

PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

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SEPTEMBER 11TH

Today, we remember all those who lost their lives in the 2001 attacks. We pray for the victims and their families.

PASTOR: Fr. Jack Ahern

RESIDENCE: Fr. Brian F. McMahon
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BUSINESS MANAGER: Julie A. Hayes

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Leo D. Abbott, FAGO, ChM

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

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday morning.

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

Come, let us sing joyfully to the
LORD; let us acclaim the rock of
our salvation.

—PS 95: 1-2

Entrance Hymn: BB# 217 Praise God from Whom All
Blessings Flow

Closing Hymn: BB# 558 For the Beauty of the Earth



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

4:00 PM Thomas "Whitey" and Mary O'Hara (Mem)
and Mary Kelly (Memorial)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:00 AM Armando and Florence Dizio (Memorial)
10:00 AM Adude Almeida (1st Anniversary) and
Prosper Akpabie (Memorial)
5:00 PM Marie Sebastian (Memorial)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

6:45 AM Carolyn R. Eldridge (Anniversary)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:45 AM Victims & Families of 911 Attack (25th Anniv)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

4:00 PM Mark Monday (10th Anniversary)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:00 AM Idyrene & Daniel Phillip (Memorial)
10:00 AM Andy & Nellie Miskell (Memorial)
5:00 PM Fred Karpowich (Memorial)

Please keep in your prayers

Please pray for Veronica Obidi, 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 September

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Supermarket Gift Cards are Always Needed

All donations are welcome and appreciated more than you know.

OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory 8/30/26: \$5,456.00 SMA Fathers: \$7,818.00
(includes online donations)

To give online go to stgregoryparish.com click the green button "Give". For help, call Julie in the rectory.



Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults is the communal process through which non-baptized men and women become members of the Catholic Church. It is also suitable for those baptized in different faith traditions who are interested in becoming Catholic, or, for those who were baptized Catholic, but have yet to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and confirmation. If you are interested in having a conversation about this process, feel free to contact Fr. Jack at bowdoin9043@gmail.com or by calling him at the rectory.



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***. Fall dates are Saturday, September 19th and Saturday, October 24th and Saturday, November 14th. Locations are confidential. For more information on the retreats or other services, please contact the office at *ProjectRachel*:508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

September is National Suicide Prevention Month

Are you in a crisis? Call or text **988** or
text TALK to 741741

Help is available. Speak with someone today!



New England Patriots Stand Out Educator Award

Chenelle Barros
K2 Lead Teacher SJP2 Lower Mills

Recently one of our teachers was recognized by the New England Patriots as a Stand Out Educator. Chenelle brings more than 25 years of Early Childhood teaching experience into our classroom at Lower Mills. She utilizes all curriculum components, manipulatives and learning tools creating high-quality center-based learning and small group instructional materials and lessons. Her students consistently perform above age-level standards, modeling high level independents and critical thinking skills and social emotional awareness. Daily scripture and Bible passages are woven into their day; each student knows that they are loved and carry unique gifts from God. Students rise to high expectations in Ms. Chenelle's classroom. Her classroom is a warm and nurturing environment where each student is valued for the strengths that they bring to the classroom learning community. Every day, her students learn new ways to see greatness in themselves. Classroom lessons are intentional and thoughtful, helping students build a shared understanding of each other's backgrounds. Chenelle is a teacher mentor and teacher leader at Lower Mills, sharing best practices with colleagues as a thought partner. **Congratulations, Ms. Chenelle!**

United States Consecrated to Sacred Heart of Jesus

As you may notice an Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was placed beneath the statue of the Sacred Heart in the left side altar. This summer the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops consecrated the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This historic act of national entrustment coincided with our nation's 250th anniversary.

Rooted in the historical devotion to the Sacred Heart and emphasized by Pope Francis in his encyclical *Dilexit Nos* (*He Loved Us*), the bishops undertook this consecration to seek Christ's healing for a divided nation, make reparation for past offenses, and foster a greater charity toward the poor and vulnerable.



Anointing of the Sick will be offered after all Masses this weekend, **Saturday, September 5th and Sunday, September 6th.**



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 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 email: stgregoryparish@gmail.com



LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Please search in your heart to become a Lector and/or a Eucharistic Minister. Take advantage of this wonderful privilege to serve the Lord. All of us are equally worthy in His presence! All Mass times have a need. Young adults and High School students are welcome! If interested, please call the rectory at 617-298-2460 or contact us through the website: www.stgregoryparish.com

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast Day—September 8th

We can see every human birth as a call for new hope in the world. The love of two human beings has joined with God in his creative work. The loving parents have shown hope in a world filled with travail. The new child has the potential to be a channel of God's love and peace to the world.

This is all true in a magnificent way in Mary. If Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. If Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is its dawning.

Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large.

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