

# St. Gregory Barbarigo Parish

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Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ May 17, 2020

Well today is May 15, which for different parts of the state and country, is the beginning of phase 1. As you probably realize, Rockland County is included in the Mid-Hudson Region, and unfortunately we have only hit 5 of the 7 mandated metrics and 7 out of 7 metrics are required to enter phase 1. What does this mean for us, here at St. Gregory's? Well, in terms of coming together for Mass, it means that things remain the same; we continue to stay at home and participate in Mass via (the not always reliable) Facebook broadcast. As a brief aside, I have ordered a new Logitech camera, they are not very expensive, and maybe a new device will bring us a better and more consistent picture. Another bright note – we have the green light to begin building, which is the case across the state. When I see the first piece of equipment on site, I will post a photo on the parish website and the Facebook page. Pastors in the Archdiocese have received an email informing us that the pews need to be segmented to allow for social distancing, this will be accomplished in the coming days, probably with blue painter's tape. I have also decided to take more chairs out of the chapel – to allow social distancing when adoration resumes.

Religious Education is slowly coming to completion, we have already had some journals turned in – which is good. Typically, by May 15, CCD would be coming to an end.

This Thursday is **Ascension Thursday**, when Our Lord ascended back up to Heaven. In ordinary times this would be a Holy Day of Obligation, but with consideration of the virus and dispensation from Mass, the obligation part is discontinued (at this time). **Mass on Ascension will be Thursday, at 12:15 in the afternoon.** Mass will be a bit more solemn – similar to a Sunday.

**I'VE GONE TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU:** Please remember our recently deceased Paul Piperato, Jenny Morpf, Thomas Westervelt, Hilda Cusick, Martin Bornstein and all the souls for whom Mass will be offered:

## MONDAY, MAY 18

*Easter Weekday*

*Saint John I, Pope & Martyr*

9:00 AM Dennis Martin Sr.

## TUESDAY, MAY 19

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 AM Mother's Day Intentions

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 20

*Easter Weekday*

*St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest*

9:00 AM Robert Hobbs

5:30 PM Camilla Dunn

## THURSDAY, MAY 21

*Easter Weekday/St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and*

*Companions, Martyrs*

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

12:15 PM Living & Deceased members of McCarthy/Suozzo Families & John Donovan

## FRIDAY, MAY 22

*Easter Weekday/St. Rita of Cascia, Religious*

9:00 AM Bob Carr

## SATURDAY, MAY 23

*Easter Weekday*

9:00 AM Matthew McGuinness

5:30 PM Christina Bruno

## SUNDAY, MAY 24

**THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

*Seventh Sunday of Easter*

7:30 AM Mary & John Croyle

9:30 AM Alice Howard

11:30 AM The People of St. Gregory Barbarigo

Finally – **Thank you to all our parishioners who continue to support the parish!** As you might notice – the grounds and church are being maintained, so thank you. Keep in mind also that the church is open during the day from 9:40 to 5:00 pm, so you are certainly welcome to drop in for a visit and some quiet time and prayer. And in this month of May it is a great practice to pray a rosary every day, even as a family.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. 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.

**CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE:** to date we have received \$62,800 in pledges from 207 families, for our goal of \$107,500, which means we are at 58.42% 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.



*Our electronic view of mass*



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

**STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE**

~ GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING ~

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

<b>Last Sunday (5/10/20) envelopes.....</b>	<b>\$9,321.00</b>
<b>We Share .....</b>	<b>\$3,715.60</b>
<b>Total Weekly .....</b>	<b>\$13,036.60</b>
<b>A Year Ago (5/12/19).....</b>	<b>\$13,739.24</b>
<b>Easter Sunday (to date)</b>	<b>\$25,349.00</b>
<b>Easter Sunday last year 2019</b>	<b>\$38,536.50</b>
<b>GIFT CARD PURCHASES</b>	
Total purchases of \$1,850	
5% commission to the parish	\$92.50

**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.



Flowers on the altar this week are donated by Barbara Ferguson in Memory of Josephine Carter



**Scholarship Opportunities**

**MONSIGNOR THOMAS J. DARBY SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION** Applications are available by emailing Father Fallon at [sgbrectory@gmail.com](mailto: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.