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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 17, 2024

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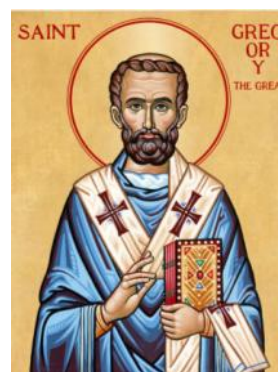
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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. Mark Morley 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**  
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## 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

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## Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Masses For The Week



**Tuesday, March 19**

**7:00 pm** + Lynn Woolstencroft  
+ Antonio & Virginia Reis & Daughters  
Int. of Charlie Kovac & her parents

**Wednesday, March 20**

**8:15 am**

**Thursday, March 21**

**8:15 am** + Jose and Ilda Figueiredo  
+ Manuel and Angelina Falcao

**Friday, March 22**

**8:15 am**

**7:00 pm** Station of the Cross

**Saturday, March 23—Palm Sunday**

**5:00 pm** + Patricia Souza  
+ Abel Avelar  
+ Rosemary Ashley  
+ Albino Andrade

**Sunday, March 24—Palm Sunday**

**10:00 am** Int. of all Parishioner

#### Pray for our Priests and Religious

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| Monday    | Rev. Ken Miskiewicz                      |
| Tuesday   | St. Joseph, Patron of Canada & Universal |
| Wednesday | Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)              |
| Thursday  | Rev. Msgr. Dennis Noon                   |
| Friday    | Rev. Donald Sanvido                      |
| Saturday  | Permanent Diaconate Candidates           |

#### Station of the Cross

**Friday, March 1st at 7:00pm**

#### **VOLUNTEERS — COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

A coffee fellowship sign-up sheet can be found on the table in the Atrium. First weekend of each month. Your responsibilities: set out the treats, make the coffee and tea then clean up afterwards. Instructions provided. Looking for 2—3 people per Mass.

### Watch in Lent: - Bible in a year with

**Fr. Mike Schmitz**

[media.ascensionpress.com](http://media.ascensionpress.com)

#### Sunday Offering

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| EFT weekly Collection..... | \$620.00   |
| March 10, 2024 .....       | \$1,420.10 |

Thank you for your Generosity!

**Knights of Columbus Council 4916** will be having a Special screening of the Movie "**Mother Teresa No Greater Love**" on **Sunday, March 24 at @2:00 pm** at St Mary of the Visitation Church Hall. Produced by the K of C, the documentary is an account of the life and legacy of this beloved Saint for our times. We will be accepting Donations of Food Items for SVDP. We hope you are able to join us.

Pope Frances Monthly prayer intention: We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**2,000 Hail Mary's is cancelled for this month. Join us on Saturday, April 27th**

**REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL MARCH 28, 7:00 – 9:00 PM** Join us for our special youth screening of **Island of Lemurs, Madagascar**. An insightful documentary for the whole family! Follow Dr. Patricia C. Wright's mission to help lemurs, the highly evolved creatures who arrived on Madagascar millions of years ago as castaways but are now highly endangered. Daytime screening for D&P Schools also available. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register at: <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/>** A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

**Devote your first and principal care to cleansing your own conscience. Let cleansing the consciences of others come later. For how can one be of use to others who takes no care of their own self? —St. Francis Xavier**



**Easter Flower Donation**  
Donations are invited towards the flowers that will decorate our church sanctuary during Easter .

Donations can be placed in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Easter Decorations". To receive a tax receipt, please note your name and address. If you want to donate flowers please insure they are potted Easter Lily's, daffodils or daisies. Bring them to the office by March 27th. Thank you.

March 17, 2024

**This Lent \*\*\*\*** Jesus knows the burdens *you* carry, the way of the passion that *you* walk and he doesn't want you to walk alone. He sees you. He invites you into his divine and mysterious plan. "Come to me." Whatever are the tears that run down your cheeks, or those perhaps held unshed in the secret of your heart, go to him.

**Jesus is calling you from the Tabernacle and from the inner sanctuary of your own heart.**

**"I am here. Come to me. Tell me what you need."**

Fasting is the most well-known, and most commonly misunderstood, practice associated with Lent. Almost everyone has heard about "giving something up" for Lent. But it's more than just that. The idea behind Lenten fasting is to deny satisfaction of a physical need or desire in order to devote that time to prayer, reflection, and service. This fasting is meant to parallel the 40 days Jesus fasted in the wilderness in preparation for his public ministry. Fasting most often involves abstaining from food of a particular type, such as meat or sweets, or at a particular time. For example, many people are familiar with the practice of not eating meat on Fridays during Lent. Yet, fasting can also include staying off social media, not watching television, or not playing video games. A couple may agree to abstain from sexual intimacy as a fast, and use that time together to seek intimacy with God through prayer. Most people choose not to fast on the intervening Sundays throughout Lent, as these are days of celebrating Christ. Fasting during Lent helps Christians reflect on their need for the cross and prepare their hearts for the celebration of the resurrection.

Through the Desert God Leads us to Freedom  
In his message for Lent 2024, Pope Francis invites us: **"Let us welcome Lent as the great season in which he reminds us: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery (Ex 20:2). Lent is a season of conversion, a time of freedom. Jesus himself was driven into the desert by the Spirit in order to be tempted in freedom. For forty days, he stands before us and with us: the incarnate Son. Unlike Pharaoh, God does not want subjects, but sons and daughters. The desert is the place where our freedom can mature in a personal decision not to fall back into slavery. In Lent, we find new criteria of justice and a community with which we can press forward on a road not yet taken."**

**CFFC**  
Canadian Food For Children

This month we are collecting:  
**Pasta and Sauce**  
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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: Lent series fearless**

Jesus asks an important question upon seeing a man who had been ill for 38 years, Jesus dares to question him: *Do you want to be well?*

It seems like a silly question on the surface. But as Jesus probes the depths of this man's desire, he also invites us to look at our own.

What do you want? *Really* want? And does your desire align with the profound longing that God has written into your being: the longing for union with him? Desire is a powerful force in our lives. When we desire God and the will of God, the force of holy desire moves us to act accordingly. When we don't allow ourselves to desire rightly or deeply enough—when we jump to satisfy the smallest craving and don't let ourselves experience a deeper hunger—then we, too, can find ourselves sitting in the same spot for years.

The spiritual life isn't complicated. Jesus can take us to new places with a simple question: Do you want to be well? Do you want to experience true freedom? Do you want to dwell in me and let me dwell in you?

All of the teachings and practices of the Church are given to the world in order to heal the pathos of the heart and transform us into Jesus by grace. Friendship with him is the way. Through faith and hope in his gracious love for us, and our love for him, the human heart gradually recovers from the pathological condition of the fall. Slowly do the eyes of the heart recover their spiritual sight.... Slowly do we become the person God created us to be in the communion of the Church.

Let Jesus question you today—for by his words, he also gives you the grace to respond to him. To be well.

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If you have a secret sorrow,  
a burden or a loss,  
An aching need for healing...  
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If worry steals your sleep  
and makes you turn and toss,  
If your heart is feeling heavy...  
Hang It On The Cross.

Every obstacle to faith  
or doubt you come across,  
Every prayer unanswered...  
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For Christ has borne our brokenness  
and dearly paid the cost  
To turn our trials to triumph...  
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