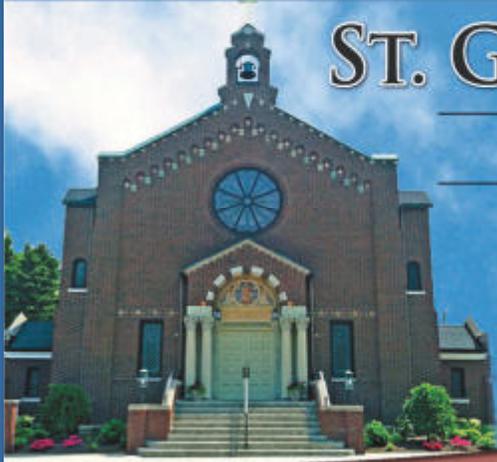


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MASS SCHEDULE

Fall/Winter

Saturday.....5:00 PM

Sunday....7:30, 9:00 & Noon

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
Wednesday*

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Pastor, Rev. Thomas Brooks

*Permanent Deacon,
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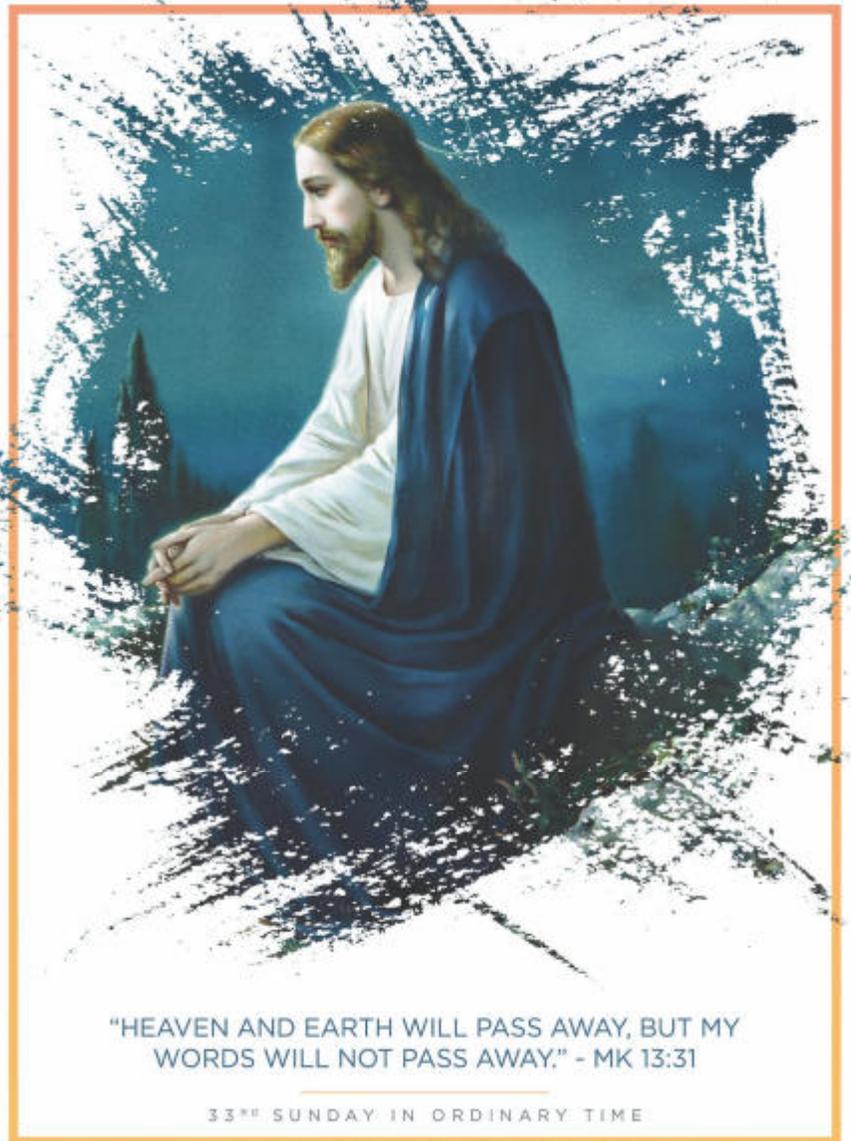
Director of Sacred Music, Corey Spacht

*School Principal Team:, Mrs. Amy Kloss,
Ms. Nancy 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!

NOVEMBER 14, 2021



"HEAVEN AND EARTH WILL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS WILL NOT PASS AWAY." - MK 13:31

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*A Welcoming Family Of Faith
In The Heart Of
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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.

