

## PARISH COVID UPDATE

Per the Diocese of Buffalo and New York State a face covering is required at all times while on our property attending a liturgy, meeting, event or program. All participants attending in-person meetings or events on St. Gregory the Great campus are required to wear a face covering at any indoor meeting/program *regardless* of vaccination status; complete Health Screening Questions; and sign in. For our complete Covid Guidelines please see our website at [www.stgregs.org/covid-19-update-parish-schedule/](http://www.stgregs.org/covid-19-update-parish-schedule/)

## A VOCATION VIEW

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, all had to make sacrifices to accomplish the Will of God. Let's all be open to the idea that our children or grandchildren may be called to serve the Church as a priest or religious sister. Let us not stand in the way of those whom God has called. For help in discerning God's will, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).

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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 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. Closed for cleaning from 4:00 to 4:20 daily.

**CONFESSIONS:** First Friday of the month from 8:45 to 9:30 am; Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:45 pm in the Church.

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve - Friday, December 24

- 2:00 pm Church
- 4:00 pm Church
- 4:00 pm Ministry Center
- 6:00 pm Church
- 12:00 midnight Church

**Please note:** No tickets are needed for Masses. Once we have reached seating capacity we will not be allowed to let anyone else in. Due to sanitization and cleaning needs, the doors will be opened 30 minutes prior to Mass.

### Christmas Day - Saturday, December 25

- 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, and 12:30 pm. There are **no** 4:00 and 5:30 pm Vigil Masses this day.

### Sunday, December 26

- Normal Sunday Mass schedule

### Monday, December 27

- The Parish Office is closed. The **8:00 am** Mass is the only one on this day.

### Friday, December 31

- The Parish Office is closed.
- The Mass schedule is: 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary at 5:30 pm.

### Saturday, January 1, 2022

- Mass Schedule for the Solemnity of Mary (not a Holy Day of Obligation): 8:00 am, 10:00 am
- Normal Vigil Mass schedule for the weekend will resume at 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm.

## OPLATKI CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Oplatki Christmas Wafers are at the entrances of the Church. Oplatki is a tradition of sharing bread with your family at Christmas. There is a \$1.00 donation per wafer.

## THE WISDOM OF FULTON SHEEN

This Christmas we invite you to take home a free book entitled "The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen." Fulton Sheen was a great pioneer in American television. He is famous for reminding millions of television viewers each week that "Life is worth living!" and was literally the face of Catholicism in the United States for forty years. The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen is a beautiful collection of short daily inspiring quotes from Sheen's life and works. With each turn of the page, it is easy to see why his witty and practical messages influenced so many during his lifetime and continue to move so many people today.

## CAFÉ AND STORE HOURS

The Café and the Catholic store will be closed starting Friday, December 24, until Tuesday, January 4.

From books to CD's to movies and jewelry there is something for everyone on your shopping list, regardless of their age.



Join us for Mass on Christmas Eve at 4:00 pm on WBBZ Ch 67.1; Cable 5; FiOS 5; Dish 5; DirecTV67

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We thank The McGuire Group for helping to make this possible and their continued support of our Parish Community.



# Christ the Savior is Born

## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The gift of Jesus' birth was the beginning of His ministry here on Earth, and we at St. Gregory's are blessed to continue that ministry each and every day. The greatest gift you can give a family or friend this Christmas is to invite them to Mass to experience the joy and peace that only Jesus can bring.

On behalf of Frs. Leon, Moses, Thomas and Dan, Sr. Shawn, Deacons Paul, Michael and Greg, and our Parish Staff, we extend our collective best wishes for a holy and joy-filled Christmas Day and Season. Our prayers are with you as we come to the altar to celebrate Mass today and everyday throughout the year.

We thank each of you for supporting our Parish each and every day. Through your generosity we can minister to our parish community in many ways. Additionally, we thank you for your thoughtful Christmas cards, gifts, cookies, notes and well-wishes this Holiday Season.

Please know of our prayers and love for you. May God bless you, our Mother Mary watch over you, and St Joseph and St. Gregory the Great intercede for you, always.

