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22th Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 3, 2023

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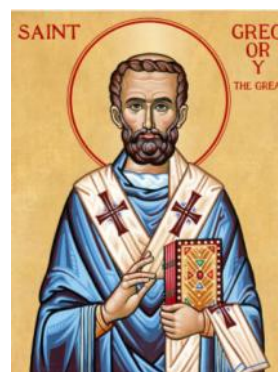
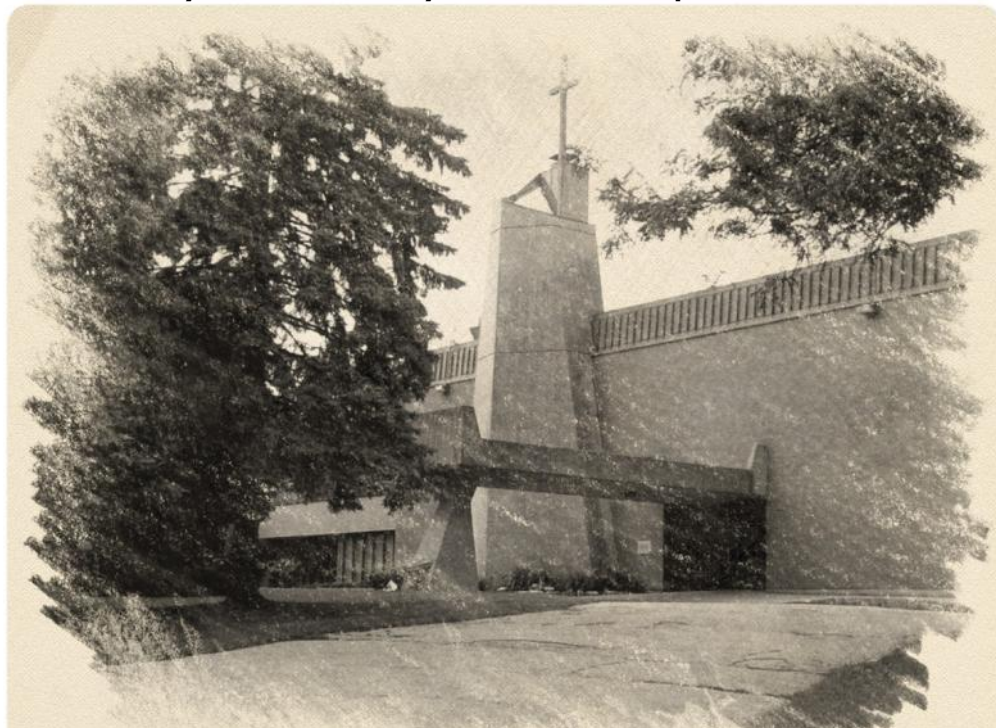
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Fr. Khalid Karomi

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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

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.

SUBMISSIONS to the bulletin due
TUESDAY AM

St. Vincent De Paul Society - Voucher Program
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Visit us online www.saintgregoryparish.com

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses For The Week



Tuesday, September 5—Fr. at a Seminar
7:00 pm **NO MASS**

Wednesday, September 6—Fr. at a Seminar
8:15 am **NO MASS**

Thursday, September 7—Fr. at a Seminar
8:15 am **NO MASS**

Friday, September 8
8:15 am **Int. Monica Sofia Duran Arevalo**

Saturday, September 9
5:00 pm **+ Mato Pankretic**
+ Antonio Pereira
+ Tullia Zanvetor & family
+ Kevin Finney
+ Teresa Kardynal

Sunday, September 10
10:00 am **Int. of all Parishioner**
Baptism

Pray for our Priests and Religious

Monday	Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R.
Tuesday	Rev. Romelito Guillen
Wednesday	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (S.O.L.I.)
Thursday	Rev. Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.
Friday	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday	Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.

VOLUNTEERS — COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

A coffee fellowship sign-up sheet can be found on the table in the Atrium. We are looking for volunteers to help with coffee fellowship from September to December 2023.

Your responsibilities: set out the treats, make the coffee and tea then clean up afterwards. Instructions provided. Looking for 2—3 people per Mass.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING—we are presently looking for advertisers. If you know of any business who wishes to advertise, please have them call the office to discuss. 519-623-3111

Fr. Khalid will be attending a Seminar on **Tuesday, September 5—Thursday, September 7. NO MASSES.** Regular schedule resumes on Friday

Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection..... \$ 565.00
August 27, 2023 \$ 1,082.50
Thank you for your Generosity!

