



## ST. GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH

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SUNDAY, JUNE 20, 2021

## 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"  
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,  
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

Excerpt from The Last Supper for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD

### COVID UPDATES

#### AS OF PRINT DATE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

Per the Diocese of Buffalo, face coverings are optional to enter and exit Church. You may take your face covering off while seated. Your face covering is optional as you process to Communion. **Face covering is still required if you choose to sing.** Please maintain reasonable separation from those not in your household.

All youth, 18 or younger, are required to wear a face covering and should maintain three feet of physical distance from one another, while adults should remain 6 feet from children.

Face coverings are optional when entering the Café or the Catholic Store.

**Participation at in-person Masses and other parish events *should not* be contingent on vaccination status, nor should individuals be questioned regarding their vaccination status or asked to produce a vaccination card.**

#### THE CAFÉ AND CATHOLIC STORE UPDATE

There are **NO** evening hours at Store or Café (Pizza night) for the months of July and August.

Both will be closed July 3 and July 4 to observe the Fourth of July Holiday.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAYS:** (Monday-Friday) 7:00, 8:00 and 12:00 noon; (Saturday) 8:00 am only.

**SATURDAY:** 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm

**SUNDAY:** 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am; 12:30 and 4:30 pm

**HOLY DAYS:** As listed in the Bulletin.

**For those who are unable to join us, daily Masses can be viewed on our website via livestream, weekend Masses via YouTube and livestream.**

**CATHOLIC STORE HOURS (276-6920):** Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 am-2:00 pm; Wednesday, 5:30-7:30 pm; Saturday 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am-2:00 pm. *Closed Monday.*

**CAFÉ HOURS (276-6915):** Tuesday-Friday, 7:30 am-2:00 pm; Wednesday 5:30 -7:30; Saturday 8:30 am-12:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am-2:00 pm. *Closed Monday.*

**ADORATION CHAPEL:** The chapel is open 24 hours.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:45 pm in the Church.

# Happy Father's Day

My Dear Parish Family,

As we celebrate Father's Day this weekend, I would like to extend our prayers and best wishes to all Fathers, Grandfathers and Godfathers! My brothers, may our Lord watch over and bless you in your awesome role of leading your family and all those entrusted to your care. Today more than ever we need you, brothers, to be men who spiritually lead your family in the path of Truth. More than ever we need a clear message of love to our young people and within that message of love, a clear understanding of the Gospel and the Truth of Jesus Christ to be the foundation for your family life and to instill in your children. May God bless you and St. Joseph, the model for all fathers, watch over you and intercede for you, always. Happy Father's Day!

I would like to thank Father Tom Maloney for preaching at all the Masses last weekend about Stewardship of Talent. As we reflect on our call of stewardship we know there are three areas of reflection: stewardship of **time, talent and treasure.**

Everything begins with the stewardship of time, meaning the time that we dedicate to our prayer life and being in communion with God. This of course includes our time spent celebrating the sacraments, especially the Mass, as well as our personal and daily reflection, Scripture reading, praying the Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration and more. Once we have given our time, and our heart, over to God, then we will naturally discover our talents and be more willing to give our "yes" to serving the Church in the name of Christ. The stewardship of talent calls us to awareness of our talents and interests and allows us to use them to serve the needs of others, especially to minister or serve our parish of St. Gregory the Great and to serve the needs of others beyond our parish community in the name of our parish. Hopefully by now you received my letter which I sent to follow up on what Father Tom spoke of last weekend, and I invite you to use the reply card to choose at least one of the ministries to become involved in a greater way at St. Greg's.

Please allow me to share a story with you. I shared this story at Sunday Mass last weekend but it bears repeating for our entire parish family. A few years ago when we were remodeling the church, you will recall that our church building was closed, and we celebrated all Masses and sacraments in the parish Ministry Center. That began in January 2018, and we reopened the Church a few days before Palm Sunday, 2019.

When Lent began that year, I noticed a new face among the daily Mass attendees at the 12 noon Mass. The new face was a younger man, around thirty years of age. He would arrive about fifteen minutes early and would kneel on the hard gym floor. He would also do so in prayer after he received Communion. After a couple weeks of seeing him at daily Mass, one day I followed him outside as he left and called out to him. As he will tell the story, he thought he was in trouble when the priest was calling out for him to wait a moment. I guess it was a moment like the old days when if we were called to the office in school, we immediately assumed we were in trouble for something.

