

PARISH OF SAINT GREGORY

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I n the same way,

everyone of you who

does not renounce all

his possessions cannot

be my disciple.

Luke 14:33

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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

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday morning.

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



Entrance Hymn: BB# 711 How Firm a Foundation

Closing Hymn: BB# 525 For the Beauty of the Earth



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Thomas F. "Whitey" O'Hara (1st Anniv)
and Mary O. & Mary Kelly (Memorial)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7:00 AM Rose Niederberger (5th Anniversary)

10:00 AM Marie Sebastian (Memorial)

5:00 PM Mary Rose Toner (1st Anniversary)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6:45 AM Joanne Lobaccaro (Memorial)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

6:45 AM Emily & Bill Drummy (Memorial)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

6:45 AM Carolyn R. Eldridge (Anniversary)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

6:45 AM Linda Pelley (Anniversary/Gratitude)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

6:45 AM Fred Karpowich (Memorial)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Nancie O'Meara (1st Anniversary)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

7:00 AM Helen & Henry Lunny (Memorial)

10:00 AM Bridget Williams (10th Anniversary)

5:00 PM Paul Lewis (Memorial)

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 for Bill Casey, and all the sick and suffering.

Pope Leo's Intention for September

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



The Catholic Appeal

St. Gregory Parish is now at 84% of our goal. Our heartfelt thanks to all who have helped make our campaign a success so far. If you have not had the opportunity to support the Appeal yet, I invite you to make your gift today to help us reach our goal. Pick up an envelope at the back of the church or make an on-line donation at www.bostoncatholicappeal.org.



Cursillo

CURSILLO - An Opportunity to

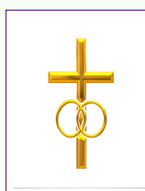
Deepen Your Faith

is a short course in Christianity for men and women. It is an encounter with Christ in a small community of the Church, in order to deepen your own faith and strengthen your ability to be witnesses of Christ in the world.

Upcoming Weekend:

Women's Weekend: October 2-5, 2025

The weekends run from Thursday evening thru Sunday afternoon and are held at the Notre Dame Spirituality Center in Ipswich, MA. For information and registration, please check the Boston Cursillo website: www.bostoncursillo.org or email bostoncursillo@gmail.com.



Wedding Anniversary Celebration

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries or another special milestone are invited to a celebratory Mass on Sunday, Oct. 26th at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston. Couples will renew their marriage commitment and receive a special blessing. Family and friends are invited to attend. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/WeddingAnniversaryMass2025>. For more information, please email Emily Elliott at marriageprep@rcab.org or call 617-746-5756.



Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day Masses

In response to Pope Francis' call to console the sorrowing on September 15th, we will celebrate Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day Masses all over the Archdiocese for the intention of "those who need consoling." For an updated list of Mass locations, see bit.ly/OLSorrowsMass. This event is hosted by the Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents.



For All Young Families

Parent Tips Week Two Mass Parts II

Tip of the week:

Read Scripture with your child!

Last week we spoke of how it can be helpful to engage your child in Mass if they have an increased concept of what is happening during the Mass. The first two parts of the Mass are the Introductory Rites (greeting and preparation) and the Liturgy of the Word (First Reading, Responsorial Psalm, Second Reading, Gospel, Homily and Creed). It may be helpful for children to think of this time as the "Story Time" of Mass. As all these "stories" are from Scripture, they become more relevant to our children as they become more familiar with them. Just like a favorite bedtime story, when children hear a story with characters they know, they may attend a little more. As we listen to the readings quietly ask your children if they hear particular peoples' names. Ask them engaging questions, "Who was in today's story?" "Did you hear Jesus' name?" You can preview the readings yourself either at home or quickly prior to Mass to give your child a heads-up. "Today we are going to hear a story about Isaiah!" Asking these types of questions may entice your child to listen more actively in the scriptures as they are read to us each week.



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 27th and Saturday, October 18th. 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

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. Thank you for your continued generosity to those in need. All donations are welcome and appreciated more than you know!

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline—If you or a loved one is experiencing a mental health crisis, **dial 988** for free and confidential support by a trained mental health professional. Open 24/7.

Anointing of the Sick

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



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

A Prayer in Memory of 9-11-2001

By Carrie Steenwyk

Lord Jesus, we pray for your peace as we remember the terrorist attacks of 9/11. May our suffering from these attacks awaken in us an awareness of the pain and fear that so many around the world live with each day. May we know how to pray for those who struggle against oppression and injustice. As we hear of terrorist activity around the world, quiet our fears. Heal the wounded of these attacks, and help their families and friends rest in your security.

Guide the choices of our world leaders. Give them wisdom and discernment not only as they work to resolve the lasting effects of the 9/11 attacks but also as they try to alleviate terror of all sorts—from genocide to hunger, from drought to bombings. May their actions bring your peace to all the people of the world.

Gracious God, our world changed with the 9/11 attacks. We have seen how easily buildings can fall and how quickly lives can end. As we remember 9/11, may it remind us that you are our only true security. Give us your strength to face the memory of this attack and the changes it made in our lives. Give us your compassion to help each other and recognize need around the world. Give us your hope as we face an uncertain future. Give us your peace.

Amen.