

ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

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**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Year A

Sunday, October 4th, 2020

Celebration of Masses, Devotions and Sacraments

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday-Friday:
No Scheduled Liturgy

Baptism

Parents wishing to have their child baptized are asked to contact the Parish Office. A preparation course is required.

Reconciliation (Confession)

Every Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 pm
or by appointment.

Marriage

Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

Visitation of the Sick

If any member of your family is sick at home or in the hospital, please call and let us know.

Welcome to St. Gregory's

We warmly welcome **NEW PARISHIONERS** to our parish. You are asked to register by completing a registration form, located in the entrance or by calling the Parish Office.

As Matthew tells the parable about the murderous tenants of a vineyard, it becomes in a transparent way the story of Jesus himself. The landowner is God and the evil tenants are the chief priests and elders whom Jesus is addressing. The servants sent to collect the produce are the prophets, who were maltreated or even killed by Israel's leaders. But what of the son? He too is killed, outside the wall (as Jesus was executed on a hill outside Jerusalem). When Jesus questions his adversaries, they foretell their own downfall and the transfer of God's favour to others. The scripture verses cited point to the wonderful fact that our salvation came through the beloved Son even though he was rejected. The final verse reminds us that we must accept God's messengers and do God's will or be declared unproductive; that was God's verdict about his cherished vineyard in the first reading. We are God's vineyard, and we must produce fruit. Taking Paul's advice to pray and act virtuously will fill us with peace.



(Sunday Mass Book, p. 800)

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St. Gregory's Parish News

Intentions & Readings for week of October 5 - October 11 2020

Monday, October 5—No Scheduled Liturgy
Galatians 1.6-12/Luke 10.25-37

Tuesday, October 6—No Scheduled Liturgy
Galatians 1.13-24/Luke 10.38-42

Wednesday, October 7—No Scheduled Liturgy
Our Lady of the Rosary
Galatians 2.1-2, 7-14/Luke 11.1-4

Thursday, October 8—No Scheduled Liturgy
Galatians 3.1-5/Luke 11.5-13

Friday, October 9—No Scheduled Liturgy
Galatians 3.6-14/Luke 11.15-26

Saturday, October 10—4:30 p.m.
Galatians 3.22-29/Luke 11.27-28
Bruno & Maria Gallo—Joe, Maria, Sergio & family
Giovanni Iacoe & all deceased family members
-Wife Maria & family
Doug Pipoli—Eva Piromalli

Sunday, October 11—9:00 a.m.
*Isaiah 25.6-10a/Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20/
Matthew 22.1-14*
Intentions of Parishioners
—Father Trevor Scarfone

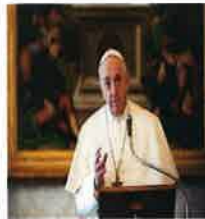
Sunday, October 11—11:00 a.m.
Mirella Schug—Mom
Carmelina Trozzo—Monica Brown
Dulio Finateri—Wife & family

**St. Gregory's mass streaming
on YouTube,
our parish website
and Facebook page.**

Finance Report

Envelopes Brought In	\$2,491.00
Building Fund	\$125.00
Weekly Average (PADP)	\$372.00
TOTAL	\$2,988.00
Needs of Cdn. Church	\$262.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY
DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES!!!**



The Holy Father's
Prayer Intention for October...

We pray so that breath of the Holy
Spirit engenders a new missionary
spring in the Church.

Parish Activities for the Week

October 5—October 11

Monday 5	No Scheduled Events
Tuesday 6	No Scheduled Events
Wednesday 7	No Scheduled Events
Thursday 8	No Scheduled Events
Friday 9	No Scheduled Events
Saturday 10	No Scheduled Events
Sunday 11	No Scheduled Events

Parish Happenings

Sunday Missals (2020-2021) have arrived! While maintaining Covid-19 protocols, please contact the office between Tuesday and Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm to purchase a copy. **Cost: \$5.00**



*We offer our condolences to the families of
Betty Bojko Aimee Lajoie*



*May you find comfort and peace in the
Eucharistic Celebration and in our faith
community during this difficult time.
May their souls rest in peace.*

Due to current circumstances surrounding the pandemic, the distribution of the Bulletin through weekend celebrations is suspended. It will not be handed out in an effort to maintain safety protocols. It will, however, remain online at

www.stgregoryssm.com

as well as our Facebook page,

[www.facebook.com/St. Gregory's Church.](https://www.facebook.com/St.Gregory's.Church)

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the bulletin, please do not hesitate to email the office at

[gregoryssm@shaw.ca.](mailto:gregoryssm@shaw.ca)

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATION PROGRAM

Thank you to the many parishioners who have started this program. This is an easy method of parish donation which will result in a win/win situation for you and our Parish. The forms are available at the entrance of the Church. Complete the P.A.D.P. form and deposit it in the collection basket. Please include a cheque marked "VOID". The program can be started at any time as long as we receive the form by the 10th of the previous month. If you have any questions, please call the Parish office. 705-949-8883

Thank you again for considering this convenient method of parish donation.