That moment began a wonderful relationship with a parishioner, and now friend. Although this person was raised at St. Greg's and attended weekend Mass here, under the **stewardship of time**, he decided that Lent to begin coming to daily Mass. This practice is also one that his father has had for years. As a side note, this is a wonderful Father's Day story as well; a Father, by example teaching his son to pray and celebrate the Eucharist daily. From that **stewardship of time**, this parishioner continues the practice of daily Mass, and to this day has become part of a group of men in the parish who meet with me monthly to share our Faith, our spiritual highs and lows, and to pray with and for one another daily. The Eucharist and prayer became a part of who he is as a Disciple of Christ.

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# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

- SUN 6/20** Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 [1b]/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
- MON 6/21** Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22 [12]/Mt 7:1-5
- TUES 6/22** Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1b]/Mt 7:6, 12-14
- WED 6/23** Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 7:15-20
- THR 6/24** *Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17  
*Day:* Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- FRI 6/25** Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [4]/Mt 8:1-4
- SAT 6/26** Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55 [cf. 54b]/Mt 8:5-17
- SUN 6/27** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 20, 2021

- Sunday: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Refugee Day; Father's Day
- Monday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
- Tuesday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs
- Thursday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- Saturday: BVM
- Next Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Do we trust that God will take care of us and has things under control? When life gets difficult, shaky or painful, we may find ourselves wondering what we may have done to deserve this fate. Often, we go to great lengths to explain suffering away, as if it has no purpose and ought not to exist. In an attempt to get God on our side in our battle against suffering, our prayer can mirror a question asked by the disciples: do you not care that we are perishing? As we are asking that question of God, God is asking of us: do you not yet have faith? It is for certain that God does not intentionally inflict pain upon us. God has no sinister plot to test our faith or trip us up. Rather, the unconditional, restorative and rejuvenating power of God's love can bring light out of the greatest darkness and gives hope in the midst of deep despair. We have to be patient and ride out the storm. It is our task to deepen our faith that God will calm the wind and draw meaning out of that which seems senseless.



*(Pastor's message continued. . . )*

I firmly believe that because of his transformation in celebrating the Eucharist daily and his daily prayer, he has become a member of our parish Finance Council using his **stewardship of talent** to serve the parish, giving freely of his knowledge and wisdom in business affairs. Beyond his commitment to the Finance Council, he responded “yes” when I asked him to become involved with our teenagers in Youth Ministry. He assists me with our “Rodzinka” group which is an apologetics and prayer group for the high school guys. A similar group also exists for the high school girls. That **stewardship of talent**, a talent that I do not think he knew he possessed (working with teens), led him to become a leader in our “Amped” ministry for young adults ages 18 to 30 (or so). Since he gave his time to our Amped Young Adult group earlier this year, he began a men’s prayer group for the young adult men (a similar group exists for our young adult women as well). Finally, just about a half of a year into the men’s prayer group, the group has grown so much that he is now talking about the need to have two men’s prayer groups because of the number of our young adult men who are interested in being able to share their faith and share their lives as men with other men to derive some strength and support. You may think, “This guy must have nothing else to do” – right? He has done all of this while building a successful career in the finance/investment field, planning and celebrating his wedding and marriage which took place at St. Greg’s just about a month ago and working personally on remodeling his home. This is the **Stewardship of Prayer and Time** coming together. Can you imagine where St. Greg’s would be if each of us chose one ministry from our 83 parish ministries to serve? We are “great” as we are, but God has **Greater** things in store for us – all each one of us needs to do is to say “yes” to stewardship.

I highlighted one person’s story and I know of dozens upon dozens more of similar stories right here at St. Greg’s. I invite you to become part of the story of stewardship at St. Greg’s too!

May God bless you, our Mother Mary watch over you and St. Joseph and St. Gregory the Great intercede for you, always!



### **GOD'S SON. . . MY SON**

Please join us on Wednesday, June 30, in the Church at 7:00 pm as we welcome a member of the Holy Family. You will hear the life story of Saint Joseph through a live theatrical one-man presentation entitled “God’s Son...My Son”. Accompany St. Joseph as he fulfills his call to be a human father to Jesus. From a turbulent and exciting beginning with Jesus and Mary, to living a simple hidden life later, hear how he strived to protect his family and how he raised Jesus, the son of God. See how this quiet man and silent saint put his trust in God’s plan for him and lived a life of obedience and action. Witness how he participated in God’s work and trusted in God by faithfully carrying out God’s mission for him. Listen to the Patron Saint of Workers as he shares words of wisdom and insights into the purpose of work and its path to holiness. This presentation is free and open to all ages. Come and see Saint Joseph share his story!

