

“St. Gregory the Great Church and School—Where Everybody is Somebody.”



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

San Gregorio Magno Iglesia Católica y Escuela

WELCOME! / BIENVENIDOS!

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES/
HORARIO MISAS DEL FIN DE SEMANA**

Saturday 5:30pm Vigil
Sunday 8:00am
10:00am
12:00pm Español
4:00 pm

DAILY MASS TIMES/MISA DIARIA

Monday - Friday: 8:15am
(Jueves Español) - In the Adoration Chapel
Fridays Mass is held in the Church with the School

CONFESSIONS/ CONFESIÓN

5:00pm - 7:00pm Fridays
Saturdays 4:00pm-5:00pm (Before Vigil Mass)
Third Monday of Each Month: 5:00pm-6:00pm
(*In the Church or by appointment*)

ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday - Thursday -7:00am - 9:00pm
Friday-7:00am-4:00pm
5:00pm-7:00pm-Adoration resumes in the Church
Saturday - 9:00am-4:00pm
4:00pm-5:00pm -Adoration resumes in the Church

CLERGY

Fr. Richard Samour -Pastor ext. 312
padrerichard@stgregorys.net
Deacons: Carlos Cerna; John Treviño, Fred Campos
Jr. Choon-Bernard Chan, Joe López (retired)

CHURCH STAFF

Office Manager: Ezekiel O'Campo. Ext. 321
Parish Secretary: Martha Guajardo. Ext. 300
Faith Formation Director: Gloria Silva. Ext. 333
Bookkeeper: Noelia Saavedra
Custodian: Martita Tamayo

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Ana Cortez
Ana.cortez@stgregorys.net
(210) 342-0281 Ext. 368

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00am - 12:30pm
1:30pm - 5:00pm

*Closed Holy Days of Obligation,
Holidays, and Festive Days.*

Check our website for more information

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & LAST RITES

Fr. Richard - 210-342-5271 Ext. 312
Call the office as soon your loved one is
admitted to the hospital.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Call the office six months prior to your wedding day.

BAPTISM, FUNERALS & HOMEBOUND

(210) 342-5271

NOVEMBER 23 & 24, 2025—FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

23 & 24 DE NOVIEMBRE 2025— FIESTA DE CRISTO REY



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ST. GREGORY SCHOOL: School Office Hours 7:30am– 4:30pm

Phone: 210-342-0281



MASS INTENTIONS/ INTENCIONES

Saturday Nov 22—5:30pm Mass

† Guadalupe Ozuna
 † Alex V. Guajardo
 Special Intention for Tommy Rodriguez
 Divine Mercy Cenacle

Sunday Nov 23— 8:00 Mass

† Joyce Arce
 † Sr. Helena Monahan CCVI
 † Cruz Arizmendi, Jr.
 Deceased members of the Davis & Freeman Families

10:00am Mass

† Arthur Carvajal
 Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Special Intention for Maggie & Elizabeth Flores
 Guadalupana Society

12:00pm - Misa en Español

† Haydee Davila Arevalo
 Almas Santas en el Purgatorio
 Misa Pro Populo

4:00pm Mass

For the Youth of St. Gregory the Great

Monday Nov 24—8:15 Mass - Liturgy of the Hours

Special Intention for Jose & Penny Flores
 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday Nov 25—8:15 Mass - Liturgy of the Hours

† Eugenia Ybarbo
 Holy Souls in Purgatory
 Special Intention for Albert Velasquez & Family

Wednesday Nov 26

Morning Mass is cancelled

6:30 PM Thanks Giving Vigil Mass

† Claudio M. Maldonado, Jr.
 † Louis Martinez
 Special Intention for Pedro Macias & Family

Thursday Nov 27—9:00 AM

Misa de 8:15am está cancelada

Thanks Giving Day Bilingual Mass

Intencion Especial para Santiago Solis—Birthday
 Vocaciones a la vida Religiosa y al Sacerdocio

Friday Nov 28- 8:15 Mass

† Raul Contreras
 † Rudy & Vickie Terrazas
 Special Intention for Azucena & Penny Flores
 Holy Souls in Purgatory

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

HOURS OF ADORATION

Monday through Thursday 7:00 am—9:00 pm
 Friday—7:00am—4:00pm; 5:00p m—7:00pm—in the Church
 Saturday — 9:00am—4:00pm; 4:00pm-5:00pm at Church



PARISH STEWARDSHIP/ MAYORDOMÍA DE LA COMUNIDAD NOVEMBER 15 & 16 / 15 Y 16 DE NOVIEMBRE 2025

MASS	ATTENDANCE	OFFERING	2nd Offering Campaign Hmn Dev \$790.00
5:30 PM	118	\$1,297.00	
8:00 AM	126	\$1,475.00	Online Giving \$855.00
10:00 AM	229	\$1,494.00	
12:00 PM	172	\$1,416.00	Mail-ins \$720.00
TOTAL	645	\$5,682.00	GRACIAS A TODOS

Thank you for your generosity, support, and love to our parish and school. May God Bless you!!!

