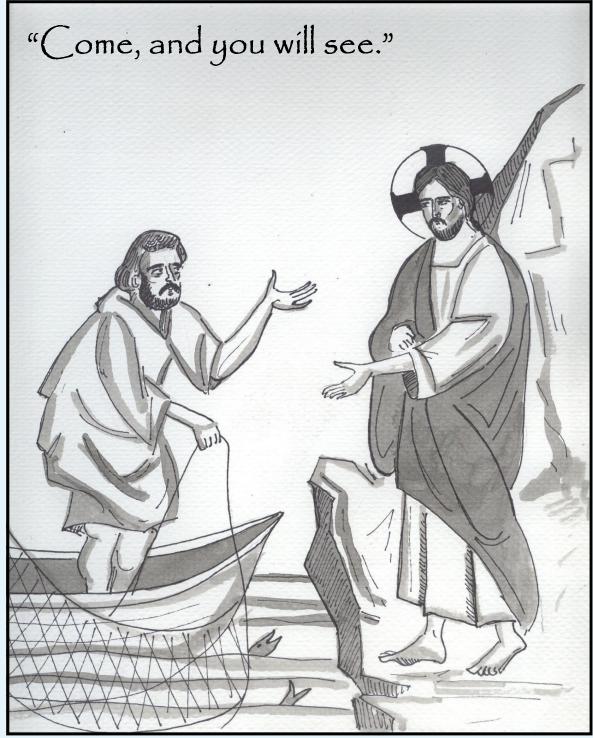


The Gregorian







January 14, 2018 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time





St. Gregory the Great

Mission Statement

St. Gregory the Great is a Catholic Church made up of people of many different ages, talents, and cultural backgrounds. We are an urban faith community with a small town feel of welcome and hospitality. Motivated by our baptismal calling, we accept our duty to embody the presence of Jesus Christ in the world and to take up the mission he entrusted to us by our word and example. We glorify God through support and service of our time, talent, and treasure to our church and to the larger community in which we live.

LIFESOURCE ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE—HOSTED BY SOCIAL CARE



Sunday, January 14, 2018 located in the High School Cafeteria, 1677 W. Bryn Mawr Ave., Chicago, IL 8:00am—1:00pm. Call Sister Barbara Quinn at the Parish Center, 773.561.3546 to make an appointment. Walk-ins welcome!

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

On Sunday, Jan. 14, we will be hosting a Taizé Prayer service beginning at 4p.m. in Church. Taizé prayer involves simple chanting in the Taizé style, a Scripture reading, intercessory prayer, and an opportunity for silent prayer and reflection before an icon of Jesus, Mary or one of the saints. If you have never experienced this form of prayer before, please consider joining us.

BLACKHAWKS FEED YOUR FACE OFF THANK YOUS

This past Sunday, Jan. 7, we had our first Blackhawks Feed Your Face Off in the High School Cafeteria. After 10 straight years when the Chicago Bears lost on the day we celebrated Bear Down/Chow Down, we decided to try something new – Blackhawks Feed Your Face Off. And the Blackhawks beat the Edmonton Oilers 4 to 1. So the curse has been broken. We have a one year winning streak. We plan on sponsoring this same event again next year to see if we can run our winning streak to two in a row. I want to thank Mark Soehn and Alex Siapno who planned and organized the event, Gerry Malone who donated the pop and water, and the volunteers who helped set up and clean up afterwards. Thanks as well to Ranalli's that provided the food. It was a very enjoyable parish event. Thanks again to all the workers and to the people who attended. - Fr. Paul

PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP FOR GIVE CENTRAL

GiveCentral is a method of electronic giving that guarantees us a steady income whether you are able to attend Mass any given weekend or not. It is safe. It is easy to enroll. You can change your level of giving at any time if your financial situation changes. It is also a green way to give that reduces paperwork and saves trees. You can sign up for GiveCentral on the home page of our parish web site at www.stgregory.net, or you can contact Bernadette Daniels at the Parish Center (773-561-3546), and she can enroll you or help you with the process if you have any questions or difficulties.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean face many challenges when it comes to sharing their faith; yet, the light always shines through and hope arises. The Collection for the Church in Latin America empowers the people of Latin America to deepen their faith and share it with each other and the world. Your generosity to this collection which will be taken up this weekend, Jan. 13-14, 2018, will make a difference in the faith life in Latin America. For more information on how you can help the Church in Latin America, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america. Please be as generous as your means allow for this week's collection for the Church in Latin America.

GIVING TREE THANK YOUS

Thanks for all who contributed to the Giving Tree Project!

Special thanks to: Lenore Thomalla who arranged the Project.