Running June 1-August 19

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**TNT - The New Thing**

June  
3, 10, 17, 24      Thursdays 7pm

**Mass, Lunch, & Games**

July      August  
6, 13, 20, 27      3, 10, 17      Tuesdays 12pm

**HS Summer Nights**

July      August  
1, 8, 15, 22, 29      5, 12, 19      Thursdays 7pm

**CROSS MY HEART. . .**

**Q:** I saw an interview with our new Bishop, Michael Fisher, and noticed he had a chain around his neck and across his chest. What is it?

**A:** The chain is attached to a pectoral cross, worn by the pope, cardinals, and bishops, that rests in his shirt pocket over his heart. It is made of precious metal, it may contain a relic of a saint or a particle of the Holy Cross. It is worn over the alb (inner garment) during liturgical functions. The Bishop will kiss the cross before putting it around his neck, and while putting it on will offer the prayer "Munire me digneris" (Grant to Me) in which he petitions God for protection against his enemies, to always be mindful of Jesus' Passion and the examples of the martyrs.

[ "Great occasions for serving God  
 come seldom, but little ones  
 surround us daily."  
 ~ St. Francis de Sales ]

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT  
ST. GREG'S PARISH**

**Part-time or Full-time Maintenance Assistant**

This position is vital to maintain the overall functionality of the buildings on the Parish Campus and to assist the Maintenance staff in other duties ranging from set-up/breakdown of furniture for events and maintenance tasks.

Responsible for any setup/cleanup duties pertaining to any events scheduled to take place on the Parish Campus and assist with maintenance duties.

Examples of daily tasks include but are not limited to:

- Minor repairs pertaining to electrical and plumbing.
- Unlock/lock all doors before/after events and programs.
- Set-up and clean-up from events and programs.
- Clean all fixtures in restrooms; replace and refill products in bathrooms and common areas.
- Sweep and mop non-carpeted floors, vacuum all carpeted flooring and empty/remove trash/recycling to the appropriate dumpsters.
- Secure and store all cleaning supplies and equipment after completion of daily tasks; Ensure all cleaning equipment is in a safe, secure location and it is in working order.

If you are interested, please send your resume and cover letter to: [employment@stgregs.org](mailto:employment@stgregs.org)

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Did you know Catholic Charities offers marriage counseling to Western New York couples and has for more than 50 years? Our professional staff at the **Catholic Charities Marriage Counseling Center** specializes in relationship counseling and provides a welcoming and comfortable environment for couples who are working on difficult problems. To schedule an appointment, call 716-681-7394 Monday-Friday between 8:45 am-4:45 pm. For more information on Catholic Charities and other services we provide, visit [www.cwny.org](http://www.cwny.org). **Appeal 2021** is ongoing through June 30. To make a secure online donation, visit [www.cwny.org/donation](http://www.cwny.org/donation). **HOPE for all seasons.**

**2021 Appeal Goal:** \$570,220.00  
**2021 Total:** \$558,091.40  
**2021 Difference:** -\$12,128.60



## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



- **FFF Hours:** Mon-Fri from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.
- **REGISTRATION INFORMATION FOR FFF 2021-2022**

Class size will be limited. For more details, go to our website <https://www.stgregs.org/program-options2020/>

- **WEEKLY PROGRAM** September - April
  - **Gr K - 8:** Saturday (9:00 am -10:00 am)
  - **Gr K - 4:** Monday (4:45 pm - 5:45 pm)
  - **Gr 5 -10:** Monday (7:00 pm - 8:00 pm)**Online Registration:** June 1 - July 30
- **MONTHLY PROGRAM** September - April aka **Generations of Faith (GOF)** for Grades K- 10. Once-a- month in-person and three-weeks-a-month at-home sessions. Babysitting is not available. **Registration is open but will close for each session at 50 families. Some may have closed prior to the publication of this Bulletin.**
  - **GOF A:** Sunday 10:45am - 11:45am
  - **GOF B:** Sunday 12:15pm - 1:15 pm
  - **GOF C:** Thursday 6:30pm - 7:30 pm

### Confirmation 2021

We are truly proud of the 97 young men and women who were Confirmed on May 19 and 20. Some last insights from our Confirmandi:

*"The Holy Spirit can call us to action through those around us, as well as through us when we are praying and through the small things that happen to us every day."*

*"One of the greatest ways the Holy Spirit is real and alive is in the power of the forgiveness of sins."*

*"The Holy Spirit can call us to action by leading us to those in need."*

*"The Holy Spirit can help us have moments where we find courage to act like God. When I am getting angry or feel like lashing out, I can call upon the Holy Spirit to help me act humbly."*

**Last Day to Register Online for Vacation Bible School is Friday, June 25!**

Non-refundable Fee for VBS is \$35 per child. Class sizes will be limited.

