

St. Gregory Barbarigo Parish

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Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ May 3, 2020

Well in the writing of the bulletin we are in day 50 of the pandemic shut down, but at the same time, it is only 13 days until May 15, when, God willing, things get rolling again. For St. Gregory's the big "things" would include: Public Mass, Sunday and weekday, St. Gregory's school and the Adoration Chapel. Now as you probably realize, the school is not a parish school, but a regional school, so the functioning of the school is beyond the purview of parish governance. But according to the Governor, schools in New York state will remain closed for the rest of the year, so September is when our schools will open again (hopefully).

Public Mass and the Adoration Chapel – I am hoping will be happening sometime in May, maybe not Sunday May 17, but maybe Sunday May 24, which also happens to be the start of Memorial Day weekend. We will wait for directives from the Chancery, then once we have the "All Clear" date and protocol, the Parish Council will meet to see how we implement the new normal.

So we see light at the end of the tunnel – when we will be together again, particularly for the celebration of Mass on Sunday. And granted, the primary reason we come together on the Lord's Day is to aspire to live by the Third Commandment – Keep Holy the Sabbath. So we come together to worship God – but an aspect of our Divine Liturgy is also – we see family, friends, neighbors – the community of the Church. And Church is one of the last inter-generational community experiences in our society. Families with babies, teens, young adults, middle aged people and seniors are together – and we see each other, pray together and after Mass – frequently we hang around and chit chat. This is a beautiful aspect of our faith – church friends, people who we know and care about, and our link to each other is the parish. And in many respects – electronic contact – facebook, zoom, facetime – are helpful – but cannot take the place of physical presence among other people. This is the case in terms of coming together for Mass – but also kids' sports, school, work, etc. But the one thing we can maintain – is a consistent prayer life, and as you might recall – May is the month of Mary, so if you are not praying the rosary – I encourage you to begin.

I'VE GONE TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU: Please remember our recently deceased Thomas Westervelt, Hilda Cusick, Martin Bornstein, Nicholas Guerra, Pat Diaferia and all the souls for whom Mass will be offered:

MONDAY, MAY 4

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM John Donovan

TUESDAY, MAY 5

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Ambrose & Dorothea Coyne

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Jack Joyce & Frank Morse

THURSDAY, MAY 7

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Patricia Horan

FRIDAY, MAY 8

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Margaret Conway

SATURDAY, MAY 9

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Rev. Bruce Jackson

5:30 PM Joseph & Betty Maguire

SUNDAY, MAY 10

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM For the People of St. Gregory Barbarigo

9:30 AM Mother's Day Intentions

11:30 AM Mother's Day Intentions



Next Sunday is Mother's Day, please try to celebrate in some way or other. Mass intentions are for the Mom's in the parish, particularly those included on the Mass intention envelopes placed on the altar.

Thanks again are extended to the parishioners who continue to support the parish by envelopes or electronic giving – it is what keeps us going.

And finally – one sign more sign of hope will be when we see heavy equipment show up to begin the extension onto the school, God willing, that will be sometime around or after May 15.
Yours in Christ, Fr. Joseph Fallon



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: The sick are comforted knowing that we pray for them. In your charity, please remember James Newman, Donna Lodi, Tracey Pappalardo, Mercedes Greenleaf, Marie Margies and the Wailing Wall and the intentions of our prayer network.



MOTHER'S DAY is next Sunday, May 9; we remember all of our mothers, living and deceased and offer the sacrifice of the Mass for them. In your envelope packet and at the exits, you will see a special insert for Mother's Day to enroll their names for a remembrance at Mass. These may be sent to the rectory in the usual, virus time manner: slipped under the door in the Narthex kitchen, mailed to the rectory or dropped through the mail slot in the rectory front door. Please try to have envelopes with names in by Mother's Day.

SEND ENVELOPES WHERE? Your continued support is certainly appreciated and essential. For some of our community, there appears to be confusion as to where collection envelopes can be sent, so here are the options.

1. You can mail them to: St. Gregory Barbarigo Parish, 21 Cinder Rd. Garnerville NY 10923
2. Another option is to bring them to the front door of the rectory and put them in the mail slot.
3. Also – if you like – you can go to the church and slip the envelope under the door for the kitchen in the Narthex.
4. There is also the option to support the parish electronically by the use of Parish Pay. There is a simple link found on the parish website.



Whatever your choice, thank you for your efforts to sustain our parish.

STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE

~ **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING** ~

For the Lord's generosity, we returned to His Church

Last Sunday (4/26/20) envelopes.....	\$4,079.00
We Share	\$2,861.00
Total Weekly	\$6,940.00
A Year Ago (4/28/19).....	\$12,903.54
Easter Sunday (to date)	\$23,159.00
Easter Sunday last year 2019	\$38,536.50

GIFT CARD PURCHASES

Total purchases of \$700
5% commission to the parish \$35.00



Daily Mass at St. Gregory's can be viewed via the parish website:
StGregoryBarbarigo.org, Monday through Saturday at 9:00 am (except Thursdays) and on Sundays at 9:30 am.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE: to date we have received \$57,415 in pledges from 179 families, for our goal of \$107,500, which means we are at 53.41% of our goal – and that is pretty good considering we are in the midst of a worldwide pandemic. For this appeal to really be successful, we need to have support from all our families. As you might recall, the appeal is an essential source of funding to sustain the programs and ministries of the Archdiocese as well as parishes that have financial difficulties. Please be as generous as you can, and thank you for your support.



Scholarship Opportunities

MONSIGNOR THOMAS J. DARBY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION Applications are available by emailing Father Fallon at sgbrectory@gmail.com at the parish office. We have some school families who are having difficulties as they attempt to meet the financial obligations of tuition at the regional school. A memorial scholarship foundation has been established and named after the first pastor of St. Gregory Barbarigo, Monsignor Thomas Darby. Shortly after his arrival in 1961, he founded the parochial school. This is a fitting tribute in his honor. Are you eligible to apply? Do you attend Mass at SGB each Sunday and contribute to the parish offertory? Do you have continuing financial need? Good attendance, a respectable behavior record, a demonstrated sense of service? In addition to the financial assistance provided, it is emotionally uplifting to know that parishioners find our program at St. Gregory Barbarigo worthy of patronage. If you would like to make a contribution to this foundation, please contact Fr. Fallon.

The **St. Gregory Barbarigo Home & School Association** will be offering a scholarship to a graduating high school senior who graduated from St. Gregory Barbarigo School. Application and requirements can be obtained by contacting the Home & School Association through the school website <https://stgregorybarbarigoschool.org/home-and-school-association>. Applications are due by May 15, 2020.

The **Sixth Annual Matthew McGuinness Memorial Scholarship** - This scholarship is for current 8th graders at St. Gregory's who will be attending Albertus Magnus High School in Fall of 2020. Applications are available at registration at Albertus Magnus High School. Winner will be announced at Freshman Orientation.

The **Heather Leigh Colon Scholarship** is available for 8th grade CYO basketball players that are planning on attending a catholic high school in the fall of 2020. For more information contact Barbara or Mark Colon at (914) 447-5962 or email bcolon3821@aol.com.