READINGS FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2025 LAST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY	Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4 (Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Memorial)
TUESDAY	Daniel 2:31-45; Luke 21:5-11 <i>[Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr]</i>
WEDNESDAY	Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19
THURSDAY	THANKSGIVING DAY Daniel 6:12-28; Luke 21:20-28
FRIDAY	Daniel 7:2-14; Luke 21:29-33
SATURDAY	Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36
SUNDAY	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Mathew 24:37-44

MINISTRY MEETINGS

Monday, November 24

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm - Young Adults Thanksgiving Gathering - Mary's House

Tuesday, November 25

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - OCIA en Español - Mtg Rm# 2

Wednesday, November 26

Parish Office will Close at 12:30

6:00 pm - Rosary

6:30 pm - **Thanks Giving Vigil Mass**

Thursday, November 27

Parish Office Closed

8:30 am - Rosario

9:00 am - Bilingual **Thanks Giving Mass**

Friday, November 28

Parish Office Closed

4:00 pm - 6:30 pm - Adoration - Church

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Confessions - Church

Saturday, November 29

7:30 am - 9:00 am - Fishers of Men - StJ Rm

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - St. Vincent De Paul Pantry - Mary's House

CLERGY MEDITATION BY DEACON FRED CAMPOS



We come to the end of another year in the life of the Church. The calendar will turn again, as it always does, but this Sunday asks a deeper question: what kind of world are we becoming? We have watched power change hands, leaders rise and fade, nations argue, and families divide. Yet the Gospel insists there is still another kind of

reign—one not measured by victory or possession, but by mercy. In today's Gospel Lesson we see that truth fulfilled. Christ the King reigns not from a marble throne but from a cross made of splintered beams. In His kingdom, power is redefined— not as the ability to command or to conquer, but as the willingness to forgive. Jesus is nailed between two criminals, mocked by soldiers and spectators, offering mercy to the very ones who crucified Him. "Father, forgive them," He says. And to the thief who turns toward Him in faith, He promises, "Today you will be with me in paradise" (Lk 23:34,43). We often imagine kingship as control, as command from above. But the kingship of Christ is the opposite: a sovereignty of surrender. His authority is rooted not in fear but in freedom—the freedom of love that can never be coerced. Where Caesar ruled by decree, Christ rules by invitation. Where the powers of this world defend themselves with walls and weapons, He extends His arms in welcome. His is not a rule imposed upon us but a mercy offered to us. We live much of our lives as rough drafts—pages filled with good intentions and crossed-out lines, sentences that trail off, and paragraphs that never quite find their purpose. Yet the Gospel tells us that God keeps writing. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead now breathes through every broken chapter of our lives, editing our fear into faith, our failure into grace, our endings into new beginnings. It is the most royal act imaginable—to rewrite the story of humanity not with vengeance, but with mercy. The King who rules by love is also the Author who edits with compassion. Christ reigns not by demanding allegiance but by offering love. His power is not domination but invitation. His crown is not jeweled but blood-stained and merciful. He is the King who rules from within us, not above us; who does not crush our weakness but enters it; who answers our fears not with punishment but with peace. In the end, and in every ending that becomes a new beginning, mercy always has the last word. But for that word to be made real, it must be spoken through us—received in humility, lived with courage, and offered without condition. For when mercy becomes the language of our lives, the reign of Christ is not only proclaimed—it is revealed.

THE ARCHBISHOP MEDITATION



The Word of God speaks to us of a banquet — the joyful image of God's Kingdom, where all are invited to share in His love. Yet those who are closest to the man giving the great dinner underestimate its value. This reveals the danger of believing that we have no need of God's mercy. It is easy to find excuses, to be too busy, too distracted, or too self-sufficient to

accept the invitation to redemption. The Lord calls, but sometimes our hearts are filled with self-reliance. In the Body of Christ, no one is useless, and no one is alone. When we live united to Christ, we discover that our gifts — whatever they are — exist for others. We grow mature in faith when we use them with simplicity and love. The Christian who isolates himself or feels superior breaks the harmony of the Body; the Christian who humbly serves and acknowledges his own need for the contributions of others builds up the Body and fills it with life. God's dream is a full house, a Church where everyone has a place. The Eucharist we celebrate is the foretaste of that banquet. Here, the Lord Jesus feeds us with His Body so that we may become one Body, healed of our divisions and strengthened for mission. The joy of the Gospel grows when it is shared; it withers when it is kept to oneself. Let us, then, be servants who go out joyfully, inviting others to the feast of faith.



THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 26 - 6:30pm - English Mass. (Rosary Before)

Thursday, November 27 - 9:00am Bilingual Mass. (Rosary Before)

Morning Masses 8:15am are cancelled

NEW MASS NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH AT 4:00 PM

SPREAD THE WORD...
BE OUR BEST MICROPHONE!

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30
4:00 PM—MASS
3:30 PM—ROSARY
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



We need volunteers to serve as Lectors, EMHC, Ushers, Altar Servers, and Sacristans... Please contact the office if you feel called to serve.

PARISH MISSION AND ADVENT RECONCILIATION.



MISSION TALK BY
DCN. JOHN TREVINO

ADVENT
RECONCILIATION
SERVICE 6 PRIESTS

Parish Advent Reconciliation Service

Reconciliación de Adviento

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15—CHURCH—6:00PM
SPIRITUAL TALK, ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION

Advent reconciliation is a profound opportunity for spiritual growth and renewal. It encourages the faithful to seek forgiveness, reflect on their lives, and prepare their hearts for the coming of Christ.

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT'S PARISH AND SCHOOL LIFE

ALTAR SOCIETY—ARTS AND CRAFT REPORT

CONGRATULATIONS

the Altar Society Raffle Winners

Rebecca Garza - \$1000 Gift Card

Dewey - \$500 Gift Card

Margaret Mortis - \$400 Gift Card

Bea Rodriguez - Michael Kors Purse & Earrings

Danny Molina - Holiday Liquor Wagon

Miguel Hernandez - Steve McGinty Painting

ARTS AND CRAFT REPORT 2025

Baked Goods \$1,693.00

Concessions \$722.00

Desk Sales (cash/checks) \$2,335.00

Credit Card (Silent Auction and Merchandise) \$5,873.54

Raffle Ticket Sales \$4,670.00

Donation \$50.00

Raffle Prize Donations \$2,110.00

Silent Auction (cash/check sales) \$1,490.00

**SILENT AUCTION TOTAL SALE
(CREDIT CARD/CASH/CHECKS)
\$3,715.00**

EXPENSES

Cleaning of Hall (after Arts and Craft) \$200.00

Raffle Ticket Printing (4500 tickets) \$475.50

Dixie Flag Changes \$399.00

Raffle Gift Cards \$1900 \$1,927.33

Total Expenses \$3,001.83

TOTAL REVENUE \$18,943.54

EXPENSES \$3,001.83

TOTAL PROFIT \$15,941.71

ST. GREGORY ALTAR SOCIETY
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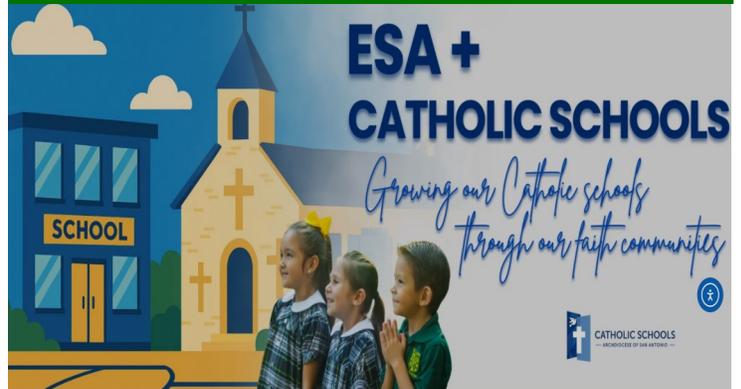
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IN MEMORY OF/ EN MEMORIA DE
\$20 PER POINSETTIA

Nov. 29/30 and Dec. 13/14 after all the Masses

Sometimes in our efforts to move forward in life, we get stuck. We seem to be unable to move from where we are to where we'd rather be. The season of Advent, which marks the beginning of a new Church year, is an opportunity to begin anew and to get unstuck ... Advent it is a time of family reconciliation, meditation, confession and communion

EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT



A New Door is Opening for Catholic Families. Discover how Texas Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) can help your family choose a Catholic Education. Thanks to Senate Bill 2, the State of Texas will soon offer Education Savings Accounts (ESAs)—public funds that help families cover private school tuition and educational expenses. With \$1 billion in ESA funding available for the 2026-2027 school year, now is the time to prepare to take the next step in your child's education and faith journey.