<https://stgregs.weshareonline.org/VacationBibleSchool2021>

## CATECHIST'S CORNER

*The role of a Catechist is to teach our Faith by word and example.*

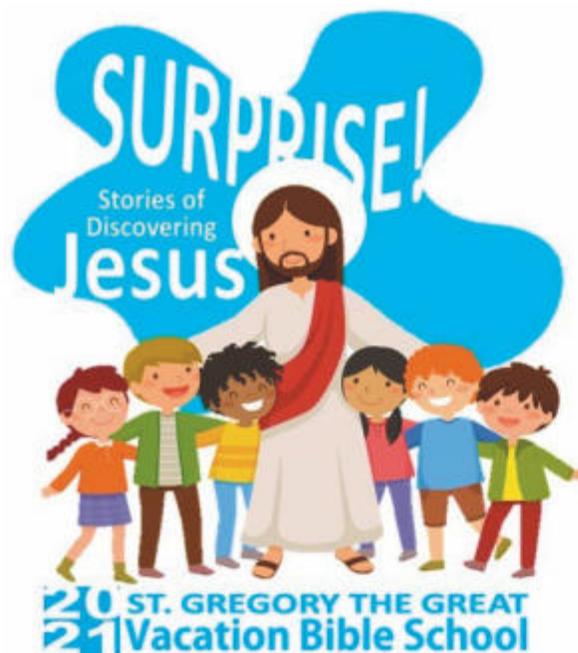
**FFF CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR!**

**Our programs run from September - April.** Lesson plans and all materials needed to teach are provided. If you're not sure, try volunteering as a substitute-you'll find the time so rewarding!

**We need catechists for the following:**

- **FFF Weekly Programs**
  - **Gr K - 8:** Saturday (9:00 am -10:00 am)
  - **Gr K - 4:** Monday (4:45 pm - 5:45 pm)
  - **Gr 5 - 8:** Monday (7:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
  - **Lev I/Gr 9 and Lev II/Gr10:** Monday (7:00 pm - 8:00 pm)
- **Monthly FFF Program (aka Generations of Faith)** meet once a month.
  - **GOF A:** Sunday (10:45 am - 11:45 am)
  - **GOF B:** Sunday (12:15 pm - 1:15 pm)
  - **GOF C:** Thursday (6:30 pm - 7:30 pm)

If you feel that this is what God is calling you to do, or you just want more information, please contact Joan Rischmiller at the Family Faith Formation Office at 688-5760 or [jrischmiller@stgregs.org](mailto:jrischmiller@stgregs.org)



**VBS** is for children entering Kindergarten - Gr 5 in September. **Dates:** July 12 - 16 from 9:30 am - 11:30 am  
This year's theme is **Surprise! Stories of Discovering Jesus.**

# MINISTRY UPDATES

## AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS SERVICE PROJECT

The American Heritage Girls took advantage of the beautiful weather this weekend to do a service project at the Urban Farm in Buffalo. Our girls weeded around onions, moved stones and tarps, and were treated to some freshly grown strawberries. It was a wonderful day of friendship and Christian service.



## MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT



The theme was "Mercy Reigns" where we tackled the Church's teaching of Divine Mercy. We explored how we have a merciful and loving God who is always chasing after us. We thought about how God has an abundance of love to offer to us and all we need to do is accept and trust.



We also looked at Jesus who demonstrated the ultimate sign of merciful love when He sacrificed His own life on the cross. The weekend included talks, praise and worship, nonstop gaga ball, small groups, Eucharistic Adoration, and so much more.



The retreat was open to students Grades 5 -8 and we had a total of 29 join us for the entire weekend.



