

St. Gregory Barbarigo Parish

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Third Sunday of Easter ~ April 26, 2020

Well today is the last Sunday of April – day 43 of the shut down, and as we know, it has been rough. We have 19 days until May 15, which is a Friday. As of yet, I have not received any instructions from the Chancery indicating when public Mass will resume – obviously I hope it is sooner than later. When we come back – we will have some adjustments, particularly in terms of the Liturgy. In November, we discontinued distribution of the Precious Blood at Communion time to diminish the spread of the flu. Initially, we were going to resume distribution from the chalice on March 21, with the arrival of spring. We never reached March 21 because public Mass stopped on March 15. With the arrival of the Coronavirus pandemic, and the possibility that it will resurface in the fall, we will not be resuming Communion from the chalice. Not only is there the possibility of becoming sick from drinking from the same vessel, but another hazard is that many people handle the same chalice. So if someone is sick and he or she holds the cup, than everyone afterward has the possibility of experiencing the spread as the cup passes from one parishioner to the next.

The second change pertains to the Kiss of Peace. During Communion time, after the Lamb of God, the priest typically says: “The Peace of the Lord be with you always” and we respond, “and with your spirit.” Then: “let us offer each other the sign of peace.” and we shake hands. The hand shake is actually an option, and in fact the Cathedral stopped the handshake in March. Obviously shaking hands is not in accord with our new “social distancing” and can be a means of spreading the virus or other sicknesses. With that in mind, the kiss of peace will no longer be included. In one respect, these changes can be disconcerting, but these changes are necessary to ensure the well being parishioners and it likely that similar measures will be carried out in other parishes as well.

These are changes which will be implemented when we are together again, but for the moment we will continue to pray together via the parish web site and facebook page. Sometimes there are technical difficulties, but please be patient, a few times we have started a little bit late, but we always get things rolling eventually.

I'VE GONE TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU: Please remember our recently deceased Nicholas Guerra, Patty Jones, Mary (May) Houlihan, Norma Stagnari, Pat Diaferia and all the souls for whom Mass will be offered:

MONDAY, APRIL 27

Easter Weekday

9:00 AM Richie Coyne

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

Easter Weekday/Saint Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr; Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest

9:00 AM Camille Dunn

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM John Donovan

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

Easter Weekday/Saint Pius V, Pope

9:00 AM Anthony DeSena

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 1

Easter Weekday/Saint Joseph the Worker

9:00 AM William O'Brien

SATURDAY, MAY 2

Saint Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM Nora Fitzpatrick

5:30 PM Joseph O'Connor

SUNDAY, MAY 3

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 AM Scott Natale

9:30 AM The Valvo Family

11:30 AM For the People of St. Gregory Barbarigo



On May 1, First Friday, we will celebrate a Holy Hour via Facebook, and being the month of May we will have the opportunity to pray the rosary together. The Holy Hour will be our usual time – 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Finally – thanks are extended to all our parishioners who continue to send in collection envelopes or assist by WeShare electronic giving. Support of the parish is what keeps our doors open and our lights on. 19 more days of this and hopefully we can plan be together again.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Joseph



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



Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts,
by the power of God, cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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

STEWARDSHIP IS A WAY OF LIFE

~ GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING ~

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

Last Sunday (4/19/20) envelopes.....\$5,079.00

We Share \$2,861.00

Total Weekly \$7,940.00

A Year Ago (2nd Sunday of Easter).....\$12,903.54

Easter Sunday (to date) \$21,524.00

Easter Sunday last year 2019 \$38,536.50

GIFT CARD PURCHASES

Total purchases of \$2,305

5% commission to the parish \$115.25



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.



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.