My Reflection from the aisle.....

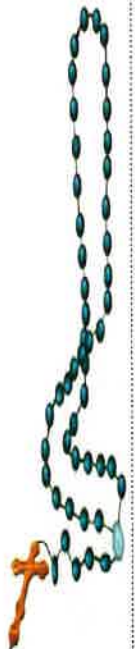
When we look at the rosary, it does not seem that impressive. All it really is, is a string of coloured beads, one bead in the middle of five groups of ten with a crucifix and a medallion. We have had our own experiences with the Rosary, those images of silently moving lips of women fingering the beads and the ones we see dangling from rear view mirrors. Though rosaries come in many different shapes, sizes and colours, they all amount to the same thing, a prayer to Mary. The rosary is the way we honour Mary. On October 7, we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The rosary is a story of the New Testament. The rosary sheds light on those important events in Jesus' and Mary's lives. The rosary enriches us as these particular beads give us more of an intimate richer understanding of Mary and Jesus.

We mediate on the life of Jesus from the moment of his conception by the Holy Spirit, through his childhood to his cruel death on the cross to the joy of the resurrection and his ascension into the glory of heaven. Through beads we follow Mary from the day the archangel Gabriel appeared to her and asked her to become the mother of Jesus to the day she was crowned Queen of Heaven.

When we pray the rosary and think of these stories which are hidden in the beads, we see Mary as our mother, as she reveals her Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and as our model, as she teaches us mercy, peace and justice. The essence of the Rosary is not the repetition of prayers but the mediation, and reflection on the mysteries, those events and scenes from the life of Mary and Jesus.

We all consider the rosary to be our faithful companion as we carry it in our pockets and purses. The rosary can bring us many blessings. It can be that powerful chain to assist us in our daily lives. Saint John Paul II stated, "Make the rosary that gentle chain linking us to heaven through Mary."

Many books have been written to assist us in praying the rosary. We need to be silent as we allow the words of the fifty-three Hail Mary's speak to us in prayer. Through praying, reflecting and meditating in the rosary, we remember Mary everyday of our lives. Then, it just does not become a string of coloured beads.



Family Page

Reread the parable of the farmer and his two sons in this week's gospel. Think about times when you have acted like the first son, promising God certain favors or prayers and then forgetting them as soon as your request has been granted; being Christian in word but not in deed. It's good to check yourselves out in this matter every so often.



Checklist for Christian Living

- 1 During Mass, are you courteous to those around you, making room for latecomers trying to get into your pew and extending a sincere sign of peace?

YES NO
- 2 When you leave Mass, do you greet your brothers and sisters in Christ with a smile and a pleasant greeting? Does your love for Jesus extend to the parking lot?

YES NO
- 3 Do you consider the gospel message during the day, thinking of ways to live Christ's words?

YES NO
- 4 Does grace at mealtime set a tone of mutual love — or are the words tossed off quickly and then lost in the chaos of bickering and complaining?

YES NO
- 5 When you have promised to pray for someone, do you always remember to do so?

YES NO



explaining GOD'S WORD

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) • Matthew 21:28-32 • September 27, 2020

Don't just say it...



Show it!



The Story of Two Sons

Jesus tells a story about a farmer with two sons. He asks both sons the same thing: "Go out and work in the vineyard today." The first says, "I am on my way, sir," just as politely as you please. But the second son replies, "I will not." Two sons, two different answers! What's the father to think?

Now see what happens next. The first son never went out to work in the vineyard at all. The second son, who told his father no, was sorry right away, and he went to work in the vineyard just as his father had asked.

"Which of the two did what the father wanted?" Jesus asked his listeners. "The second," they all answered — and, of course, they were right.

Many people say, "I believe in Jesus," or "I love God with all my heart." But they don't live as Jesus taught them; they don't love their neighbor or feed the hungry or visit the lonely or comfort the sick.



Others don't say much about God, but they know what Jesus wants. They help their neighbor all they can and share their things and visit the lonely and comfort the sick.

Which people would YOU say are doing what the Father asks?

Don't just say it, do it!

Jesus makes it very clear that what really matters is not what you say you are going to do but what you do. Here are some examples of children and their promises. Put a check mark in the box by those who are doing what God would want them to do.

Jimmy's mother asks Jimmy to clean his room. He says, "Yes, Mother," and gives her a big hug and goes right into his room.



John asks God for a favor. He promises to be good all week.



Linda and Joe are best friends. They promised to always be good friends.