Kelly Chester, Chuck Fiori, Jackie Kerby, Keith Lamberg, Joe Toups and Joe Le Sanche for delivering the beautiful gifts. To all of you who donated the lovely gifts. Our gifts went to: Neumann Center, Balmoral Nursing Home, The Catholic Worker, Care for Real, The Hartwell, Little Sisters of the Poor, and Wesley Place. God Bless You!—Happy, Joyful 2018!—Love, Sister Barbara

2018 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Once again it is time for the Annual Catholic Appeal, and I will be talking about the Appeal at all the Masses the weekend of Jan. 27-28. Our parish goal this year is \$20,884. This past year we met and exceeded our pledge goal, and thus far we have received a rebate of \$19,676. These funds were deposited in our Parish Savings Account at the bank of the Archdiocese of Chicago. I want to thank you for your generous support of the Annual Catholic Appeal last year.

Many families in our parish will be receiving the Annual Catholic Appeal request mailing from Cardinal Cupich. On behalf of those served by the ministries and services funded by the ACA, we thank you for your gifts. Please return your response as soon as possible.

The ACA offers a wonderful opportunity to answer Jesus' call to "Come, Follow Me." In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help to ministries here in our Parish.

As we contemplate God's many gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Your financial support for the work of our Parish, our Archdiocese, and the Church throughout the world is, I n fact, one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal.

When our parish reaches its goal of \$20,884 in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our Parish. - Fr. Paul

NORTHSIDE CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Invest In Kids Tax Credit Scholarship Application Update

Through the Invest in Kids Act, the state of Illinois has created a new way to fund scholarships for children from low-income households who want to attend private schools. The tax credit scholarships offered through this program could cover up to 100 percent of tuition and fees for eligible students. Northside Catholic Academy, your parish school, is an eligible private school. Interested families must apply through a Scholarship Granting Organization. Northside Catholic Academy's SGO is Empower Illinois and applications will be open January 24. You can learn more and apply at www.empowerillinois.org. Another eligible SGO is Big Shoulders Fund. Applications through Big Shoulders will be open January 22 and are available online at www.bigshouldersfundsgo.org. Please note families can apply to more than one SGO but will only receive one scholarship. Applications are awarded on a first come, first serve basis.

If you have any questions about tax credit scholarships, please contact the Archdiocese at InvestInKids@archchicago.org or 312-534-5321, or the SGOs noted. If you are interested in learning more about admissions at Northside Catholic Academy please contact Melissa Soberanes at 773-743-6277.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Feb. 14, 2018—Regular Meeting—Tuna Casserole and Macaroni & Cheese-Cost \$6

Feb. 21, 2018—Horseshoe Casino—Bus leaves at 10:45am-\$5 March 14, 2018—Regular meeting—Corned Beef Sandwiches and Cole slaw

DON'T FORGET! BRING YOUR FAVORITE BIRTHDAY DESSERT TO SHARE DURING THE MONTH OF YOUR BIRTHDAY.



BINGO

Bingo at St. Gregory is "Smoke Free"

TUESDAY NIGHT BINGO AT ST. GREGORY

Games begin at 7:00 PM in the Gym Basement—Social Hall (1609 West Gregory St.)

\$2,250 in prizes (*includes* 2— \$500 games)

In case of bad weather, please call the Parish Center at 773-561-3546, <u>after 2:00p.m</u>. for possible cancellation.

Mass Intentions for the week	Prayer List Please pray for the sick and all those who have asked for our prayers.		Our Armed Forces Please keep in your prayers all who are in the armed forces.
8:30am—Parishioners 10:30am—+Justina Wachdorf +Tod Kirchborg	Eloise Coughlin Colleen Dwyer Ida Scott	Tom Ahlfeld Mary Bredemeier Cassandra Christina Morales	Anthony DelRosario Memorial Fund
+Ted Kirchberg MONDAY, January 15 8:30am—+Justina Wachdorf, 100th birthday in memoriam TUESDAY, January 16 8:30am—+Justina Wachdorf WEDNESDAY, January 17 8:30am—Parishioners THURSDAY, January 18 8:30am—Memorial Fund FRIDAY, January 19 8:30am—Parishioners SATURDAY, January 20 8:30am—+Mike Wallace 4:30pm—Parishioners SUNDAY, January 21 8:30am—Parishioners 10:30am—+Justina Wachdorf	James Butler Peter Saldanha Virginia Rodriquez Marylyn Ahlfeld Mark Dichosa Bill Barker Michael Schlee Horace Rutledge Edy Marroquin Stanley Gnoske Matthew Nilson Silvia Muntaner Maritza Muntaner Gema Barrio Olga Rivas Martha Schaffrath	Jesus Manuel Rosario Eileen Casey Ida Christensen Marilyn Gillis Lading Rosa Maria Santos Tania Rojas Rodolfo Nabong Charlie Bales Alice Weinstein Cathy Hall Martha Ratcliff Mary Ardizzone Maritza Muntaner Arlene Blake Joel Rivera	In Loving Memory: +Ed Morehead Marlene & Gerry Malone Special Intentions: Mike and Ruth Schlee Happy 66th Wedding Anniversary From your family