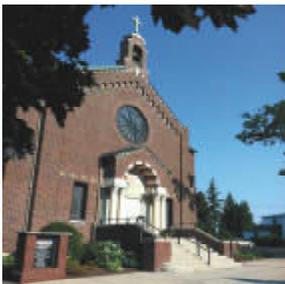
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Add your request for prayer by calling Rosemary Repko at 814-602-6271

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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,

In collaboration with all of the Pastors of the East Erie Deanery, the following letter has been addressed to you and offers you the opportunity to participate in an important planning process as we look forward to our future together. I hope that you will both carefully read the letter and elect to participate in the Pastoral Planning Survey either using the insert included in today's bulletin or online. Your input is important and would be greatly appreciated! Thank you for your consideration and God bless you for your ongoing prayers for our Parish Family as well as all our brothers and sisters in Christ!

Fr. Tom

Dear Parishioners,

We, priests and deacons of the East Erie Deanery parishes, are excited to share with you an initiative to strengthen the vibrancy of our Catholic presence in our communities. Our common aim is creating and securing a hopeful future for our Catholic faith.

Following the lead of Bishop Persico, who began the Pastoral Planning Process in 2015, we have decided it is time to engage the process of pastoral planning to examine ways we can minister more effectively and ensure the presence of our Catholic faith for generations to come. From the start of this process, we want to emphasize that the work of pastoral planning rightfully belongs to all of us. This includes individual parishioners, parish leadership, and pastors from all our parish communities. As we embark on this journey together, we want you to know that we are committed to ensuring that the planning process involves all parts of our East Erie Deanery. Right now, we are at the point of brainstorming, and we need your help.

As a starting point we would like to share with you some common elements of our hopes, vision, and priorities. First, every parish provides unique and invaluable ministries and resources in our respective neighborhoods and beyond. Second, the planning process did not start with predetermined agendas or decisions as to how our initiative will unfold or conclude. Third, we do not have any preestablished timelines that we are considering. Finally, we recognize that our present situation is not viable in the years to come. It is our hope that this initiative will reinvigorate the expression and experience of our Catholic faith inspiring us to be more effective in evangelizing and ministering throughout the East Erie Deanery.

What might our future look like? After much dialogue, we identified six characteristics that we believe are important for ensuring a vibrant Catholic presence into the future: collaboration, outreach, faith formation, ecumenism, transparency, and sustainability. In other words, we must cultivate a willingness to work with one another (collaboration) and we must create an atmosphere of hospitality that welcomes others into our communities and ministries (outreach) and includes other Christians who may not share our Catholic faith (ecumenism). We must continue to demonstrate a commitment to grow in our faith throughout our life's journey (faith formation). Finally, our communities need to be open and honest in our communication and dialogue (transparency) when considering how to best manage our facilities, our ministries, and our communities with an eye ever fixed on the future (sustainability).

With that as the background, we are asking you to participate in a brief survey. We need your thoughts and observations to move forward with open and honest dialogue as we plan together for our future. Please take a few moments to fill out an initial informational survey. You can fill out the survey online (<https://form.jotform.com/212985812553058>) or you can fill out a paper survey at your parish.

In closing, our decision to engage in the planning process as a deanery is a sign of our common conviction that working together as parishes will ensure that the faith that was given to us will continue to be handed on to future generations. We are grateful for your consideration and prayerful participation as we embark on this important journey together.

Sincerely,

Fr. Malthaner
Fr. Glover
Fr. McCormick
Fr. Jacquell

Fr. Hahn
Fr. Kriegel
Fr. Trocchio
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St. Gregory Thaumaturgus Parish



#GIVINGTUESDAY

NOVEMBER 30

1

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2

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SEARCH

for our parish or school

4

DONATE

\$20 or more

**ADVANCED GIVING DATES:
NOVEMBER 15-29**

Thank You and Remember - "God Loves A Cheerful Giver!"
2Cor. 9,7

Our Knights of Columbus Council is having a sports calendar raffle. There are 2500 calendars available to purchase. The calendar provides the winner with a daily chance to win sports equipment or cash for 6 months! Each calendar has 4 FOUR DIGIT NUMBERS, and the winning number is based on the evening draw of the PA Big Four. The calendar runs for 6 months starting January 1 and ending on June 30th. That means you have a daily chance to win 181 days - making a total of 742 chances to win! The calendar replaces our Sports Raffle and will help the Knights with their efforts to support their worthy causes throughout the year. You can purchase a calendar for \$40. Calendars can be purchased from any Knight, or at the parish office. Any questions, contact Mark Blackburn 814-881-9442 or George Beckes 814-882-4204. They make great stocking stuffers and presents for this Christmas season!

On the weekend of November 20-21, we will be collecting for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). As you may know, CCHD is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops which works to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low income participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our The Gospel message compels us to assist others in finding creative solutions to poverty, so that we are able to break the cycle of dependence and powerlessness in society. This work is not possible without the support of dedicated Catholics like you. Your contributions are helping to build more merciful and just communities in the Diocese of Erie and throughout the country. Thank you for helping us to uphold human dignity and alleviate poverty.



