# Saint Gregory the Great Parish

A Catholic Community of Faith in Cambridge since 1967

Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2024



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# PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

#### 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.

# PASTOR

Fr. Khalid Karomi Deacon Neil Devereaux ndevereaux@hamiltondiocese.com

# PASTORAL AND SUPPORT TEAM

Mrs. Maria Ditner, Office Administrator Mr. Kevin Boult, Custodian

# 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

Tuesday @ 6:20 pm

Saturday @ 4:30 pm

Rosary Sunday @ 9:30 am **Divine Mercy Chaplet** Tuesday @ 6:00 pm

**Blessing of Expectant Parents** Fourth Sunday of the month following Mass

SUBMISSIONS to the bulletin: TUESDAY AM

# Third Sunday of Advent



Tuesday, December 17 7:00 pm + Leslie Krynicki + Emilia Fontes Souls in Purgatory Deceased Members of the Melo Family

Wednesday, December 18 8:15 am Int. of Guadalupe & Jose Raul Arevalo

Thursday, December 19 8:15 am + Jose and Ilda Figueiredo

Friday, December 20 8:15 am + Liam & Sarah Munroe

Saturday, December 21 5:00 pm + John & Eli

- m + John & Elizabeth Rajnak
  - + Antonio & Maria Figueiredo
    - + Morgan Bedard Medeiros
  - + Abel Avelar

+ Maria de Lourdes DaRosa Moura

Sunday, December 22 10:00 am Int. of all Parishioners

# Pray for our Priests and Religious

MondayRev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.TuesdayRev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.WednesdayVoluntas Die Institute (i.v.Dei.)ThursdayRev. Ilija PetkovicFridayRev. Vinko NenadicSaturdayRev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.

2025 Living with Christ Sunday Missal CAN BE FOUND AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH COST \$5.00 EACH <u>Please leave money in basket</u> <u>found by the Missals</u>

**Choir**—Christmas is coming and we need your voices. Join the Choir. All interested can reach out to Cathy or call the office 519-623-3111 or email stgreg@rogers.com

# Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection...... \$ 579.00 December 1, 2024 ..... \$1,208.65 Thank you for your Generosity!

# **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. Flower donations must be at the church by Dec. 22th after the 10am Mass **Your generous gift will make our church come alive at Christmas.** 

# COME HOME for Christmas

AN ADVENT PRAYER FOR THE FAMILY Create a powerful new family tradition this Advent season by praying together as a family. In just one minute, you'll fill your home with unity, peace, and the joy that comes from awaiting the coming of Jesus!

Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love. Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit move within us and give us eyes to see with, ears to hear with and hands that God's work might be done—St. Dominic

**Fr. Khalid is looking for volunteers** to assist with the Fire Safety Program. This is a new program from the Diocese of Hamilton to insure that all who visit the church are kept safe. Anyone with any previous knowledge or experience in fire safety or any one else who is interested. Please speak with Fr. Khalid or leave a message with the office 519-623-3111



# December 15, 2024

Stewardship Reflection In today's Gospel we hear the prophet John the Baptist being asked an insightful stewardship question: "What should we do?" Each group wants to know the appropriate response to John's call; each reply points to how they should treat others. John does not simply say, "Be baptized." Rather, he points them to their jobs and personal relationships.

John's message is simple: judgment is near, and repentance includes treating others well. We should be willing to share what we have with those in need. To listen to John the Baptist is to be called to account. Do I give only of my excess, or am I the good steward who is willing to make daily sacrifices in order to help others? From Holy Spirit Catholic Church

<u>Advent reflections</u> The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops presents Journey through Advent with the Most Rev. Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto.

Join us as we reflect on the Scriptures for the Sundays of Advent 2024. This is a joint initiative of the National Liturgy Office, the Office national de liturgie and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. Visit the following website:<u>www.cccb.ca</u>

If we are the heirs of Christ, Let us abide in the peace of Christ. - St. Cyprian of Carthage

# **Advent To Do List**

Smile often, Go to Church, Pray Go to Confession before Christmas, Have faith, Rediscover old friends, Make new ones, Light Advent Candles, Explore the unknown, Make some mistakes, Learn from them, Hope, Grow, Give, Give in, Sing Christmas Carols, Bake Cookies for a Friend, Do a Random Act of Kindness, Celebrate your own life, Give a Homeless Person a Blanket, Be Thankful, Stop worrying, Watch a Christmas Movie, Reach out to family and friends and wish them a Good Day, Write a Love Letter to Yourself,

Keep Christ in Christmas, Keep the Faith Attend a Christmas Mass Canadian Rood For Children This month we are collecting: Cooking Oil Thank you for your support!

# 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— Guadalupe, The Miracle and the message



# 2025 Offertory Envelopes

Don't forget to pick up your 2025 envelopes found in the Atrium (off the Parish Center). Current envelope users should find a box labeled with their name and address (please check for any errors). If you would like to begin using weekly envelopes there are boxes without labels. <u>Please record your name, contact info</u> and the number of the box you have taken on the sheet of paper found in the box.

All envelope users are asked to write their name and contact info on the first few envelopes they use in the New Year.



CHRISTMAS EVE—Tuesday, December 24 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS DAY—Wednesday, December 25** 10:00 a.m. (Feast of the Nativity of the Lord)

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Saturday, December 28 — 5:00 p.m. Sunday, December 29 — 10:00 a.m.

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD** Wednesday, January 1 — 10:00 a.m.

# TO ADVERTISE HERE PLEASE CALL 519-623-3111



# **Our Parish Schools**

#### Elementary

#### Saint Gregory

Sherrie Rellinger Principal 519-621-6770 Saint Augustine Bryan Cinti Principal 519.740.3530

#### Secondary

Monsignor Doyle Rich Stehlik, Principal, 519.622.1290

# MEMORARE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary of Guadalupe, that in thy celestial apparitions on the mount of Tepeyac, thou didst promise to show thy compassion and pity towards all who, loving and trusting thee, seek thy help and call upon thee in their necessities and afflictions. Thou didst promise to hearken to our supplications, to dry our tears and to give us consolation and relief. Never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, either for the common welfare, or in personal anxieties, was left unaided. Amen