## STAY CONNECTED TO ST. GREG'S THIS YEAR BY FOLLOWING US ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA

Receive spiritual quotes, learn about closings, cancellations and updates within the Parish, School, Family Faith Formation and Youth Ministry.

- ◇ Update your contact information with the Parish, especially your email, to receive weekly updates.
- ◇ Subscribe to our YouTube Channel [@stgregswilliamsville](#) to view daily mass, weekend services, special liturgical events and so much more!
- ◇ Download the **St. Gregory the Great Parish Mobile App**.
  - ◇ Iphone Users Text: *ParishApp1* to 555888, Android Users Text: *ParishApp2* to 555888, follow prompts.
- ◇ Follow St. Gregory the Great Parish [@StGregsBuffalo](#), School [@stgregsthegreat](#), Family Faith Formation and Youth Ministry on **Facebook!**
- ◇ Follow the Parish on Twitter [@StGregsBuffalo](#)
- ◇ Follow Youth Ministry on Twitter, and Instagram [@stgregsyouth](#) and [@stgregsyounadults](#)



# To our very generous and dear parishioners, **THANK YOU ALL and God Bless you this CHRISTMAS!**

**Matthew 25:37:** *Then the righteous will answer Him and say,*

*“LORD, when did we see you hungry and feed you or thirsty, and give you drink ...*

- When you donated food for the **Heart-to-Heart Food Drive** last February, and **Thanksgiving Food Drive** in November benefiting our St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry.

*When did we see you a stranger and welcome you . . .*

- When you participated in a **Disciple Camp Car Wash** to raise **\$285 for the Doktor Family mission**. The Doktor family from St. Gregory’s Parish is currently ministering in Taiwan.

- When you generously donated **\$13,615 in gift cards and \$13,725 in check and cash donations** for the **Christmas Gift Collection** with persons whose faces you will never see. These donations went to agencies and organizations like the Catholic Academy, Gerard Place, Holy Cross, Jericho Road, Peaceprints, Response to Love Center, SS. Brigid and Columba, St. John Kanty, St. Luke’s Mission of Mercy, St. Patrick’s Food Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul, Seneca Babcock Community Center, Strengthening Families, Try House, the Villa Maria Youth Program and WNY Children’s Psychiatric Center.

- When you made greeting cards and placemats for area nursing homes for Valentine’s Day and St. Patrick’s Day.

*. . . and naked and clothe you . . .*

- When you gave us hundreds of pairs of mittens, socks and hats for needy children the city.
- When you generously gave gift cards to share with the needy.
- When you gave First Communion and Sunday best clothing for children at Catholic Academy.
- When you donated baby supplies like diapers, wipes and onesies for our Baby Shower for the families served by the St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Center.

*When did we see you ill and visit you or, in prison and visit you . . .*

- When you sent gift cards and donations for children at the WNY Children’s Psychiatric Center and Peaceprints.
- When you made and sent hundreds of Christmas cards to retired priests and nuns.
- When you gave us hundreds of gift cards for children of families affected by violence and incarceration at Peaceprints.
- When you made placemats for our elderly in area nursing homes.



**And the King will say to them in reply, “Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did it for me.”**

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### FIRST READING:

All the ends of the earth will behold  
the salvation of our God. (Is 52:10)

### PSALM:

All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of  
God. (Ps 98)

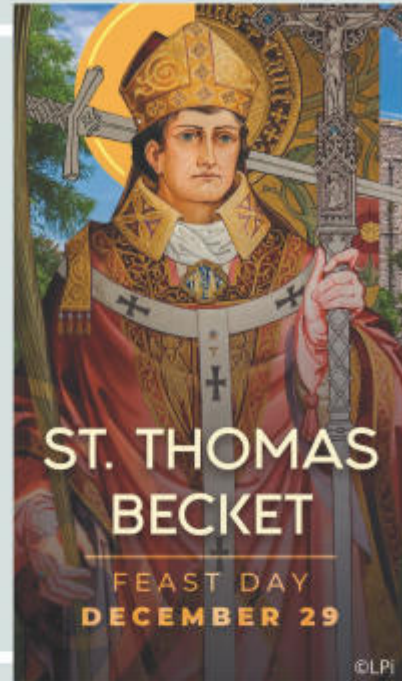
### SECOND READING:

In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways  
to our ancestors through the prophets;  
in these last days, he has spoken to us through the  
Son. (Heb 1:1-2)

### GOSPEL:

And the Word became flesh  
and made his dwelling among us,  
and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father's only Son,  
full of grace and truth. (Jn 1:14)

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## Saint of the Week

Not many saints can be relatable to our times, but St. Thomas Becket (December 21, 1118 – December 29, 1170) is one of the few. King Henry II, a good friend, made him chancellor of England at the age of 36. Then, despite St. Thomas Becket warning the king that he would not blindly follow his wishes, he was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury in 1162.

Soon after, King Henry insisted upon seizing Church rights. In the name of peace, St. Thomas Becket came close to a compromise, and momentarily approved the Constitutions of Clarendon, which would have denied the clergy the right of trial by a Church court. But he later rejected this, and for his safety fled to France where he remained in exile for seven years.

Although returning to England meant almost certain death, St. Thomas Becket came back. According to historical accounts, King Henry implored, "Who will free me from this troublesome priest!" St. Thomas Becket was later murdered by four knights in his Canterbury Cathedral as he was praying. For his part in the murder, King Henry performed public penance after St. Thomas Becket's canonization.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!



“And while they were there, the time came for her baby to be born and she gave birth to her child, a son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no

room for them in the inn.” Luke 2:6-7

The Diocese of Buffalo reaches out to expectant mothers via:

### **The St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach**

**Center:** The center follows the example of St. Gianna Molla in respecting, protecting and cherishing all human life as a precious gift from God. The center serves life by providing material, emotional and spiritual support to single mothers and young families in need, from pregnancy through the first years of life. Donations of diapers, new/gently used baby items, and monetary gifts are always needed and much appreciated. Volunteer opportunities are also available.

**The Mother Teresa Home:** The pastoral mission of the Mother Teresa Home is to promote safety, stability and well-being for people who have experienced or been exposed to pressure related to their pregnancy. The Mother Teresa Home will achieve this through programs that provide shelter, community service, and education referral services for all mothers in need.

If you would like to help either effort, call 847-2205 or go to [www.buffalodiocese.org/pro-life-services](http://www.buffalodiocese.org/pro-life-services)

**DEAR LORD JESUS...INSPIRE US TO SEE YOU IN EVERY UNBORN CHILD.**

## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**The First Penance Parent Workshop** is on Wednesday, January 5, from 7:00-8:00 pm, **OR** on Saturday, January 8, from 9:15- 10:15 am in the School Cafeteria. **Parents, please make every effort to attend one session;** children do not need to attend. If you haven't registered your child online for First Penance, please do so ASAP.

**The First Penance Mass of Enrollment** is on Sunday, January 9, at 9:30 am in Church.

**First Communion Online Registration** begins Monday, January 3, for all Grade 3 Public and Catholic School children. Last day to register is January 28.



**PROVIDING A PREMIER EDUCATION SINCE 1960**



At St. Gregory the Great, our goal is to develop students who learn, live and lead as Disciples of Christ. We focus on prayer, positive relationships and a rigorous academic curriculum while instituting a COVID safe learning environment.

Offering Preschool 3 & 4.

Early Kindergarten and K - 8 academic programs



**Our Open House is Sunday, January 30, 2022**

**10:30-12:30 pm**

**By appt. only, register today using the QR Code**



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## The Veil Removed

In 2019, The Pew Research Center found that only 31% of self-proclaimed US Catholics believe that during Mass, the bread and wine actually become the Body and Blood of Christ. If true, this indicates the vast majority of people in the pews DO NOT understand what takes place at the altar during Mass. As a way to start this conversation in our hearts and within our families, at all Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses (except Midnight) we present a short seven-minute video entitled “The Veil Removed” for your viewing. This video is a representation of the invisible reality taking place at the altar each and every time we come to Mass. For you to better understand the teaching on the Eucharist, we will offer some opportunities for you over Lent. Please save the dates for our Parish Mission “Body of Christ Save Me: Developing a Daily Eucharistic Spirituality,” taking place here April 4, 5 and 6. Our Mission Facilitator will be Dr. Eric Mabry, Assistant Professor of Philosophy & Systematic Theology at St. Mary’s Seminary & University in Baltimore, MD. This is where the Diocese of Buffalo sends our Seminarians. We will share more information as we draw closer to Lent.

