## Saint Gregory the Great Parish

A Catholic Community of Faith in Cambridge since 1967 31th Sunday in Ordinary Time — November 5, 2023



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

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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

CONTACT

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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.

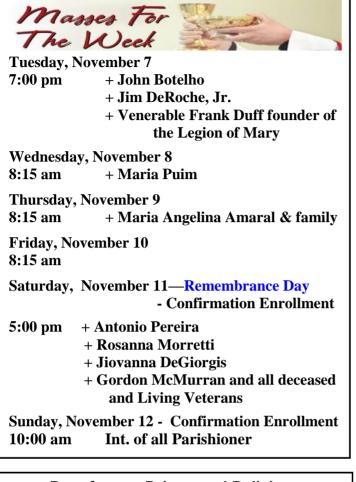
Holy Orders : Contact Fr. Khalid Karomi at the Parish Office or contact Fr. Mike King at the Diocese at 905-528-7988

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

#### Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Pray for our Priests and ReligiousMondayRev. Adam Zettel, L.C.TuesdayConsecrated Virgin CandidatesWednesday-Deceased Priests of Diocese of HamiltonThursdayDedication of Lateran BasilicaFridayRev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.SaturdaySt. Martin of Tours, Bishop

Raffle Tableswill once again be set upin the Atrium (November)NEEDED: New items. Items can beleft under the table. Tickets will be \$5for 3. Sale dates to be announced soon

PARKING LOT AND DRIVEWAYS. Final layer to be applied shortly. Please use parking lot until further notice. Thank you

#### Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection	\$	607.50
October 29, 2023	\$	1,518.40
Thank you for your Generosity!		

#### K of C : Upcoming event:

Thursday November 9, 2023 @ 7:00p.m. at St. Mary's Church we will have a Memorial Mass in conjunction with the Catholic Women's League to remember Brothers who have passed away since our last Memorial prior to COVID. 23 Brothers will be remembered. Families, friends and spouses are invited to join us. A socialize will follow in the parish hall.

#### ANGEL TREE COMING SOON

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region (CCFOWR) will hold a **Trivia & Pasta Night on Friday, November 17 at St. Benedict Catholic Secondary School in Cambridge.** This event will directly support our Cambridge students and families.

Over the past 3 years, CCFOWR has distributed over \$1.25 Million in grants & financial assistance to our schools & the community. \$150,000 has been given as food gift cards since 2021.

We are reaching out to you in hopes that you will participate in the event by enrolling a team of 8 who will also appreciate a fine pasta dinner! Visit website <u>ccfowr.ca</u> under the tab News and Updates. Our thanks for being a part of our success in supporting our schools, parishes and community

It is necessary to be strong, in order to become great: that is our duty. Life is a struggle, which we cannot avoid. We must triumph! - St. Pius of Pietrelcina



#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for this month For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

**COFFEE** FELLOWSHIP



This <u>Saturday, Nov., 4 &</u> <u>Sunday, Nov., 5</u> after Mass <u>ALL ARE WELCOME</u> to join and spend some time in fellowship. Coffee, Tea

and Light Snacks Next Coffee Fellowship: December 2/3, 2023

#### November 5, 2023

November brings many opportunities to pause, reflect and pray.

On Nov 1 and 2, we celebrated All Saints Day and All Souls Day which, traditionally, invites us to reflect on our place in the larger reality of life and death, and to give hope in the eternal life with God. Throughout this month, Catholics remember and pray for their loved ones who have passed away. Whether your loss is more immediate and you are struggling with feelings of grief, loss and hopelessness, or if you are simply commemorating special anniversaries of loved ones who died a while ago.

#### "Book of Life"

As a parish, we will highlight this month by preparing our annual "Book of Life". You are invited to place the names of your departed family and friends. If you are not attending Mass in person but wish to have your loved one included in our book, please email: **stgreg@rogers.com** and we will insure they are included.

We have loved Them during life, let us not abandon Them until we have conducted Them by our prayers into the House of the Lord. (Saint Ambrose)

Praying for the dead is an act of charity and an occasion to meditate on God's mercy. These prayers also move us to assess our own relationship with God and consider how God is calling us to follow him more closely, so we can spend eternity with him. Love continues after death. For this reason, prayers have been offered for the dead since the beginning of Christianity. The Church teaches that God's mysterious will involves the prayers of the faithful in the purification of our loved ones, friends, and even strangers after their death. We offer suffrages for the dead-Masses, prayers, and almsgiving-because we love those who have died. And God uses our simple acts of love to prepare the souls of the deceased who are destined for heaven. As we pray for others, we trust that one day we too will count on the Church's prayers when we face Jesus' judgment at the time of our death. - Memento Mori: Prayers on the Last Things

Recite this month: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.* 

Your love for those who have died is a participation in God's own love for them. Your love can still reach them, and God will use every prayer, sacrifice, and act of love in his mission to "draw all people to himself" (John 12:32). In Christ, *Daughters of St. Paul* 



#### Thank you for your support!

CFFC will be collecting HALLOWEEN CANDY Place all candy in the buckets found at the entrances to the church.

High School Students! Are you thinking of attending the University of Waterloo? On Saturday, November 25 from 10-5, attend the UWaterloo Open House and stop by the Conrad Grebel University College residence, right on the UWaterloo campus. Learn about the supportive residence environment that this small and vibrant faith-based community can provide more info at <u>uwaterloo.ca/grebel/tour</u>

Interested in pastoral training? Conrad Grebel University College at the University of Waterloo offers a two-year Master of Theological Studies degree for people from a range of academic backgrounds. Integrate academic study and practical internships to prepare for a pastoral role in congregations, chaplaincy in hospitals, prisons, or elder care facilities, or social service work in varied settings. Full-time Canadian/ permanent resident MTS students are eligible for full tuition scholarships. Learn more at <u>uwaterloo.ca/</u> <u>theological-studies</u>.

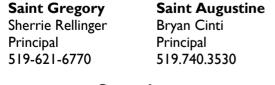
There's no doubt about it, life can be hard! Heavy burdens may be overwhelming, creating feelings of distress, illness, losing a loved one, unresolved guilt... or even fear about world events. Whatever the pain or sorrow, the experience of suffering may have us wrestling with that common question: Why would God allow this suffering? Once again, these "storms" invite us into that place of trust & confidence: trust that sometimes God allows a suffering to bring about a good that we cannot see, and confidence that "in all things God works for good". From the Book of Job to the lives of the Saints, we learn how through pain, sorrow & suffering we can come closer to Jesus & his promise of peace. "Pain & suffering will come into your life, but remember pain, sorrow & suffering are but the kiss of Jesus - a sign you have come very close to Him" - St. Teresa of Calcutta "Strive to preserve your heart in peace; let no event of this world disturb it. The endurance of darkness is the preparation for great light"

#### TO ADVERTISE HERE PLEASE CALL 519-623-3111



#### **Our Parish Schools**

#### Elementary



### Secondary

Monsignor Doyle Lou Bellini, Principal, 519.622.1290



September 17th, 2023 St. Gregory the Great, Gathering