

Saint Gregory the Great Parish

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Christmas, Nativity of Our Lord, December 25, 2023

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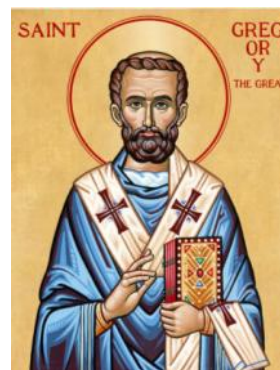
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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.

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

Divine Mercy Chaplet

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Christmas—The Nativity of the Lord

MASSES For The Week



Tuesday, January 2—NO MASS
Wednesday, January 3 —NO MASS
Thursday, January 4 —NO MASS
Friday, January 5 —NO MASS
Saturday, January 6
5:00 pm +Miguel Damicoa
Int. Irene Arevalo Monge
Sunday, January 7
10:00 am Int. of all Parishioner



We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to Come Home for Christmas. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return.

Invite family and friends to attend Christmas Mass

Christmas Eve Masses
5:00pm and 7:00pm

Christmas Day Mass
10:00am

Sunday, December 31
10:00 AM

New Years Day
Monday, January 1
10:00am

COME HOME for Christmas

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:
 The Church Office will be closed between Tuesday, January 2 —Friday January 5.
 All Message will be checked periodically. If you are visiting the office during this time please call first to confirm someone is in.


2024 Living with Christ Sunday Missal
CAN BE FOUND AT THE ENTRANCE
TO THE CHURCH COST \$5.00 EACH

Pray for our Priests and Religious

Monday The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Tuesday Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
 Wednesday— **Diocesan Priests**
 Thursday Rev. Jason Kuntz
 Friday - Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
 Saturday Rev. David Perrin

2024 Offertory Envelopes



Envelopes are located at the main entrance of the church.

Current envelope users should find a box labeled with their name and address (please check for any errors).

OR If wanting to start with an envelope set you will find non labeled sets on the same table. Please write you name and phone number on the first couple envelopes you submit. Also complete sheet found on top of envelopes

Those looking to support St. Gregory before the end of the year, please insure that your donation is received prior to December 29th so that proper tax receipts can be issued.

Teach us to give and not count the cost.
 - St. Ignatius of Loyola

Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection.....	\$595.00
Knights of Columbus	\$1,000.00
December 24, 2023	on next weeks bulletin

Thank you for your Generosity!

Wishing all a Very Blessed
 Christmas
 Fr. Khalid and Maria

December 25, 2023

Christmas 2023

Christmas Greetings to the Beloved Parishioners of St. Gregory the Great

As we approach the celebration of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, I am filled with gratitude for the love and fellowship that defines our parish.

Christmas commemorates the arrival of the Prince of Peace into our world in humble circumstances, emphasizing the core values of love, peace, and brotherhood.

As we gather to celebrate, let us hold in our hearts the values that Jesus embodied, especially in the land where he was born. The region of Jesus' birth continues to face challenges, calling for the transformative power of peace, brotherhood, and love.

Let us unite in prayer for this land and extend our support to those who endure hardships. Christmas is a reminder of our responsibility to be ambassadors of peace and love in our world sowing seeds of unity and understanding through our actions.

I wish you and your families a blessed and merry Christmas! In Christ's love,

Father Khalid Karomi, Pastor
St. Gregory the Great Parish.

The feast day of your birth resembles You, Lord because it brings joy to all humanity. Old people and infants alike enjoy your day. Your day is celebrated from generation to generation. Kings and emperors may pass away, and the festivals to commemorate them soon lapse. But your festival will be remembered until the end of time. Your day is a means and a pledge of peace. At your birth heaven and earth were reconciled, since you came from heaven to earth on that day you forgave our sins and wiped away our guilt. You gave us so many gifts on the day of your birth: a treasure chest of spiritual medicines for the sick; spiritual light for the blind; the cup of salvation for the thirsty; the bread of life for the hungry. In the winter when trees are bare, you give us the most succulent spiritual fruit. In the frost when the earth is barren, you bring new hope to our souls. In December when seeds are hidden in the soil, the staff of life springs forth from the virgin womb. (Christmas Prayer of St. Ephraim)



This month we are collecting:
Cooking Oil
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FORMED Pick of the Week

Go to <http://formed.org>

Once on the home page it will ask you "how do you want to sign in" click on "Sign in as a Parishioner" it will take you to the next screen. Type in Saint Gregory the Great, Cambridge and choose us. The next screen type in your name and email and you are in. **Watch: Mary of Nazareth**



2,000 HAIL MARY'S
Saturday, December 30th, 2023

Starting with Mass at 8:00am and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



The Hail Mary's will run the whole day until the 2,000 have been prayed approx. 8:30pm During the 5:00pm Mass the reciting of the Hail Mary's will continue in the parish hall. Once Mass is completed the reciting of the Hail Mary's will return to the church.

Anyone (families, children, seniors) can join us for the whole day, half day, a couple of hours or whatever time works for you.

The Hail Mary's can be said in different languages The gathered prays this private devotion to Our Lady, asking her for any kind of favours, and trusting that God will grant them through our Lady's powerful intercession.

All are welcome to participate

Saturday, Jan 6 & Sunday, Jan 7 after Mass
ALL ARE WELCOME

to join and spend some time in fellowship. Coffee, Tea and Light Snacks

Next Coffee Fellowship: February 3/4, 2024



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**Merry
Christmas**

May the Joy of the Season and the
love of God fill our hearts today and
always.