## CATECHIST'S CORNER

It will soon be Christmas Day.  
Bibles, paper and pencils  
have all been packed away.

It's time to pause from our busy lives  
to take stock of all God's blessings,  
to give thanks and pray...

Lord, bless the teachers who give their heart  
to teaching our children.

Thank you for the grace and kindness  
of spirit you have given them.

May they know and feel the deep gratitude  
of all of us at Family Faith Formation and  
of those whom they teach.

Fill their hearts with joy and bless them  
at Christmas time and always.  
Amen.

## CATHOLIC RESOURCES

Sign up for great movies, audios, eBooks and Bible studies! Free!

- 1) Go to [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org)
  - 2) Click 'Sign Up'
  - 3) Then click 'I belong to a parish or organization'
  - 4) Type in 'St. Gregory the Great, Williamsville NY'
- And away you go...

Did you know we have a Catholic Radio station right here in Buffalo? Tune into WLOF. FM 101.7 or go to [www.thestationofthecross.com](http://www.thestationofthecross.com) and give a listen to learn more about our Faith.

Do you have a question about our Faith or are curious about how to best explain our Faith to someone? Check out Catholic Answers at [www.catholic.com](http://www.catholic.com) Maybe watching tv programs is more your preference? Check your local listings for EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network).

Perhaps you're looking for a good book or thoughtful gift for a friend? Browse through our bookstore located at the Parish Ministry Center across the parking lot from the Church. If you would like to learn more about Catholic resources in our parish, please look us up at [www.stgregs.org](http://www.stgregs.org) or call us at 716-688-5678.

## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



▪ **FFF Office Hours:** Mon - Fri , 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

▪ **Christmas Break:** There are **NO**

FFF classes for Kindergarten and Grades 1-10 from Saturday, December 18, through Saturday, January 1. The FFF Office will be closed. Classes will resume on Monday, January 3, 2022!

▪ **A Very Special Thank You** to the Saturday Class students for their outstanding participation in our **Christmas Pageant** held on December 11. We would also like to extend a big thank you to Jeff Criden, our Director, for another wonderful pageant!





### FIAT

St Gregory the Great Parish invites you to join us for FIAT, our monthly Eucharistic Conference, Saturday, January 8, at 7:00 pm, in the Church. Open your heart to the Lord and allow Him to make a difference in your life! Our guest speaker will be Fr. Dan Young, Pastor of Good Shepherd Parish, who will share with us the life of Fr. Nelson Baker. Come, for a solid faith-filled talk, great music, prayer ministry and most importantly time with our Lord before the Eucharist. All are welcome!

### HEBREWS: THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT

This 8-week study program presented by Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins on the Book of Hebrews draws connections between the Old and New Testaments, the Liturgy, the Eucharist, the priesthood, and so much more!

**When:** You can choose either Monday nights beginning January 24, in the Gathering Rooms from 6:45 pm until 8:15 pm OR Thursday afternoons beginning January 27, in the Gathering Rooms from 12:45 pm until 2:15 pm. If you are more comfortable joining us virtually through 'Zoom' we can explore that option.

**Register:** Contact Brian Ruh, by January 17, at 688-5678, ext. 313 or [bruh@stgregs.org](mailto:bruh@stgregs.org). Study material required (\$29.95). This includes: Hard copy workbook and online video access (one year). To purchase your study set go to <https://ascensionpress.com/collections/hebrews-the-new-and-eternal-covenant-study-2> OR call Ascension Press at 1-800-376-0520.

