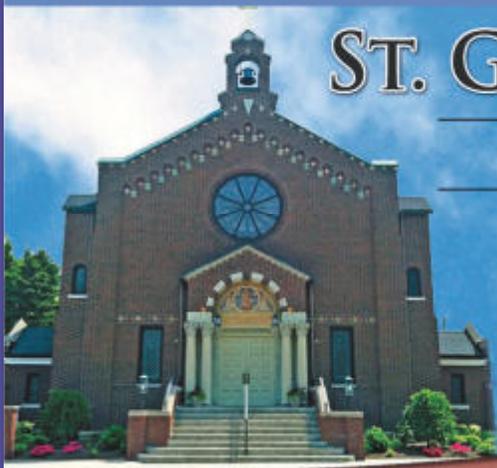


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MASS SCHEDULE

Summer

Saturday.....5:00 PM

Sunday....7:30, 9:00 & 11 AM

Weekday

Mon., Tues. Wed. & Fri.: 8:00 AM

Thursday....12:10 PM

*Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion
following the 8:00 AM Mass on
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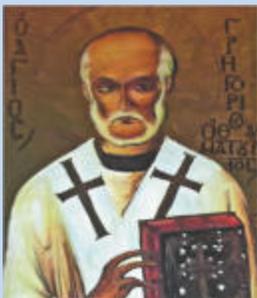
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Pierce*



St. Gregory
Thaumaturgus,
Wonder-Worker,
inspire us to a
more lively faith,
hope and charity
through prayer,
love for God and
generous service
to God's people.
Amen!

JUNE 13, 2021



11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”- Mk 4:30-32b

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*A Welcoming Family Of Faith
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*Celebrating Our 146th Anniversary
As A Parish Family And The
96th Anniversary Of Our Church*

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Baptism – A baptism preparation session is required of all parents wishing to have their child(ren) baptized. Parents must pre-register for the session. Baptisms are celebrated during Mass, following the last Mass on Sunday, or by special arrangement. Please schedule by calling the Parish Office.

First Reconciliation/Eucharist – Children entering the 2nd & 3rd grades and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including St. Gregory Parish School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions. Sacraments are celebrated in late winter and spring.

Confirmation – High School youth who are entering the 11th grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School are eligible to enter the Confirmation preparation program. Sessions begin in the fall and Confirmation is celebrated in the spring.

Matrimony – Call the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the anticipated wedding date. Church date and arrangements should precede all other wedding plans.

Anointing of the Sick – The Sacrament is available to all those who are seriously ill or advanced in age. Please call the Parish Office to request a visit by the priest.

Reconciliation – The sacrament is celebrated weekly on Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 PM, or by request. There are two multi-parish celebrations during Advent and Lent.

PARISHIONER INFORMATION

We are a welcoming Family of Faith who rejoice in God's many blessings! All members of the Parish receive envelopes and parish mailings. St. Gregory Parish is a Sacrificial Giving Parish, committed to serving the Lord through use of God-given time, talent and treasure. Please use the membership form in the bulletin or visit the Parish Office to register.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children ages 4-10 are invited to participate in a special Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 AM Sunday Mass.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Groups or individuals wishing to have information published in the bulletin are asked to submit the information in writing, by e-mail or by phone call by Monday at 1:00 PM.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Desire to receive the Sacraments you missed like Reconciliation, Eucharist or Confirmation? The R.C.I.A. process is meant for you! Please call the Parish Office for more information.

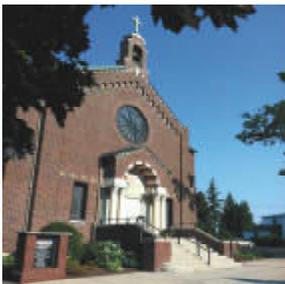
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Add your request for prayer by calling Rosemary Repko at 814-602-6271

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Saint Gregory Thaumaturgus Parish At A Glance...