**ST. GREG'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
**VIRTUAL MEAT RAFFLE**  
**When: Friday, June 25**  
**1st Spin is at 7:00 pm**

**Proceeds to Benefit Gerard Place Food Pantry Expansion and St. Greg's Ministries**

- 15 Rounds and a Grand Finale
- \$45 gets you in every round and 5 spots in the finale
- 50/50 raffle **AND** a Weber Grill raffle with a \$100 gift certificate to Pellicano Meats.
  - 50/50 tickets are 1 for \$5.00 or 3 for \$10
  - Weber Grill raffle are 1 for \$5.00, 3 for \$10.00

### More Information

Website: [www.stgregoryknights.org/meataffle](http://www.stgregoryknights.org/meataffle)

Email: [kofcmeataffle@gmail.com](mailto:kofcmeataffle@gmail.com)

Contact: **Tom Creenan, 570-0964**

**PURCHASE TICKETS BY: Tuesday, June 22**

### Payment Options

**Please indicate what you are paying for: e.g., meat raffle, 50/50 and/or Weber Grill.**

Venmo: **@KofC14687**

Send Check to :

**St Gregory the Great Knights of Columbus  
#14687**

**200 St. Gregory Ct.  
Williamsville, NY 14221**

 Pick-up of the winnings will be at St Greg's MC on Saturday, June 26, from 11:00 am -1:00 pm.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VIRTUAL MEAT RAFFLE**

**PRINT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tickets @ \$45 each \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 50/50 Tickets 1 for \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 50/50 Tickets 3 for \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Weber Grill/Gift Card 1 for \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Weber Grill/Gift Card 3 for \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_



## WITH A FATHER'S HEART

Pope Francis' thoughts on St. Joseph, the model for all fathers:

"With a father's heart, that is how Joseph loved Jesus, whom all four Gospels refer to as *"the son of Joseph."*

St. Joseph as *a beloved father*: The greatness of Saint Joseph is that he was the spouse of Mary and the father of Jesus. Saint Paul VI [stated] that Joseph ...expressed his fatherhood "by [turning] his human vocation [into] a love placed at the service of the Messiah who was growing [up] in his home."

St. Joseph as *a tender and loving father*: Joseph saw Jesus grow daily "in wisdom and in years and in divine and human favor" (Lk 2:52). In Joseph, Jesus saw the tender love of God.

St. Joseph as *a creatively courageous father*: God acted [through] Joseph's creative courage [to save the child Jesus and His mother]. Arriving in Bethlehem and finding no lodging..., Joseph took a stable and ...turned it into a welcoming home for the Son of God. Faced with imminent danger from Herod... Joseph protected the child Jesus and rose in the middle of the night [to lead] the flight into Egypt.

St. Joseph as *a working father*: Saint Joseph was a carpenter who [provided] for his family. From him, Jesus learned the value, the dignity, and the joy of what it means to eat bread that is the fruit of one's own labor.

[Let us] increase our love for this great saint, ...and to imitate his virtues and his zeal.

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.*

*Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

--Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde* (Full text at [vatican.va](http://vatican.va))



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

In an effort to recognize and highlight this Year of St. Joseph (December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021), our Adult Faith Formation will be offering some summer opportunities for your enjoyment.

- Wednesday, June 30, at 7:00 pm, St. Joseph impersonator Mike Sacilowski will perform his one-man production of "God's Son, My Son" in the Church. Learn about what the Scriptures have to say about this quiet and righteous man who was a provider and protector of Jesus and Mary.
- Wednesday, July 28, at 7:00 pm in the Church, we welcome Fr. Rob Contarin, who will share with us his insights into the foster father of Jesus
- Wednesday, August 25, at 7:30 pm, at the Ministry Center come for a free outdoor showing of "The Staircase" starring William Petersen, Barbara Hershey and Diane Ladd. Hollywood portrays the true story of a mysterious man who constructs a miraculous, free-standing spiral staircase made with rare wood not native to the American Southwest with only simple tools and wooden pegs. Some believe it was St. Joseph himself!



### ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CAFE

# We're firing up the grill!!!

Every Wednesday and Friday at Lunch

Outside seating available

## ON THE MENU

Hamburger	\$3.50
Cheeseburger	\$3.60
Hotdog	\$3.50
Italian Sausage w/peppers and onions	\$3.75
Combo (item above with chips)	Add \$1.00

[www.stgregs.org/cafe](http://www.stgregs.org/cafe) 100 St. Gregory Court 276-6915

# OUT OF PARISH

## FEAST DAY MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA

On Friday, June 25, Rev. Richard Poblocki will celebrate a Mass in honor of St. Josemaria Escriva, the Founder of Opus Dei, who was canonized by St. John Paul II and is known as the Saint of the Ordinary. The Mass will begin at 6:30 pm at St. Josaphat's Church, 20 Peoria Avenue in Cheektowaga. All are welcome!

