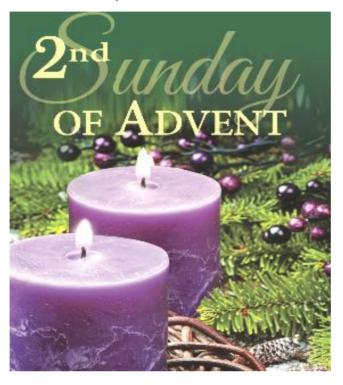
Saint Gregory the Great Parish

A Catholic Community of Faith in Cambridge since 1967 Second Sunday of Advent – December 4th



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed Tuesday — Friday: 8:30am—4:00pm

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please call to arrange the appropriate preparation at least two months in advance.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays 10:00 am — 10:30 am Tuesdays 6:00 pm — 6:30 pm and by appointment.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation: Please contact the Parish Office 519-623-3111

Marriage: Please contact the office at least one year in advance of expected date.

Holy Orders : Contact Fr. Khalid Karomi at the Parish Office or contact Fr. Mike King at the Diocese at 905-528-7988

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office 519-623-3111

When entering a hospital please register as a member of St. Gregory's Parish. When confined at home, contact the parish.

St. Vincent De Paul Society - Voucher Program 519-622-2232

PASTOR

Fr. Khalid Karomi

PASTORAL AND SUPPORT TEAM Mrs. Maria Ditner, Office Administrator

MASS SCHEDULE

Lord's Day

Saturday @ 5:00 pm Sundays @ 10:00 am **Weekdays** Tuesday @ 7:00 pm Wednesday Thursday & Friday @ 8:15 am

DEVOTIONS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday—6:00pm—6:45 pm

Rosary

Sunday @ 9:30 am

Tuesday @ 6:20 pm

Saturday @ 4:30 pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet Tuesday @ 6:00 pm

Blessing of Expectant Parents Fourth Sunday of the month following Mass

> SUBMISSIONS to the bulletin due TUESDAY AM

Second Sunday of Advent



Tuesday, December 6 7:00 pm + Maria Ofelia Ceron + Rod MacKay Int. of Katarina Liptak and Family For the deceased & injured who served in Mozambique from 1970-1973

Wednesday, December 7 8:15 am + Liduina Resendes

Thursday, December 8 8:15 am + Jose, Ana, Maria and Manuel Sousa

Friday, December 9 8:15 am For the Souls of the Fontes and Resendes Families

Saturday, December 10

5:00 pm + Antonio Pereira + Maria Angelina Amaral Int. Hugo Armando Ceron

Sunday, December 11 10:00 am Int. of all Parishioners 3:00 pm Baptism

Pray for our Priests and Religious

Monday	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
Tuesday	Rev. Hayden Starczala
Wednesday	Order of Preachers (Dominican) (O.P.)
Thursday	Rev. John Van Hees
Friday	Very Rev. James Petrie, E.V.
Saturday	Rev. Gerald Mulhall

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS Donations are invited in the form of a financial offering or a donation of Red <u>or</u> White Poinsettia's only.

Place any funds in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" include your name, phone and address and leave it in the collection basket so a tax receipt may be issued. Donations will be accepted until December 20th. Your generous gift will make our church come alive for Christmas.

Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection...... \$ 570.00 Envelope Donations November 27... \$ 872.25

Thank you for your Generosity!



Dear Parishioners: On behalf of The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, I would like to thank you for your generous donations all year long! The work we do would not be possible without your support! We give 100% of your generous donations to the needy in your neighborhood. Our yolunteers strive to follow our

Lord's dictate to feed the hungry. All information gathered is kept confidential and each person is treated with dignity and respect. Jesus said we should do things in secret and our Father in heaven will reward us openly. Holidays such as Christmas hit needy families the hardest. This Christmas is going to be extra challenging with the rising cost of living and food prices. Because of your donations many families will receive food and gifts for their Children. Warmest Regards, President SSVP Mary Roberts.