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Dear Members and Friends of the St. Gregory Parish Family,

The 8th Grade Graduation at St. Gregory School is always held within the context of Mass. It's not only appropriate, it provides the graduating class an opportunity to share in the preparation of the liturgy and to participate in the ministries available. This year, the graduating class of 2021 selected a very familiar first reading for their celebration. Taken from the Book of Ecclesiastes, their choice of God's Word offers the reminder that, "*There is an appointed time for everything, and a time for every affair under the heavens.*" (Ecclesiastes 3,1) I think, friends, that this particular scripture passage is a great choice no matter where a person may be graduating from and no matter what level of education they may be completing!

Why? Because graduation is one of those special occasions that we "*look back,*" when we reflect on all of our years of formation and all the experiences we have shared with our classmates and friends. It's also "*a time*" when we consider where we are at right now, in the current moment, what we refer to as "*the present.*" We give thanks to God for what has been and anticipate what may be next for us in our lives. Of course, that brings us to the "*time*" we refer to as "*the future.*" There are decisions to be made, choices that will help determine how the course of the future plays out. They need to be made with thoughtful consideration, good guidance and prayer!

With those thoughts in mind, I join together with each and every one of you in congratulating all graduates, particularly those associated with our Parish Family, and in offering them our prayerful support as they venture on to the next level of education, service to our country, or the work force! As a Parish Family we are always hopeful that God will bless all our graduates, from every school, with success, peace, and the deep-seeded joy that comes from blessing others through the use of their God-given skills and talents.

The one reminder I always like to offer graduates, in one way or another, is that God continues to journey with them as Companion and Friend. At the Great Mass of the Easter Vigil, we seize the opportunity to mark the new Paschal Candle with the sign of the cross, the "*Alpha*" and the "*Omega,*" and the numbers that refer to the current year. This action is a very powerful reminder, even as we look at the Easter Candle standing tall in the church today, that Jesus wants us to recognize Him as part of our lives now and always. He is the "*Alpha,*" with us from the first moment of our conception and birth into this world. He is the "*Omega,*" with us each and every moment of life on this earth until we journey forward from here to eternity! He is with us right now, this day, this moment in the year 2021; and we can be confident of His presence, no matter what direction we decide to take.

There is truly "*a time for every affair under the heavens,*" my friends, and certainly we rejoice in the assurance that in all the joys, all the challenges, all that comes with each and every day, the Lord is with us! Yesterday, today, tomorrow – we have a wonderful Savior who blesses us and only asks that we do our best to offer encouragement and be a blessing to others! All the best to you as we place our trust in God and embrace this noble mission!

Fr. Tom



Celebration Of Baptism

We welcome ...**Theodore Lawrence Kownacki** into the One Holy Catholic Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Theodore's parents are Dominic and Andrea (Lemieux) Kownacki and his godparents are Christopher and Lauren Alverson.



We welcome ...**Reagan Renee Huggler** into the One Holy Catholic Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Reagan's parents are Aaron and Reanna (Wagner) Huggler and her godmother is Laura Myers.

Congratulations and God Bless!

Preschool & Prekindergarten Registration

Saint Gregory School is proud to offer multiple option plans for early childhood learning. The options we offer are as follows:

M-F 5 Day AM only program from 8:30-12:00 p.m.

M-F 5 Day ALL DAY program from 8:30-3:00 p.m.

Per day AM only; your choice of days

Per day ALL DAY program; your choice of days

Children can be enrolled in any of the programs listed above from 2-5 days a week. If you wish to extend the morning schooling into the afternoon, you have that option through the afternoon program which runs 5 days per week.

Visit our Virtual Open House at www.stgregs.net

*Kindergarten Registration is also being accepted at this time



School Summer Office Hours

June 7th through June 30th – T, W, TH
9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Closed Mondays and Fridays

July 1st through August 16th – T, TH
9:00 AM-12:30 PM
Closed Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays



**St. Gregory School 8th Grade Graduating Class of 2021
Congratulations!**



Each year the Diocese of Erie is honored to celebrate milestone anniversaries with couples throughout our 13-county diocese. We are already looking forward to an in-person celebration in **August of 2021**.

