

# PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

*Dorchester—Mattapan—Milton*

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## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.” Luke 13:24



**PASTOR:** Fr. Jack Ahern

**IN 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 - Friday 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.

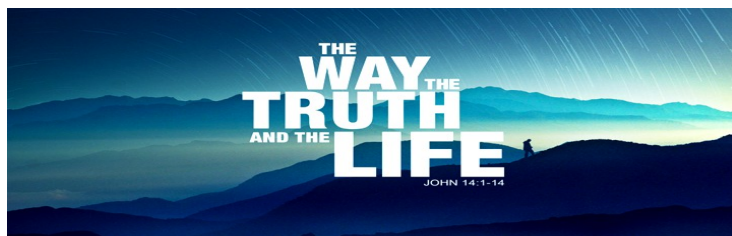
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** Classes begin in October each year. Please contact the rectory for more information.

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

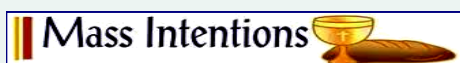
**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Monday morning.

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





**Entrance Hymn: BB# 626 This Day God Gives Me**  
**Closing Hymn: BB# 533 From All that Dwells Below the Skies**



### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 23**

4:00 PM John M. Falvey (21st Anniversary)

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**

7:00 AM Edward W., Margaret M. and Mary M. Holmes (Memorial)  
 10:00 AM Genia Saniuk Heinig (4th Anniversary)  
 5:00 PM Francis McGrail & Sr. Joan Desmond (Mem.)

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 25**

6:45 AM Christina (Memorial) and Ellen Roche (1st Anniversary)

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 26**

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

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27**

6:45 AM John Woloschuk (Birthday Memorial)

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 29**

6:45 AM Joachim Phu Tran (Anniversary)

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 30**

4:00 PM Al Gaston, Joseph H. Coyle, Mary C. Coyle and Joseph M. Coyle (Memorial) and Diane McKenzie (2nd Anniversary)

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 31**

7:00 AM Virgilio Goncalves, Isabel Senedo, Mateus Senedo & Margarida Cabral (Memorial)  
 10:00 AM Beatrice Crosslin (5th Anniversary)  
 5:00 PM Boyle Family (L) Special Intention

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

Please pray for Jack Conroy, William Saunders, 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 for Bill Casey, and all the sick and suffering.

#### **Pope Leo's Intention for August**

That societies avoid internal conflicts due to ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons and seek paths of dialogue and respond to conflict with gestures of fraternity.

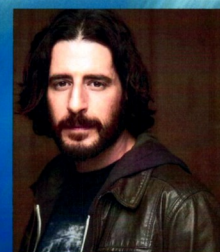
### **OFFERTORY REPORT**

**Offertory for 8/17/25: \$7,121.00**

(includes online and mailed in giving)

To give online go to [stgregoryparish.com](http://stgregoryparish.com) and click the green button "Give". For help, call Julie in the rectory.

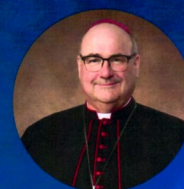
## **HOPE FOR LIFE Conference** **October 4, 2025** The Track at New Balance 91 Guest St. Boston, MA 02135



Jonathan Roumie



Vigil Project



Mass Celebrated by Archbishop Richard Henning



Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart



Montse Alvarado

**Special guest speakers Jonathan Roumie & Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart**

Music provided by The Vigil Project and special moderated panel discussions on the sanctity and the dignity of life

[hopeforlifeboston.com](http://hopeforlifeboston.com)

**Adults \$50 | College Students \$25 | Lunch provided on-site**

for high school and CCD groups, contact: [hopeforlifeboston@gmail.com](mailto:hopeforlifeboston@gmail.com)



Mark Carey



Lisa Wheeler



Mia Armstrong



Michelle & Asis Lopez



AJ De La Rosa



Julianne Carey



Sara Loy

The Archdiocese of Boston's Pro-Life Office, in collaboration with the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth and the Men of Divine Mercy Prayer Group, are excited to invite you to this special conference as we honor the sanctity and the beauty of life from the womb to the tomb and embrace the virtue of hope in all circumstances of every age and stage of life.



### **For All Young Families**

**Jesus said,  
 "Let the children come to me"  
 MT 19:14**

We are encouraged to see so many children at Mass each week! To help support our young families we will be offering a weekly mini-series in the bulletin of helpful tips and strategies to make the most of Mass time with young children. Beginning next week we will also introduce a Children's Mass Time Lending Library located in the back of the Church. Please take a minute to check this out, read the information provided and enjoy some of these beautiful books and activities with your children to help them (and you) get the most out of your time at Mass as a family.



**Feast of St. Monica—August 27th**  
**Feast of St. Augustine—August 28th**

On the day of his election, Pope Leo XIV wore a pectoral cross containing relics of saints linked to the Augustinian order: those of Saint Augustine and the saint's mother, Saint Monica.

The fragment of Saint Augustine's bone is a reminder of the Order of Saint Augustine, established by the Apostolic See in 1244. Over the centuries, the Order has followed his ideal of community life, apostolic service, spirituality, and study. The relic of Saint Monica highlights the deep and enduring bond between Augustine and his mother. Hers was a life marked by strength and perseverance, and through her tears and tireless prayers, she helped bring about her son's conversion. Augustine praised her virtues in his *Confessions*, seeing them as gifts from God.

Pope Francis had a particular devotion to Saint Monica, and as both cardinal and Pope, he would often visit her tomb in the Basilica of Saint Augustine in Rome's Campo Marzio. For the Augustinian Order, Monica's life and her son's path to conversion and consecration are deeply intertwined - cornerstones of Augustinian spirituality.

*(The Vatican News)*

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

Thanks to all who have donated cards to help those in need. New people come to our door each week for assistance. You may donate grocery store food cards, or by writing a check and in the notation, write "Food Card" and we will purchase cards for you to distribute to those in need. Thank you for your continued generosity to those in need. All donations are welcome and appreciated more than you know!



### **SMA Fathers Second Collection**

#### **This Weekend**

It was a delight to have Fr. Emmanuel Zinsu for the months of July and August.

Today's second collection goes to support the SMA Father's Ministry and Mission. Please be generous in your support of these wonderful priests. Please make your **check payable to St. Gregory Parish** and we will send one check to the SMA Fathers. Envelopes are available at the doors of the church for your gift. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



If you have a child entering the second grade or third grade this September and wish them to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist in May, or if you have a child in the eighth or ninth grade and wish them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in March, please reach out to Julie Hayes in the Office 617-298-2460 or contact us through our website: [www.stgregoryparish.com](http://www.stgregoryparish.com)

### **M.A.M.L.E.O.**

**Massachusetts Association for Minority  
 Law Enforcement Officers**

**Back to School**

**BBQ Backpack &  
 School Supply Event**

**Wednesday, August 27th**

**3:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m.**

**Dorchester Park**

**1007 Dorchester Avenue**

**(Baseball Fields on Adams Street Side)**

**This is open to everyone!**

*What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.*

*-St. Augustine*