### BIBLE STUDY: REVELATION THE KINGDOM YET TO COME

Using videos featuring Jeff Cavins and supplemental materials from Scott Hahn and Brant Pitre, we will explore the real message of hope found in the Book of Revelation. There will be TEN 90-minute sessions. Both morning and evening sessions will be available virtually via Zoom. The morning session will also be held in person. The cost will be \$33 for workbook and on-line access to videos for one year. Please register no later than January 5.

**Starting:** Weekly on Thursday's, starting January 20  
**Times:** 11:30 am, or 7:00 pm via Zoom.

In person at 11:30 am in the St. Amelia Rectory, Tonawanda.

**Register:** Contact Arlene Meyerhofer at 716-430-5575 or [ameyerhofer@verizon.net](mailto:ameyerhofer@verizon.net)

*"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make known your requests to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Phil 4:6-7*

### BLESSING OF THE DOORWAYS

On the Feast of the Epiphany, January 2, you will find incense and chalk kits located in the Church vestibule and all entrances. The tradition of burning the incense, and marking the doorways of your home with the initials of the Magi, is a wonderful custom to participate in. We encourage you and your families to start or to continue this tradition.



# OUT OF PARISH

## BASEBALL EXCURSION

NY YANKEES VS THE CLEVELAND GUARDIANS

**When:** Saturday, July 2, 2022

**Game Time:** 4:00 pm

**Cost:** \$115 per person. Includes private suite with bathroom, unlimited food and beverage (non-alcoholic) from arrival until 1 hour after the first pitch. You can either stay in the air conditioned suite or sit outside in your upper reserved seat.

**Departure:** St. Amelia's Parking lot at 12 noon

**Return:** Anticipated around 11:00 pm

For more information or to make reservations please contact Joe Kroczyński at 716-876-2616 or

[jkroczyński@stameliaschool.org](mailto:jkroczyński@stameliaschool.org). Makes a great Christmas, Birthday, Mother's Day or Father's Day gift. Please note: This is a family friendly event and excessive drinking will not be permitted as per our bus company and crew.

## WALK IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. FRANCIS AND ST. CLARE

Learn how they helped to rebuild the Catholic Church and your Faith. Rebuild and recharge your Faith with other Catholic women in a Spiritual Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome.

**When:** June 26-July 8, 2022. Limited spots available.

**Information Meeting:** Wednesday, January 12, at 6:30 pm at St. Leo's Parish Center, 885 Sweet Home Rd. Parking is in the back of the Church.

**RSVP:** Call or email Nadine Bargnes at 716-830-8530 or [ngbargnes@aol.com](mailto:ngbargnes@aol.com)

## ST. PIUS X FRIDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Many of us can easily pick out the Bible verses found in our liturgies, prayers, songs, books, movies, radio, TV, etc. But how many of us, when we actually open our Bibles to search, begin with enthusiasm only to find ourselves getting bogged down by the long stretches of unpronounceable names and unfamiliar places? Join our Bible study to "Unlock" the story of God's love for us and give us greater confidence and familiarity with the Scriptures.

**When:** Starting on Friday, January 7, through February 25. There are 8 lessons.

**Time:** 6:30 to 8:00 pm

**Register:** <https://tinyurl.com/SPX-UMB-Register> or call the St. Pius X Parish Office at 716-688-9143.

**MEAT RAFFLE**  
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St. Gregory the Great School HSA

**FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 4, 2022**  
6 PM DOORS OPEN | 7 PM FIRST SPIN  
ST. GREGORY THE GREAT  
MINISTRY CENTER  
100 St. Gregory Court, Williamsville

**RESERVE TICKETS NOW**

Attend in person - must purchase a table of 8.  
Attend virtually - watch live on Facebook.

Multiple ticketing options: advanced tickets for meat rounds, basket raffles, big raffle items, and split club.

All Diocesan COVID Regulations will be followed. No outside alcohol permitted.