## CARDINAL O'HARA HONORS ALUMNUS AND FOUNDER OF THE WELLNESS INSTITUTE IN BUFFALO

June 26 will be a day of celebration to honor Phil Haberstro. The day features a 4-mile "Spirit of Phil" walk at 10:00 am on the Tonawanda Rails-to-Trails pathway. Register onsite or online at the Event Registration tab at [cardinalohara.com](http://cardinalohara.com). A reception and a non-denominational spiritual ceremony will follow. Reception will include food and beverages provided by the family. For more information, contact Jim Haberstro at [jkhaberstro@gmail.com](mailto:jkhaberstro@gmail.com) or 253-606-5833.



## Blood Drive St. Gregory the Great R.C. Church

Ministry Center/Gymnasium (corner building)  
100 St. Gregory Court  
Williamsville, NY 14221

**Saturday, June 26, 2021  
7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

For an appointment visit [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org), sponsor code: MosesInsurance, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS

Questions? Contact Ken Moses @ 908-4072

Appointments Preferred & ID Required

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## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

We have a great opportunity for parishioners interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. There will be a Diocesan training at St. Vincent De Paul Parish located at 2748 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, on Saturday, July 10, from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm in their Bingo Hall. To register, please complete a registration form, present it to our Parish Office for approval, Pastor's signature and parish seal. Once the form is completed, we will submit it to the Diocesan Office of Worship at the Catholic Center. For an application form please contact Jo Pinerino at 688 - 5678, ext. 301.

## TEMPORARY ENVELOPES

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July 12<sup>th</sup> - July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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- Mass
- Confession
- Games
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- Praise & Worship
- Adoration
- Speakers
- Fellowship

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# MASS SCHEDULE

## Saturday, June 19 St. Romuald

### Vigil Masses

- 4:00 pm Frank & Francine Wimble (50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniv) by Wimble, Persons & Brown Families
- 5:30 pm Maria Ruiz by The LaMendola Family

## Sunday, June 20

- 8:00 am Father's Day Novena
- 9:30 am Margaret Richards (birth) by Kathleen Richards & Barbara Nagel
- 11:00 am Leon J. Biernat by son, Rev. Leon Biernat
- 12:30 pm Joseph & Victoria Balcerek by granddaughter, Christine
- 4:30 pm For the People of St. Gregory the Great Parish

## Monday, June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

- 7:00 am Father's Day Novena
- 8:00 am Stephanie Lucchese by Mary Jo & Jim Contino
- 12:00 pm Ralph Wagner (birth) by Linda & Bill Dohn  
Elna Wagner (anniv) by Linda & Bill Dohn

## Tuesday, June 22 Sts. Paulinus of Nola, John Fisher, Thomas More

- 7:00 am Grace Bickel by Linda & Bill Dohn
- 8:00 am Father's Day Novena
- 12:00 pm Tom Shanahan (birth) by Wife & Family

## Wednesday, June 23

- 7:00 am Carmela Amabile (anniv) by Bob & Mary Brown  
Gregory Thomas Bruno (anniv) by The Bruno Family
- 8:00 am Audrey L. Crangle by The Kramer Family

- 12:00 pm Father's Day Novena

## Thursday, June 24 St. John the Baptist

- 7:00 am Father's Day Novena
- 8:00 am Msgr. Thomas Maloney (living) by St. Gregory's Knights of Columbus #14687
- 12:00 pm Matthew Barbalato by Nancy Carr

## Friday, June 25

- 7:00 am John K. Moldoch by Bernadine & Michael Moldoch
- 8:00 am Father's Day Novena
- 12:00 pm Sharlene & Robert Staniszewski by Connie Vicari  
Theresa & Edwin Pustelnik by Erdman Family

## Saturday, June 26

- 8:00 am Father's Day Novena

### Vigil Masses

- 4:00 pm Patricia A. Campobello (anniv) by Susie Pieri
- 5:30 pm Matthew Barbalato by Adriari Family

## Sunday, June 27

- 8:00 am For the People of St. Gregory the Great Parish
- 9:30 am Deceased Members of the Joseph Braunscheidel Family by Joe & Sue Braunscheidel
- 11:00 am William & Joan Reilly by the Reilly Family  
Angela Riordan by Family
- 12:30 pm Helen & Frank Slowinski by Carol & Frank Weise
- 4:30 pm Father's Day Novena

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