Bright sunny days mean good progress being made on our Chapel roof. Thank you for your prayers and support of the annual CSA!

Choir Rehearsal Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 7:15 PM.

Please remember our deceased in your prayers...

Louise Chriest and **Louis Viscuso** (brother of Elaine Mankoski)

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.



Football Lottery Winners

Week 8

1st Place	Amy Kloss	Points: 115
2nd Place	Michael Laughlin	Points: 114
3rd Place Tie	Megan LaFuria/ Jenn Girts	Points: 113
Lowest	Charlotte Sanders	Points: 23



Meeting on Wednesday, November 17th, 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.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Kathy Rizzo** who was the winner of the Fall Basket and “Thank You!” to all who helped in our efforts to serve the Parish Family. We appreciate your support and wish you a “Happy Thanksgiving” on the way!

The St. Gregory Wonder-Workers



Wonder-Worker Betty Artise verifies the winning ticket drawn by her two helpers!



Sessions for grades K-8 at St. Gregory School on:

November 14

Class time is 10:20-11:15 AM

November 21

Parent/Family Session at home and attend Mass

November 28– No Faith Formation

Sessions for grades 9 & 10 in the lower-level of the Church on:

November 14

Class time is 10:15-11:30 AM

November 21

no class, attend Mass

November 28– No Faith Formation

Confirmation Sessions:

November 14

Confirmation Class meets in the Parish Family Room (lower level of the Church) from 1:00-2:30 PM

For more information or if you any concerns call Jen Humes at 814-450-6533 or email at jhumes@roadrunner.com

St. Gregory School Thanksgiving Fundraiser

There’s still time to order Pies or Pumpkin Rolls from St. Gregory School. Pies are \$25 and Pumpkin Rolls are \$18. Various flavors of pies are available. Orders are due on Monday, November 15, 2021, and payment must accompany your order. Orders can be picked up at the School on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 from 3:00-6:00 PM. Order forms are in the vestibule of the Church, and at the Parish Office and can be returned to the School or the Parish Office.



SATURDAY, November 13

5:00 PM– Ruth Ann Keeley-Prayer Line Ministry

SUNDAY, November 14

7:30 AM-Joseph & Mary Gagliano-Dave & Ginny Thornton

9:00 AM-Parishioners Living & Deceased

Noon – John & Sophie Morris– Ron Morris Family

MONDAY, November 15

8:00 AM-Jennie & Wally Cheshire– Monica Zewe

TUESDAY, November 16

8:00 AM– Rosemary Winschel-Julie Bukowski

9:15 AM– School Mass for students and faculty only

WEDNESDAY, November 17

8:00 AM –Ann Coletta– Julie Bukowski

THURSDAY, November 18

12:10 PM– Don Keough-Wife Mitzi

FRIDAY, November 19

8:00 AM –Elaine Nejman– Mary Tirak

SATURDAY, November 20

5:00 PM– Tracy Gallagher– Her Mother

SUNDAY, November 21

7:30 AM George Moylan, Jr.-Louise Chriest

9:00 AM-Goetz, Kaizer & Zirkelbach Families– Goetz Family

Noon – Parishioners Living & Deceased

Looking ahead...

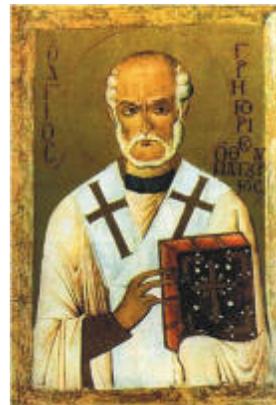
Mass on **Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021**, will be celebrated at 9:00 AM in Church. Donations from that day will be divided equally and given to the North East Food Pantry and the St. Gregory Needy Fund.



WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION	
November 6/7, 2021	
Envelopes Mailed	596
Regular Envelopes Used.....	93
Amount in Adult's Envelopes	\$5,773.00
Loose	\$176.00
Building Maintenance	\$505.00
Electronic Giving	\$538.30
All Saints' Day	\$145.00
TOTAL	\$7,137.30
Fiscal year-to-date offertory collection.....	\$138,752.70
Fiscal year-to-date offertory budget.....	\$146,153.89

St. Gregory Thaumaturgus Feast Day

Wednesday, November 17, 2021



There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass, and devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help, until Noon. There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the church to help guarantee that there will always be someone present in prayer. The intervals are 15 minutes each, but you can certainly spend more time if you are able. Please consider seizing this opportunity to both honor our Patron, who was known to be a great “Wonder-Worker,” and to ask his intercession as you pray for your family and all those intentions you bring before the Lord with faith. St. Gregory Thaumaturgus- pray for us!



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** is burning this week in honor of
The Blessed Sacrament
 and in memory of
Mary Malta
 by
 daughter Jo

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

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