BINGO WINNERS—CONGRATULATIONS



Gracias!!!

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Feast of
**OUR LADY OF
 GUADALUPE**

Friday, December 12

5:30 am - Mariachi
 Serenata a la Virgen
 6:00 am - Rosary
 6:30 am Bilingual Mass

6 pm Rosario seguido de Misa
 6:30 pm Bilingual Mass

Potluck after the Mass
 Parish Hall




At StG, we're more than a school—we're a family. We had a blast celebrating Friendsgiving this past week with love, laughter, and lots of gratitude! This season, we give thanks for faith, family, and the gift of Catholic education. Our school is a community where children learn with purpose, grow in faith, and serve with joy. Teachers see their work as a vocation, forming both minds and hearts in Christ. With the new Texas Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) on the horizon, Catholic education is now within reach for many families who once thought it impossible. These programs, together with Hope for the Future, will open doors for more children to experience an education rooted in faith, hope, and excellence. **Learn more about how Catholic schools are transforming lives across South Texas: archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa**

Our faithful catechists at our meeting, thank you for your continued service to children and teens in our community. Youth helping at our Bingo concessions. OCIA Rite of Welcoming



Join us Sunday, For Teen Mass
 December 14 at 4:00pm
 3:30pm Prayer of the Rosary. After Mass
 let us have fun and Refreshments...
 All parents are welcome to help



**CHURCH BINGO AND BBQ
 Church BBQ and
 Bingo!!!. Thank you
 all who participated
 and supported our
 Church. May God
 Bless you**



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT
 CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Christmas Pop-Up Market

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 13 | 10AM - 3 PM

709 BERYL STREET

Contact Hope Rodriguez
 (210) 342-0281 ext 326




ST. GREGORY THE GREAT'S PARISH AND SCHOOL LIFE

ADVENT RECOLLECTION-EVERYBODY IS WELCOME



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS BINGO

Join us for a festive afternoon of fun at our Christmas Bingo! Celebrate the holiday season with great prizes, cheerful company, and a chance to win big.

14 DEC 2025 **TICKET \$15**

\$15 for 15 games
\$50 for 4 cards
\$50 gift card prizes
Specials- 2 for \$5

Doors open at 12:30pm; Bingo 1:30pm
709 Beryl Street San Antonio, TX 78213

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE OR IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE

THANKSGIVING STORY



The story of Thanksgiving says that the Indians met and helped the colonists in April, 1621. They gave the colonists food and taught them how to plant corn and catch fish. Slowly, life became better for the colonists. During the summer, they built houses and grew food to eat in the winter. They knew

how to hunt and fish. The colonists were very thankful, and invited the Wampanoag to a celebration in the fall. Now, every year in the United States, many people celebrate this day as Thanksgiving .

Most historians agree that 50 Pilgrims came together for a 3-day harvest celebration and feast in 1621. They probably ate vegetables, seafood and maybe a duck or goose. We don't know if the Indians were actually invited to the feast. The arrival of Europeans on this continent brought many hardships to Native Americans. At first, many native people welcomed the colonists. But over time, the native people suffered a lot. They lost their land, some became slaves, and millions died from European diseases. For this reason, some native people don't celebrate Thanksgiving. Sharing and giving thanks are an important part of native culture and ceremonies of thanksgiving happen many times during the year. It isn't surprising that some Native Americans choose not to give thanks on a holiday that represents sadness and loss .

DISCOVER CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Discover Catholic Schools Week



Open House

November 17-20, 2025

9:00 am - 11:00 am

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

700 Dewhurst Rd. San Antonio, TX 78213



WHAT TO EXPECT:

- ✔ Meet the Teachers
- ✔ Learn about our campus curriculum
- ✔ Tour campus facilities
- ✔ Explore athletics and extra-curricular activities
- ✔ Learn about ESA's and Hope for the Future Tuition Assistance



ESA + CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
Growing our Catholic schools through our faith communities

LET US CELEBRATE LAS POSADAS!!! A NINE DAYS FEAST (NOVENA) OF THE CHURCH. DEC. 16-24 LAS POSADAS IS A SPANISH WORD THAT MEANS INN.

