy Communion. Third, in the Eucharist Jesus makes us one with each other. The Eucharist embraces the whole community. It is not just my personal communion with Christ; it is our shared communion with each other in Christ. As St. Paul said, “As there is one bread, so we, although there are many of us, are one single body, for we all share in the one bread.” Finally, the Eucharist gives us assurance of our Heavenly destiny. Jesus said, “Anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise them on the last day.”

-Rev. Michael MaInnis, SJ, St. John Seminary—Boston

**Anointing of the Sick**



Anointing of the Sick will take place after all the Masses this weekend, Saturday, June 6th and Sunday, June 7th.



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic Pilgrimage**

**Join Archbishop Henning for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage!**

**June 26-28, 2026**

In honor of our nation’s 250th anniversary, the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage will pass through the Archdiocese of Boston from June 26th through June 28th with special events in Lexington, Plymouth, and along the Freedom Trail. This pilgrimage is an invitation to realign our lives, communities, and country under the sovereignty of Christ, to be one nation under God. Learn more at [bit.ly/NEPBoston](http://bit.ly/NEPBoston).

**MATTHEW'S CREW 6TH ANNUAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

**\$100 PER TEAM PRIZES RAFFLES**

**LIVE MUSIC WITH RED 7**

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**JUNE 13, 2026**

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