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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Gregory—Our Lady of Fatima Parish

316 S. Peach Ave., Hart, MI 49420

Parish Office: 231-873-2660 | Fax: 231-873-4823

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Office Hours: 9:30am — 4:00pm | Tuesday — Thursday

BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY: 11 Washington St. | Hart, MI

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 pm	STG	English
Sunday	9:30 am	STG	English
Sunday	11:30 am	STG	Spanish

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday	6:00 pm	STG
Friday	9:45 am	STG
Saturday	4:00 pm	STG

Anytime by appointment, contact Fr. Dan

BAPTISM / ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the parish office

Tuesday	5:15 pm	STG
Thursday	9:00 am	STG
Friday	9:00 am	STG

Contact the parish office at least 6 months before.

From the Schumaker's Bench

The Feast of St. Gregory is quickly approaching, and so, in order to prepare ourselves to celebrate with great joy, fervor, and excitement, I invite all to join me in praying the Novena of St. Gregory the Great. Praying novenas was a popular devotion and still remains one today. However, many people misunderstand the nature of these prayers and how they fit into Catholic Spirituality. The following is a series of questions and answers about the practice of praying a novena from praymorenovenas.com.

What is a Novena?

The word novena is taken from "novem," the Latin word for nine. A novena is made up of nine days of prayer and meditation usually to ask God for special prayer requests or petitions. Novenas are often used to ask specific saints to pray for us. The Saint Jude Novena, for example, is prayed to ask Saint Jude to intercede on behalf of a request that seems especially dire.

Novenas are an ancient tradition that goes back to the days of the Apostles. Jesus told His disciples to pray together after His ascension into heaven, so they went to an upper room along with the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Acts 1:14) and joined constantly in prayer for nine days. These nine days of constant prayer by the Apostles at the direction of Jesus led up to Pentecost. This is when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples as "tongues of fire" (Acts 2:1-4). This pattern of 9 days of prayer is the basis the novenas we pray today.

Thus, the novena is an imitation of the Lord's command to the Apostles when they prayed for 9 days in anticipation of the coming of the Holy Spirit.

How do I pray a Novena?

If you sign up here, we will send you the announcement for each novena, a reminder, and the daily prayers for the 9 days of the novena. We will also send you an e-mail on the feast day or last day of the novena, as well as share answered prayers with you from other people in the community.



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St. Gregory—Our Lady of Fatima
is a parish of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Weekly Collection

August 11, 2020	
Envelopes (52)	\$1,848.00
Loose	\$875.00
Total	\$2,723.00

Readers

August 29 & 30, 2020

5:00 pm	Linda Foster Patty Campbell
9:30 am	Paul Inglis Walter Carrier
11:30 am	Raquel Ramirez



BISHOP DAVID J.
WALKOWIAK
ASKS US TO
**PRAY FOR OUR
SEMINARIANS**

Lord Jesus,
your Mother Mary
continues to shine as one
who fully responded to
God's call. May young
people throughout the
world be graced to follow
her example of doing
God's will in their lives.
Help them understand the
joy that comes from
serving God and others.
Amen



**Pray for:
David J. Sacha**

University of St. Mary of the Lake/
Mundelein Seminary
1000 East Maple Ave.
Mundelein, IL 60060

Parish Calendar | August 24 – 30, 2020

Monday, August 24

Tuesday, August 25

4:00 - 5:00 pm	STG	Adoration
5:15 pm	STG	Mass
6:00 - 6:45 pm	STG	Confessions in Church

Wednesday, August 26

3:00 - 5:00 pm	11 Wash.	Bread of Life Food Pantry OPEN
6:00 - 7:00 pm	STG	All Catechist and Volunteers Meeting

Thursday, August 27

7:30 - 8:45 am	STG	Adoration
9:00 am	STG	Mass

Friday, August 28

7:30 - 8:45 am	STG	Adoration
9:00 am	STG	Mass
9:45 - 10:30 am	STG	Confessions in Church

Saturday, August 29

4:00 - 4:45 pm	STG	Confessions in Church (St. Gregory)
5:00 pm	STG	Mass Richard Setlak

Sunday, August 30

9:30 am	STG	Mass Agnes Koxk
11:30 am	STG	Mass Parish Family

(The Schumaker's Bench continued...)

All you need to do is to say the daily prayers with a sincere heart. It is not necessary to pray at the same time every day (although you can), or to fast, or to pray the rosary in addition to the novena; however, you can still do all of these things in addition to praying, but they are not required. If they are, we will tell you in our e-mails.