Las Posadas commemorates the journey of Joseph and Mary looking for a place to spend the night at the time Jesus was born., tradition includes the prayer of the Holy Rosary and a Gospel meditation. For nine days before Christmas (Novena), people repeat the celebration. Through prayers and drama people experience the taste of sadness of not finding a place to stay. They also experience the happiness to have a newborn king of kings. In this way they relive the nativity of the Lord.



MORE INFORMATION SOON!!!

BIENVENIDOS A LA VIDA PARROQUIAL DE SAN GREGORIO MAGNO SECCIÓN EN ESPAÑOL

CELEBREMOS A LA MORENITA

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MISIÓN Y SERVICIO DE RECONCILIACIÓN DE ADVIENTO.

Lunes 15 de Diciembre

6:00pm Meditación por el

Díacono John Treviño

Seguido de Adoración y confesiones. 6

Sacerdotes disponibles



MISA DE ACCION DE GRACIAS



FELIZ DIA DE ACCION DE GRACIAS

Miércoles misa en Inglés a las 7:00pm en la Iglesia.

Jueves Misa en español a las 9:00am en la iglesia.

Las misas de Miércoles y Jueves por la mañana 8:15am
en el horario regular se cancelan.

LA ESQUINA DEL ARZOBISPO GUSTAVO



La Palabra de Dios nos habla de un banquete — la imagen alegre del Reino de Dios, donde todos están invitados a compartir Su amor. Sin embargo, quienes están más cerca del hombre que da la gran cena subestiman su valor. Esto revela el peligro de creer que no necesitamos la misericordia de Dios. Es fácil encontrar excusas, estar demasiado ocupado, demasiado distraído o demasiado autosuficiente para aceptar la invitación a la

redención. El Señor llama, pero a veces nuestros corazones están llenos de autosuficiencia. En el Cuerpo de Cristo, nadie es inútil y nadie está solo. Cuando vivimos unidos a Cristo, descubrimos que nuestros dones —sean cuales sean— existen para los demás. Maduramos en la fe cuando los usamos con sencillez y amor. El cristiano que se aísla o se siente superior rompe la armonía del Cuerpo; el cristiano que sirve humildemente y reconoce su propia necesidad de las contribuciones de los demás edifica el Cuerpo y lo llena de vida. El sueño de Dios es una casa llena, una Iglesia donde cada uno tenga su lugar. La Eucaristía que celebramos es el anticipo de ese banquete. Aquí, el Señor Jesús nos alimenta con Su Cuerpo para que podamos ser un solo Cuerpo, sanados de nuestras divisiones y fortalecidos para la misión. La alegría del Evangelio crece cuando se comparte; se marchita cuando se guarda para uno mismo. Seamos, entonces, siervos que salimos con alegría, invitando a otros a la fiesta de la fe.

MEDITACIÓN POR EL DÍA CONO FRED



Llegamos al final de otro año en la vida de la Iglesia. El calendario volverá a girar, como siempre, pero este domingo plantea una pregunta más profunda: ¿en qué clase de mundo nos estamos convirtiendo? Hemos visto cómo el poder cambia de manos, líderes suben y se

desvanecen, naciones discuten y familias se dividen. Sin embargo, el Evangelio insiste en que aún existe otro tipo de reinado—uno que no se mide por la victoria o la posesión, sino por la misericordia. En la lección del Evangelio de hoy vemos que esa verdad se cumple. Cristo Rey no reina desde un trono de mármol, sino desde una cruz hecha de vigas astilladas. En Su reino, el poder se redefine— no como la capacidad de mandar o conquistar, sino como la disposición a perdonar. Jesús es clavado entre dos criminales, ridiculizado por soldados y espectadores, ofreciendo misericordia a aquellos mismos que le crucificaron. "Padre, perdónalos", dice. Y al ladrón que se vuelve hacia Él en fe, promete: "Hoy estaréis conmigo en el paraíso" (Lc 23:34,43). Cristo reina no exigiendo lealtad, sino ofreciendo amor. Su poder no es la dominación sino la invitación. Su corona no está engastada en joyas, sino manchada de sangre y misericordiosa. Él es el Rey que gobierna desde dentro de nosotros, no desde arriba; que no aplasta nuestra debilidad sino que entra en ella; que responde a nuestros temores no con castigo, sino con paz. Al final, y en todo final que se convierte en un nuevo comienzo, la misericordia siempre tiene la última palabra. Pero para que esa palabra se haga realidad, debe ser pronunciada a través de nosotros—recibida con humildad, vivida con valentía y ofrecida sin condiciones. Porque cuando la misericordia se convierte en el lenguaje de nuestras vidas, el reinado de Cristo no solo se proclama, sino que se revela.