



# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT COMMUNITY

Bulletin, News, and Editorial

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Volunteers are needed.  
Practice is held on  
Wednesday.

## This Weeks Schedule

### Sun 4th Sunday of Lent - Lætare

19  
Open 7:15 am - 12  
Mass 8 am +Daniel Schuab  
10 am Parish

### Mon

20 St. Joseph, Spouse of Our Lady, C, 1cl - Transferred from March 19  
Open 11 am -1 pm  
Mass 12:10 pm Robideau Family

### Tue

21 St. Benedict, Ab F of Benedictines, +543, 3cl  
Open 5 - 7 pm  
Mass 6:30 pm +Beverly Rose Banker

### Wed

22  
Open 11 am -1 pm  
Mass 8 am +Pablo Ponce

### Thr

23  
Open 5 - 7 pm  
Mass 6:30 pm +Lloyd & Bernarda Littich

### Fri

24 St. Gabriel the Archangel, 3cl  
Open 7:30 - 11 am  
Mass 8 am +Mary & Peter Wagner

### Sat

25 Annunciation of our Lady, 1cl  
Open 8:30 - 11 am  
Mass 9 am + Joan Cook

### Sun Passion Sunday

26  
Open 7:15 am - 12  
Mass 8 am +Kathleen Miller  
10 am Parish

## Confessions

Confessions are available Monday - Saturday during open hours outside of Mass times.

You may also call to make an appointment outside of these times.

## Last Sunday's Collection

# Of Contributions 17 + Cash  
 Sunday Total \$ 2723.25  
 Capital Campaign \$ 180

**Thank You for your generosity**

### Meetings

Finance Council – May 9  
 Pastoral Council – May 9  
 Security Council –  
 Church Cleaning – April 8  
 Woman's Group – April 13  
 Men's Group – April 20  
 Schola Practice – Every Wednesday @ 6pm

## Parish News

### Ushers

Please remember to sign up in the back of church if you are interested in being an usher.

### Money Counters

I now have 3 people that I need. Can I get one more?

Counters count on the collection after the 10 am Mass on Sunday.

### Counters

#### Today

Ben Schneider  
 Connie Miller

#### Next Week

Jim Miller  
 Tom Schrauben

### Ushers

#### Today

8: Kevin Irrer  
 10: Patrick Lind

#### Next Week

8: Kevin Irrer  
 10: Patrick Lind

### Servers

#### Today

8: John  
 AJ  
 10: Anthony  
 Ben

#### Next Week

8: Eric  
 AJ  
 10: Joe  
 Leo

### Don't forget...

First Saturday Holy Hour after Mass.

Second Saturday we celebrate the Mass in honor of the SGTG Confraternity of our deceased.



**Sacramental Prep**

**Teen Ed**

Today

Y

Y

Next Week

Y

Y

**Latin Classes**

**Tuesday**

**Thursday**

This Week

Y

Y

Next Week

Y

Y

**Oh Lord, hear our prayers for our family and friends in need.**



Denise Ignatowski  
 Tim Copernoll  
 Amy Sobie  
 Rachelle Koenigs knecht  
 Ed Reichstetter  
 Melissa Dorbeck

**Please Pray for:**

JoAnn Brock  
 Hal Schneider  
 Timothy McLin  
 Rhoda Greenhoe  
 David Makara  
 Bob Wilson

Cozette Oxley

# News & Editorial

## The Sacred... The Secular... And Everything

### Catechism Class for Adults

I am thinking of running a 40 week catechism class for adults. I have a book picked out, it is 800 pages long. That means we would focus on 20 pages a week. Most should be able to handle that. It is only 3 pages a day.

As we would all have read the material (20 pages) for the week, I would not spend the time making a presentation. A little perhaps, but not a lot.

Rather, I would like to spend the time with you sharing what you learned new, what surprised you, what confused you.

I do not want to do this like so many bible studies where people give their interpretation and everyone's interpretation is considered correct and an interesting point of view.

No, this is about truth, God's truth as it has been guarded, preserved and handed down faithfully from generation to generation.

Even still, it is a helpful tool to see what others focused on as they read it, things that we may have missed. Or it may be interesting to find that some struggle with the same aspects of the Faith that I do. I am not alone.

I will be there with you to help sort it out and to fill in the gaps and keep the understanding that you bring in line with the faith.

There would be no charge for the class, but just the book (about \$50).

Please let me know if you may be interested.

If you are interested but would prefer a different format, let me know that too.

### Lenten Homework

Have you read your homework for Lent that I assigned to you? If not get to it.

Some told me that they have finished it and some read it in one sitting. That is great, but remember that the assignment had two parts. The first was to read the book. The second was to reflect and meditate on it for the duration of Lent.

It is a challenging little read. Not in the level of academic fortitude it takes, but in the spiritual fortitude it takes to not run home and cry to Mommy that it hurt your feelings or scared you.

Mean ol' Father, assigning such a thing!

Remember that it is not just me. Many saints recommended reflecting on hell and its torments daily. All the good books on spiritual direction always remind the director to teach their directees to do the same. The same for any good spiritual manual; it says to reflect on your death often.

Fortunately, all these same sources also remind us to reflect on the eternal reward of paradise if we live well.

We reflect on death, hell and punishment to inspire an appropriate amount of fear to dissuade us from evil and on death, heaven and eternal bliss to encourages us to do virtue.

You might remember last week, if you had not fallen asleep during the homily yet, when I said that I will have an assignment for you for the Easter season. Unfortunately that book is \$10, not \$2 like the lenten assignment.

God always come through. As it is, the books should be arriving soon due to the

generosity of someone. Be sure to say a prayer for them as this was very generous.

When Easter gets here, I will hand them out.

This book will focus on heaven and the joys that await us.

After mean ol' Father had you read that scary book that made you run to Mommy, this book will be like Mommy kissing the boo boo and making it all better. She will calm your fears, comfort you and give you great hope.

Today, Lætare Sunday, we remember that hope. We rejoice in our God who loves us and reminds us that the scary and difficult work Lent is worth it and that it is almost over. Only a few weeks left.

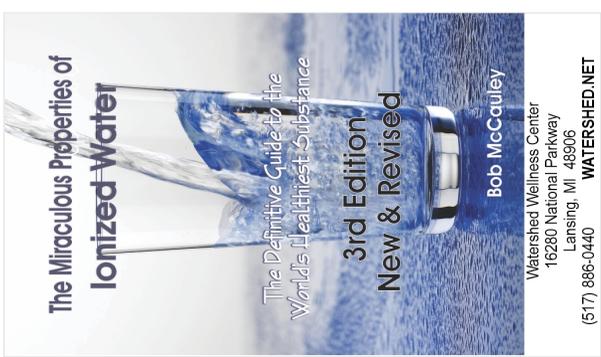
So relax and lætare (rejoice) today for tomorrow we go back to full fledged Lenten pain and suffering.

READ THE BOOK !!! And then reflect on it. Read it again if you have to. And don't stop reflecting on it. Do not lose heart, relief is on the way.

Much Love. Fr. Robideau

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