Questions email: [meatraffletime@gmail.com](mailto:meatraffletime@gmail.com)

**REGISTER:** <https://form.jotform.com/213057351858156>

## THE BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST WITH FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

Would you like to use your time to develop a personal relationship with God AND better understand His living Word? Then we invite you to consider checking out "The Bible in a Year Podcast." Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Bible in 365 episodes, providing commentary, reflection and prayer. Unlike any other Bible podcast, this **FREE** podcast follows a reading plan inspired by 'The Great Adventure Bible Timeline', an excellent approach to understanding salvation history by renowned Catholic Bible Scholar, Jeff Cavins. With this **FREE** podcast, you won't just read the Bible in a year... you'll finally understand how all the pieces of the Bible fit together. This podcast promises to give you confidence and understanding of Scripture.

Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- ⇒ two to three Scripture readings
- ⇒ a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz
- ⇒ and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in His Word.

If you're interested in learning more go to <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration> or simply Google 'Bible in a year podcast.'

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Friday, December 24 - Vigil Masses

2:00 pm Pfeiffer Brothers (living) by Mary B. Pfeiffer  
 4:00 pm Michael J. Wrobel (anniv) by Family  
 Dr. Sebastian Ciancio by Jay & Amy Roeder  
 6:00 pm Lois Brownschidle & Leo & Emily Hoppe by Brownschidle Family  
 Midnight Leon & Sophie Biernat by Son, Rev. Leon Biernat  
 Frederick J. Morrison (anniv) by Donna Morrison  
 Peter C. Schmitt, Jr. by Maureen, Dan & Mark Schmitt

### Saturday, December 25 – The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 am Rita Bargmann (birth) by Barbara Bargmann  
 9:30 am David Haumesser by Donna Bruno  
 11:00 am Billy Hartigan by Tom & Dianne Higgins  
 12:30 pm For the People of St. Gregory the Great Parish

### Sunday, December 26 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 am Michael B. Waldo by D. Michael Waldo  
 9:30 am Mary Ann Klune (anniv) by Liz Ryan Angelo Gazzo by Family  
 11:00 am Maria Liberatore by Bruno DiCristofaro  
 12:30 pm Shirley Carocci by Carocci, Loomis & Sellers Families

### Monday, December 27 – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 am Roger J. Goergen, DDS (birth) by The Goergen Family  
 Paul Moran by Betty Moran

### Tuesday, December 28 – The Holy Innocents

7:00 am Alfonso J. Piazza by Burgasser & Liszewski Families  
 8:00 am Jimmy Spano (birth) by Cathy Rubino & Family  
 12:00 pm Michael J. Wrobel (birth) by Family  
 Donald P. Henry (anniv) by Family

### Wednesday, December 29 – St. Thomas Becket

7:00 am V. Louis Polito by Margaret Kelly  
 8:00 am Rose Tomasulo by The Dayer Girls  
 12:00 pm Donald & Eleanor Courtney by Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Smolka & Adam G. Brian Roberts by Mr. & Mrs. J. Stoeckl

### Thursday, December 30

7:00 am Patrick Moran by Betty Moran  
 8:00 am Sophia Sudyn (anniv) by The Daigler Family  
 12:00 pm Grace Shick (birth) by Melody Tronolone  
 Marie Pullman by Patricia Smith

### Friday, December 31

7:00 am Parish Office Staff by Joey & Lucca  
 8:00 am Kathleen A. Haley (anniv) by Family  
 12:00 pm Arvella Schrameck by Bill & Kathy Schrameck

### Vigil Mass

5:30 pm Joseph Lakatos by Julie & Daughters

### Saturday, January 1 - The Solemnity of Mary

8:00 am Rae Wyatt by Anthony Pagnia, Sr. & Family  
 10:00 am For the People of St. Gregory the Great Parish

### Vigil Masses

4:00 pm Rosie Spoth (living) by Fr. Leon & St. Gregory's Parish Family  
 Hartigan & Reidy Families by Tom & Dianne Higgins  
 5:30 pm Anthony Ulicki (birth) by Edward & Sylvia Stachura

### Sunday, January 2 - The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am The Utnik Family by Betsy Utnik  
 9:30 am G. Brian Roberts by James & Sharon Kulach  
 11:00 am Grace Norman by The Norman Family & Friends  
 12:30 pm Michael Mendola by JoMarie Buscarino  
 Joseph E. Ortolani by The Riordan Family

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