

SAINT GREGORY PARISH

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WELCOME, WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE! We extend a warm welcome to all guests and parishioners. We are delighted that you have come to worship with us, and we very much hope that you feel at home here! Newcomers are encouraged to register as members of the Parish. Registration forms are available in the entryways of the Church and in the Parish Office and can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to the Parish Office.



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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM

DAILY MASSES: Monday - Friday: 6:45 AM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Second Sunday of every month at 11:00 AM, in the upper Church. Please call rectory in advance to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturday: Noon—1:00 pm on Saturdays 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 pm.

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

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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday morning.

Please turn off cell phones and pagers upon entering the church.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is
the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**

4:00 PM Marie Recchia (Memorial)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

7:00 AM Parishioners of St. Gregory Parish

10:00 AM Meghan & Harry

5:00 PM Adeline & Neil Nelson (Memorial)

MONDAY, AUGUST 16

6:45 AM Bob and Jean Golka (Memorial)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

6:45 AM Vincent Tran Kim Oanh & Ann Huong(Mem)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

6:45 AM Parishioners of St. Gregory Parish

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

4:00 PM The Hehir Family (Memorial)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

7:00 AM

10:00 AM Laura Prete (Memorial)

5:00 PM John Falvey (17th Anniversary)

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August

Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

**Please keep in your prayers**

Please pray for Mary C. Burke and all those who have died recently, that they may rest in God's peace. Please also remember their families and friends that they might know the gift of God's loving consolation.

Offertory Collection—Sunday, August 8, 2021**\$4,574.00 (includes online and mailed in giving).**

To give online go to stgregoryparish.com and click on the green button "Get Started". For help, call Julie at the rectory.

"Project Rachel led me to a place of forgiveness and mercy. During the retreat, I realized the lasting impact of forgiveness."

I knew God had forgiven me, and now I needed to forgive myself."— A Project Rachel retreat participant.

The Project Rachel ministry of the Archdiocese of Boston extends a special invitation to women suffering from the pain of a past abortion to attend a "Come to the Waters of Healing" one-day retreat. Fall dates are September 25, October 16 and November 20 from 9 AM to 5 PM. Locations are confidential. Limited to ten participants per retreat. For more information, contact Project Rachel at 508.651.3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com.

Boston and South Shore Men's Prayer Group**Next Meeting: Saturday, August 21****7:00 AM—8:30 AM****Remote meeting by Zoom-Travels with St. Paul—Part 2**

Hang on as Stephen Ray takes us on the road with St. Paul through Israel, Syria, Turkey, Greece and Italy. Fall from a horse in the desert, dangle over the Damascus Wall in a basket, cling to driftwood in the sea and stride along Roman roads—all scenes from St. Paul's life.

The Zoom link will be sent by email a few days before the meeting, If you want to be added to the distribution list, email me, Phil Plageman: jamet@comcast.net

Remember our Homebound

If you or someone you know cannot make it to Mass due to recovery from surgery, an illness or can simply no longer attend Mass Please let us know. Call Julie in the parish office, 617-298-2460 and we will make arrangements to have communion brought to you. Please make the call, we are here for you.

SCAN ME

Readings To-Go!

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Scan QR code to see this week's readings!

**The Solemnity of the Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
August 15th**

What is the Assumption?

The first name of this solemnity was the Feast of Mary Mother of God. Later, its name in the East carried over the Dormition (or Falling Asleep) of Mary. In the West, it became known as the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This solemnity celebrates the fact that Mary's Assumption is "a pledge of the future participation of the members of the mystical Body of Christ in the paschal glory of the Risen Christ." It shows that the Lord "reserves a magnificent reward for his humble Servant because of her faithful cooperation with the divine plan, which is a destiny of fullness, happiness, glorification of her Immaculate soul, her virginal body, perfect configuration to her Risen Son". The Mass has a proper vigil, and the solemnity replaces the Mass of the day when it occurs on a Sunday in Ordinary Time.

What does this all mean?

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII Declared the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which the Church celebrates every year on August 15. Simply put, the dogma of the Assumption states that at the end of her life, the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken, body and soul into Heaven.

The Solemnity of the Assumption reminds us of the unique role that Mary served in the process of our salvation. Although she was without sin, we have the possibility of receiving God's forgiveness for our sins through Christ. Her entry into Heaven prefigures our own hope of experiencing the same eternal life.

"So your strength is failing you?

Why don't you tell your mother about it?...Mother!

**Call her with a loud voice. She is listening to you;
she sees you in danger, perhaps, and she--your holy
mother Mary--offers you, along with the grace
of her son, the refuge of her arms,
the tenderness of her embrace...and you will find
yourself with added strength for the new battle."**

- Saint Josemaria Escriva



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 ninth or tenth grade and wish them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in February, please reach out to Julie Hayes in the Office 617-298-2460 or stgregoryparish@gmail.com

"Without the Lord's Day, we cannot live!"

With most Covid-restrictions lifted and people able to come and go more freely Cardinal Sean is lifting the dispensation from the obligation of coming to Church to celebrate the Mass. It has been a joy to see so many of you returning to Church for the celebration of the Eucharist. Welcome back. We missed you. You are the best! Thanks for coming home!

But please remember that if you are feeling ill or continue to have concerns for your personal safety, especially as Covid-19 numbers are inching up again, you should remain at home. God understands! If you have any questions, feel free to call Fr. Jack



In a new essay for Our Sunday Visitor, Catholic author and speaker Meg Hunter-Kilmer writes that the Tokyo Olympics have been full of joyful moments at a time when the world sorely needed them.

She writes: "This is why I love the Olympics: It reminds me to rejoice. It reminds me that joy is a choice. It fills me with wonder at creation, at the human family, at my own capacity to exult in somebody else's triumph. Joy isn't always delight. Joy is far more akin to hope than to happiness — the conviction that God is for you regardless of your circumstances. It's a discipline, a choice to fix our eyes on Jesus who is working even when we can't see it.