Novenas should not be seen as magical incantations that guarantee desired results. God controls the universe and we certainly do not control God. He is not a genie in a bottle, but rather He is a loving Father in heaven. This means that whatever good intentions we pray for, we must accept the fact that God knows what's best for us, whether we understand His divine intention or not. "Thy will be done" is the proper posture of all Christian prayer. Any so-called novena prayer circulating around that contains guaranteed results, and threatening misfortune for those who fail to devote themselves to it is merely a chain-letter; these should be ignored.

Nonetheless, Jesus reminds us in the Gospel to be persistent in prayer and a novena is a great aid in doing just that!

What if I miss a day?

That's okay, it happens! If you miss a day, you can do one of a few things...

You can either: 1) skip the day you missed altogether, 2) say two of the daily prayers in one day to catch up, or 3) say the prayer of the day you missed and just be one day behind everybody else. It's up to you, and whatever you choose to do is okay. There are no "rules" and there are no "consequences." God is forgiving and merciful!

Should I have the same intention for all 9 days, or should I have a different intention for each day?

You can do either one. What matters most is how you come to the Lord with that intention — with a sincere heart that is open to God's will.

Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/how-to-pray-a-novena>

Sign up for daily email reminders at our www.stgregoryathart.org or at www.facebook.com/STGREG.OLF



FAITH FORMATION

COMING THIS FALL!

We will be offering **Confirmation classes for High School students and Adults**. Did you know that all Baptismal and Confirmation sponsors/padrinos must be Confirmed? Likewise, those who want Quinceañeras with a church ceremony. If you are interested in preparing for this sacrament, please contact Linda or Fr. Dan to sign up.

We have also had interest from several people wanting to become Catholic! This is **FANTASTIC**, so we plan to add **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** to our schedule. Do you know someone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? If so, call Fr. Dan or Linda and we will be happy to invite them to the program.

We also need volunteers for hospitality, catechists, and sponsors!

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES: Our Faith Formation classes will begin the second week in October! We will be following the same Covid-19 protocol as the public schools. Class rooms will be sanitized, each student will have their own book, paper, crayons, etc. Masks required for 5th grade and up. One of the biggest changes to note is:

ALL WEDNESDAY CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT

OUR LADY OF FATIMA, 6-7:30 P.M.

As St. Gregory's Parish Center will be in the midst of renovation.

MONDAY NIGHT CLASSES WILL STILL MEET AT ST. GREGORY, 6-7:30 P.M.

Be sure you check our website <https://stgregoryathart.org/> for further updates. We have chosen a plan to have families meet the first Monday and Wednesday of each month for instruction, and lessons for the rest of the month will be done at home, and returned at the following monthly meeting.

More details are to come!

POINTS OF INTEREST

† **BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY:** Wednesday 3pm-5pm. Canned or packaged food items as well as personal products such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, etc. are all needed. Feel free to leave these items at St Gregory's Church in the vestibule or Our Lady of Fatima Church. There is a container for them at each.

† **DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY 2020:** *Encounter* on Saturday, September 26, 8:30 a.m. - 3 pm. Please save the date! This event will be livestreamed from Cathedral Square Center to host sites throughout the diocese. The entire Diocesan Assembly will be presented in both English and Spanish. It will also be available to individuals who wish to participate from their home.

† **For all Catechist and Volunteers:** There will be a meeting on Wednesday, August 26 at 6 pm at St. Gregory . A Prepared box dinner will be provided.

† **ANIMAL PARADE at Oceana County Medical Care Facility:** Friday, August 28 at 10 am. We welcome all animals that are able to be outside and walk around the outside of the building. We will be abiding by COVID guidelines and staying 6' from each other while outside and wearing masks. "People" friendly, well behaved and well groomed animals are welcome to join! For more details contact Heather at 873-6618.

So Faith May Flourish - Catholic Services Appeal

Goal: \$33,163
Pledged: \$ 8,150
Needed \$25,013



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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Anthony Aerts, Bryan Cramer, Oralia Davila, Richard Davila, Juanita Jaramillo, Annalee Avery, Brenda Carr, David Adamczyk, Gaye Adamczyk, Xavier Setlak, Richard Merten, Amanda Merten, Frances Aguilar, David Jensen, Alice Cunningham, Veronica Cantu, Maria Juan, Sharon Bowen, Guillermo Fraga Salinas, Harper Liembach, Julie Strait, Ralph Johanson, Shelley Carter, Sylvia Gonzalez, Virginia Delgado, Tammy Taylor, Jane Thocher, Edna Schumaker, Marsha Mahynski, Terry Simmons, Francisco Javier Lopez