ANGLE TREE

We now ask that the gifts be returned. If you still wish to support the Angle Tree financially, envelopes are available. All gifts MUST be returned by this weekend or call

the office to make other arrangements.

Light the candles on the ADVENT WREATH

A Sign up sheet is available at the main entrance of the church. A beautiful way to celebrate Advent

Calling all CWL Members and All Ladies of the Parish: **Christmas Dinner at Swiss Chalet,** 101 Dundas St., S. Thursday, December 15 at 6pm. Please confirm your attendance to Lisa @ <u>lisachip1963@gmail.com</u>. Look forward to seeing everyone.

2023 Living with Christ Sunday Missal CAN BE FOUND AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH COST \$5.00 EACH

The Knights of Columbus, Council 4916 December meeting will be held on Thursday, Dec. 8/22 at 7:00 pm at St Gregory the Great Church, upper floor by the kitchen.

Consider joining the Choir.

December 4th, 2022

<u>Reflection:</u> As the journey of Advent continues, as we prepare to celebrate the Nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God Who comes among us to make divine judgment manifest. "And it is today, in the present, that we decide our future destiny. It is with our concrete everyday behavior in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby Who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity.

"Through the Gospel John the Baptist continues to speak down the centuries to each generation. His hard clear words bring health to us, the men and women of this day in which even the experience and perception of Christmas often, unfortunately, reflects materialist attitudes. The 'voice' of the great prophet asks us to prepare the way for the coming Lord in the deserts of today, internal and external deserts, thirsting for the water of life which is Christ." — Benedict XVI

Lord Jesus, as I prepare myself for the journey ahead, help me remember that you are everything: a baby, a king, a savior. No matter where I am in my life, or what I am feeling, you are there with me. When I need wonder and tenderness, I turn to the manger. When I need strength, I turn to you, crowned and in your kingdom. Help me grow in the ways you want me to, as your loyal subject. Amen

The Pope's Prayer Intention of this month For volunteer not-for-profit organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

SURPRISE PACKAGES

We are still looking for items for the surprise packages. Lightly used items — we'll take them. Items for children, adults, Christmas, etc. please make sure they are clean and not too big. Place all items in the specially marked boxes at the entrance of the church.

Book your 2023 MASSES Have a Mass said for a family member.



This month we are collecting:

Cooking Oil

Thank you for your support!

FORMED Pick of the Week

Go to http://formed.org Click on Sign Up found in the top right hand corner of the formed welcome page. Click on "I belong to a parish organization" A search dialog will appear, asking you for the name of your parish. Type "Saint Gregory the Great Cambridge" and choose us from the list. Enter your name & email address into the dialog boxes. Enjoy! **Watch**

On the home page at the top click ADVENT and you will be taken to many beautiful videos, chats to explore what Advent truly is.

SAVE THE DATE: THE **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS IS BACK!**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration is available on line @ www.hamiltondiocese.com.

ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

Even though you attend Mass at our parish, you may not be registered if you have not submitted a registration form in the past. Please register your family in preparation for Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, weddings, pastoral references, **etc**. Registration forms are available in the hallway across from the Parish Hall or by contacting the office for the forms 519-623-3111

ALTAR SERVERS NEED

We are looking at restarting the Ministry of '**ALTAR SERVERS**". These young people assist the priest during Mass. Training will be provided. Speak with Fr. Khalid or call the office 519-623-3111 for details

TO ADVERTISE HERE PLEASE CALL 519-623-3111



Our Parish Schools

Elementary

Saint Gregory

Bryan Cinti Principal 519-621-6770

Saint Augustine Angie Carroll-Boeyenga Principal 519.740.3530

Secondary

Monsignor Doyle Lou Bellini, Principal, 519.622.1290

PRAYER FOR ADVENT

God of All Comfort and Source of All Joy,

send your Spirit to me in this holy season of Advent. Grant that I may have the grace to prepare my heart for the coming of our Lord Jesus at Christmas, and strengthen my hope in his coming again. Light my way and guide my steps to meet the Prince of Peace. Amen