- St. Jude the Apostle Parish in Erie will be hosting Erie Area couples on Sunday, August 8, 2021 at 2:00pm
- Couples who are celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary will be welcome to register and formally join the celebration.
- For more information and to register, go to www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html or contact the diocesan Faith Formation Office at 814-824-1210.

The St. Gregory Wonder-Workers are planning on having their annual Rummage Sale later in the summer. Please hold on to those items you have been saving to help the Wonder-Workers who work so hard and are so generous in supporting the Parish Family. Your kindness and patience are truly appreciated!

**RUMMAGE
SALE**



“Actions speak louder than words; let your words teach and your actions speak.”



Meeting on Wednesday, June 16th, in the Parish Family Room (lower-level of the Church.) The Rosary will be prayed at 6:40 PM with the meeting to follow at 7:00 PM.



An Eagle Soars!

Congratulations to St. Gregory Parishioner Tyler Hansen, from Troop 57, who received his Eagle Scout Emblem at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor on Tuesday, June 1st.

We are very proud of Tyler and his service to the Parish Family!



The Eucharistic Rosary will be prayed on Monday, June 14th, at 11:00 AM in the Our Mother of Perpetual Help Chapel in the rectory. All are welcome.



A recent St. Gregory graduate invites us to imagine that a dragon could have watermelon wings and to enjoy summer!

The Girl Scouts of North East share their artistic skills in painting the sidewalk on South Lake Street with a tribute to Emily Bostwick who went home to God in January of this year.



The path leads to St. Gregory School where *"Faith and Knowledge Meet."*



Jen Humes, St. Gregory Parish Director of Faith Formation, reminds us of an inspiring quote from Mother Theresa *"Do small things with great love."*

Thanks to all those who have worked so hard to help beautify our community!





MONDAY, June 14

8:00 AM—Richard F. Turri—Steve & Pattie Stempka

TUESDAY, June 15

8:00 AM— Charles Piazza— His brother John Piazza

WEDNESDAY, June 16

8:00 AM —Elaine Nejman— Vienna Cocuzzi

THURSDAY, June 17

12:10 PM— Patty Scouten—Mitzi Keough

FRIDAY, June 18

8:00 AM —Agnes Norman— Fran Canella

SATURDAY, June 19

5:00 PM— Parishioners Living and Deceased

SUNDAY, June 20

7:30 AM—Archie Doyle—Maureen & Harry Gratto

9:00 AM—Sam Rizzo, Sr.—Family

11:00 AM— James Feronti— The Owens Family

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

June 5/6, 2021

Envelopes Mailed	596
Regular Envelopes Used.....	92
Amount in Adult's Envelopes	\$6,518.00
Loose	\$347.00
Building Maintenance	\$678.00
Electronic Giving	\$598.30
TOTAL\$8,141.30
Fiscal year-to-date offertory collection..... \$381,921.21
Fiscal year-to-date offertory budget.....\$376,923.18

With the exception of some special feasts, today we return to the green vestments of Ordinary Time, which will last until the first Sunday of Advent on November 28th. Green is the color for ordinary time. It represents the anticipation and hope in the resurrection of Christ. It also symbolizes the hope and life of each new day.

The symbol for ordinary time is the Chi Rho, a Christian sign that dates from the early Church. It is comprised of the first two letters of the Greek word for Messiah, Christos—the letter Chi looks like the letter “X”, and the letter Rho looks like the letter “P.”

This abbreviation became a symbol representing Jesus Christ.





The **SANCTUARY LAMP** is burning this week in honor of
The Blessed Sacrament
 and in memory of
The Deceased Members of the Doyle Family
 by
 Maureen & Harry Gratto

Please remember our deceased in your prayers...

Fr. Paul Schill; Fred Laskowski and
Robert C. Bahm Jr. (brother of James (Rita) Bahm and Cathy (James) Boland)

“Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.”



Confessions will be heard on Saturday from 4:00-4:30 PM. Confessions have returned to the confessional.

St. Gregory Church Membership Form (Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Parish Office)

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