St. Gregory the Great (540—604)

Feast day Saturday, September 3rd

Patron of our parish, St. Gregory the Great was a mayor, a monk, a pope and a writer. Unhappy with his life as mayor of Rome, St. Gregory allocated half his fortune to the poor and the other half to the foundation of seven monasteries. After joining a monastery in pursuit of a simple life, he was elected to the papacy. As pope, he cared for the poor, implemented the Gregorian reforms to improve Church governance and clerical behavior, promoted the monastic vocation, and renewed the liturgy. His name is associated with Gregorian chant (plainsong) and Eucharistic Prayer II (along with St. Hippolytus). A prolific writer and Doctor of the Church, St. Gregory composed numerous theological texts and is cited 374 times in St. Thomas Aquinas' Summa Theologiae.

St. Gregory the Great Pray for us!

Feast Day of St. Gregory the Great

will be celebrated by the coming together of
St. Gregory's Parish & St. Behnam Parish's
with a Mass celebrated on Sunday,
September 17th at 11:00am followed by a
gathering

of our communities as we share together a potluck meal, games, music and other activities

Tickets will be sold after each Mass at a cost of \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 10 years of age.

Come and celebrate St. Gregory as a community.

Sign up sheets will be available for 1)potluck items 2) coffee and tea station monitors 3)set up & clean up crew. **MASS AND POTLUCK**



Prayer Vigil—for the Unborn **Thursday, Sept.7,2023,**

10:00am-11:00am opposite the Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted.



All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy @ kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

September 3, 2023

Reflection: Matthew 16.21-27

In foretelling his sufferings and death, which took place some months later, Christ intended to prepare his disciples and other followers for what he knew would be for them a severe crisis of faith. He also took occasion from it to remind his disciples, and all others who would follow him, of what their attitude to suffering and death should be. He told them, and us too, that we must be ever ready to accept sufferings in this life, and even an untimely death if that should be demanded of us, rather than deny our Christian faith.

To prove their loyalty to their faith in Christ thousands of Christians in the early Church, and thousands more during persecutions in later centuries, gladly took him at his word and went joyfully to their martyrdom. It is to be hoped that, aided by God's grace, we would all be ready to imitate their example, if called on to prove our fidelity to Christ and our Christian faith. But at the moment what Christ expects and asks of us is that we should bear the sufferings and hardships of daily life cheerfully and gladly for his sake.

This daily carrying of our Christian cross can be, and is for many, a prolonged martyrdom. Poverty, ill-health, cruelty and hardheartedness met with in the home and in one's neighbours, are heavy crosses which only a truly Christian shoulder can bear. But, if we were offered health, happiness, peace, wealth and power for the next fifty or seventy years on this earth, in exchange for an eternal heaven after death, what rational one among us would accept that offer?

Christians know that this life is a period of training, which makes us ready hereafter to receive the eternal reward which Christ has won for us. Every trainee knows that one must endure certain hardships and sufferings in order to merit graduation into one's chosen profession or trade. On our Christian graduation day we shall, please God, hear the welcome words: "Well done good and faithful servant; because you have been faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater, come and join in your Master's happiness" (Mt. 25: 21). May God grant that every one of us will hear these words of welcome.

—Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

One Heart One Soul

Parking lot contract will be awarded soon. More details upcoming shortly.



This month we are collecting:

Dried lentils, peas, barley

Thank you for your support!

CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE will be holding their biggest annual "Walk for Life" fundraiser this month to continue their work of defending "Life" from Conception till Natural Death. The 5km walk will take place on Saturday, September 23rd from the **Grace Bible Church**, 2 Grand Avenue at 10am. Our Parish has been very generous in the past by sponsoring our pastor. Sponsor sheets will be located in both entrances of our church. Your support is appreciated.

Catholic Children's Aid of Hamilton has been helping children in the Hamilton Diocese of over 50 years and the needs continue to increase. **Youth in our community are facing homelessness, food insecurity and mental health issues.** You can make a difference today by helping us to raise funds by placing a bid on our online auction & raffle. All the money raised will be poured back into support for our young people. There are a variety of items to choose from - something for everyone! Check it all out at this link and help us help children in need! Be sure to scroll to the bottom of our page and hear from some of our youth directly. [Children First Raffle & Auction \(auctria.com\)](https://www.auctria.com) or **CONTACT US:** Roger Ali: Roger.ali@hamiltonccas.on.ca or 905-525-2012 ext. 3150. If you like to play golf, you might also consider joining us for our golf tournament on Sept. 12th. More info [Attend or Support a Fundraising Event – Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton \(hccas.ca\)](https://www.hccas.ca).

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH – As summer ends and school begins, it is time to get back to a more scheduled lifestyle. As you organize your family, remember that our priorities are what we give the most time to and what we schedule time for, so do not forget to schedule family time, prayer time and Church attendance into your schedule. Place these items on the calendar because they matter to your whole family and seeing them there raises up their importance!

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