Weekly Calendar		Readings for the Week
Weekly Calcidal	Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;
January 14 (Sunday)	•	Mk 2:18-22
4:00pm—Taizé Prayer service—Church	Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28;
5:00pm—Charismatic Prayer group—Fr. Baseheart rm.	,	Mk 2:23-28
January 15 (Monday) Martin Luther King Day	Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
PARISH CENTER CLOSED	" carresauy.	Mk 3:1-6
January 16 (Tuesday)	Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13;
7:00pm—Bingo—Social Hall	Thursday.	Mk 3:7-12
January 17 (Wednesday)	E	
6:30pm—Novena—Church	Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
7:00pm—Choir rehearsal—PCLL/Church	Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;
January 18 (Friday)		Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
6:45pm—Women's scripture study—Parish Center	Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31;
January 19 (Saturday)		Mk 1:14-20
9:30am—SSR Classes—Gym Building		

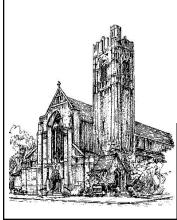
Readings for the Week

Liturgical Ministries (January 20/January 21)							
	Saturday—4:30pm	Sunday—8:30am	Sunday—10:30am				
Presider	Fr. Paul Wachdorf	Fr. Brian Fischer	Fr. Paul Wachdorf				
Lectors/Commentators	Kristine DelRosario Amy Alznauer	Dona Hernandez Susan Silvano	Eleanore Eckstrom Kerry Reed				
Eucharistic Ministers	Matthew Mullen Maria Pilati	Sr. Regina De Vitto Isabel Martinez	Gina Ibardaloza Mandy Ibardaloza				
	Andrew Welling	Catherine Rondinelli Volunteer	Judy Nocek <i>Volunteer</i>				
Altar Servers	Joseph Bucio-Rebollar Volunteer	Joe Siapno Iggy DeCastro	John Alznauer Meg Alznauer Josie Delgado				
	MC-Dan Creed	MC-Isaiah Medina	MC-Carmen Delgado				

Sunday and Holy Day **Collection Totals**

For Fiscal Year July 1—June 30

November



	Envelopes	Cash/Loose	Electronic	Giving	Total
November 5	\$1,684	\$1,202			\$2,886
November 12	\$1,051	\$ 661	\$12,562		\$14,274
November 19	\$1,435	\$1,670			\$3,105
November 26	\$1,520	\$1,138			\$2,658
Holy Days	\$ 826	\$ 20			\$ 846
Total	\$6,516	\$4,691	\$12,562		\$23,769
Over/(Under) Monthly Budget—Year-to-Date			(\$4,821)		
Year-to-Date Collected as of November 30, 2017			\$124,054		
Planned Annual Budget for Sunday & Holy Day Collections			\$315,000		
YTD Collected as a percentage of Planned Annual Budget			39%		

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH AND SCHOOL INFORMATION AND SERVICES

Parish Center

5545 N. Paulina St., Chicago, IL 60640

773-561-3546

773-728-3827 (fax)—www.stgregory.net

Hours:

Monday-Thursday-9:00am - 7:00 pm

Friday- 9:00am - 4:30pm Saturday-9:00am - 4:30pm

Sunday-9:00am - Noon

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Paul Wachdorf, Pastor

Rev. Brian Fischer, Associate Pastor

Sr. Barbara Quinn, Pastoral Associate

Sr. Regina De Vitto, Pastoral Associate

Mr. John Miaso, Business Manager

Mr. Patrick Godon, Director of Music & Liturgy

Ms. Bernadette Daniels, Administrative Asst.

Mr. Dan Creed, Sacristan

Mr. Joseph Malham, Artist-in-Residence Quest Theatre Ensemble, Artists-in-Residence www.questensemble.org (Reservations: 312-458-0895) International Chamber Artists, Artists-in-Residence www.ICAmusic.org

Schools

Northside Catholic Academy (NCA) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Admissions Office: 773-743-6277

St. Gregory Credit Union

1609 W. Gregory St., Chicago, IL 60640

Sunday 9:30am-12:00pm & Wednesday 7:00pm-9:00pm

St. Gregory the Great APP

Can be found at St. Gregory the Great, Chicago IL iPhone Users-Text: great1 to 555888 Android Users-Text: great2 to 555888

Sunday: Saturday Evening—4:30pm, Sunday—8:30am and 10:30am.

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday-8:30am

Holy Days of Obligation: Please check the Sunday bulletin for Holy Day Schedules.

Sacraments

Baptisms: First Sunday of the Month—1:00pm (except during Lent)

Weddings: Arrange with a pastoral staff member at least six months in advance. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

Reconciliation

Saturday- 3:30pm - 4:15pm

Services

Prayer Requests: If you or a family member or relative is ill and would like to be included on the list of prayer requests, please call the Parish Center.

Mass Intentions: You may request a Mass intention for someone who is living or deceased or special occasions such as birthdays, special anniversary, get well wishes. Please call or stop by the Parish Center.

Devotions

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 1st Friday of each month, 9:00am-7:00pm, except when funerals are scheduled. Novena To Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays 6:30pm

Taizé Prayer Service

The Taizé Prayer Service will focus on seasonal icons. Taizé Prayer Service will be held in Church on Sundays at 4:00pm. Please check the bulletin or our website at www.stgregory.net (under the "About Us" tab) for the next scheduled prayer service.

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