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PARROQUIA DE SAN GREGORIO**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
XXVIII DOMINGO TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

October 13 ~ 13 de Octubre 2013



MASS SCHEDULE ~ LA MISA

Saturday	5:00 pm	OLF
Sunday	9:30 am	St. Gregory
Domingo	11:30 am	San Gregorio

RECONCILIATION

Saturday	4:00 pm	OLF
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 14-20 de Octubre

Mon/Lunes	G	Prayer Group	8:00-9:00 am
	OLF	Jr. High Religious Ed	6:30-8:00 pm
Wed/Miércoles	OLF	Catholicism Video Series	10:00 am
	G	Food Pantry/Dispensa de Comida	3-5:00 pm
	G	1-5 Faith Formation	3:30-4:45 pm
	G	6-7 Faith Formation	6-7:30 pm
	OLF	K-6 Religious Ed	6:15-7:45 pm
	G	Catholicism Video Series	6:30 pm
Thurs/Jueves	G	Bible Study	7:00 pm

LITURGY ~ LITURGIA

October 14-20 de Octubre

Tuesday/Martes

9:00 am G Mass

Thursday/Jueves

5:15 pm G Mass

Friday/Viernes

9:00 am OLF Mass

Saturday/Sabado

5:00 pm OLF Parish Family

Sunday/Domingo

9:30 am G Henry & Lillian Lehman

11:30 am G Familia Parroquiál



MINISTRY SCHEDULE/MINISTERIOS de la MISA

October 19-20 de Octubre

Ministers of the Word/Lectura

5:00 pm Andrea Bosse

9:30 am Pat Campbell

11:30 am Eduardo Méndez

Ministers of the Eucharist/Comunión

5:00 pm B Arends, D Wells, J Malbouef

9:30 am A Cunningham, H Schaner, D Hodson

11:30 am A Tudon, E DeBlas, L Ybarra

Altar Servers/Acolitos

5:00 pm K Inglis, M Inglis

9:30 am W Dold, D Dold

11:30 am E Cruz, A Martinez

Ministers of Hospitality/Bienvenida

9:30 am M Jastrzembski, V Griffen

11:30 am Olga Escamilla y Familia

Ushers/Colecta y Ofrendas

5:00 pm A Revilla, J Wade, D Zaverl, R Mather

9:30 am J Dennert, J Schaner, J Lamie, R Ulmstead

11:30 am José Rodríguez y Familia

SNOWBIRDS: Please help us keep in touch by contacting the parish office with your winter plans and contact information. We'll know to hold or forward your contribution envelopes, connect you to our web site (www.stgregoryathart.org) or mail you weekly bulletins, and contact you this winter as we update our parish census information. Call us at 873-2660, email parish@stgregoryathart.org, or drop us a note at 316 S Peach, Hart 49420. Have a safe, fun and warm winter!



WHAT IS CATHOLICISM? The third video in this five week series continues this week on Wednesday, Oct 16 at 10:00 am at OLF and 6:30 pm at St. Gregory. You are welcome for any or all weeks: 90 minutes of interesting viewing and discussion, as well as refreshments.



PRAYER GROUP: You are invited to join a prayer group at St. Gregory's Chapel on Mondays, 8-9:00 am. For more information call Teresa 873-5753 or Sally 616-430-0687.

YOUTH GROUP DAY OF FUN & CHALLENGES at Camp Ao-Ia-Kioa climbing the rock wall and other activities will take place on Sunday, Oct 20, 1:30-4:00. We'll carpool from OLF at 1:00. RSVP to Mary Lorenz at 861-2475 by Oct 16. Drivers needed.

OLF NEWS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY to John Wade 10/15; Larry Winterhalter III 10/16; Steven Winterhalter 10/17; Tim Hayes 10/19

VEGETARIAN SUPPER: Oct 14, 6:00 pm at Shelby Seventh-Day Adventist Church. Free meal with guest speaker at 7:00: Nutritionist Evelyn Kissinger will address the subject of DIABETES.

GUYS NIGHT OUT: Saturday, Oct 19, 7:00 pm at Unleashed. Guest Speaker: Harold Harder, PhD. Darts, pool and bean bag competitions. 873-5152 for more info.

SAINTS & SINNERS COMEDY, by the creators of Late Night Catechism: Oct 18 & 19, 7:00 pm at St. Luke's in Allendale. 616-895-2247 or secretary@lukespot.com for more info. \$20 adults; \$10 students 22/younger.



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CONTRIBUTIONS DONACIONES October 5-6 de Octubre

Our Lady of Fatima		St. Gregory	
Envelopes	\$1,896.00	Envelopes	\$1,902.00
Loose	<u>190.50</u>	Loose	<u>567.68</u>
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REMEMBER IN PRAYER: Helen Lorenz, Carmen Garcia, David Adamczyk, Connie Navarro, Rachel Ybarra, Maria Lozano, Sharon VanderKooi, Melissa Galindo, Cathy

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FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Everyone needs a "round tuit." The lepers in today's gospel probably meant to thank Jesus. Excited about being cured they didn't get 'around-to-it.' We get caught up in our own interests and fail to appreciate what we have or to say what is in our hearts. This week get yourself a "round tuit."

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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ST. GREGORY'S MISSION STATEMENT: Together, as committed followers of Jesus, we worship, value diversity, work for justice and create community.

My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our beloved Holy Father Pope Francis has shown himself to be a great teacher with the heart of a missionary. Like Jesus, he teaches by word and example, keeping the poor, the troubled and the vulnerable in clear view at all times. In that spirit I write to you today. Our Catholic Church, at every level and by its very nature, is missionary. Its origin is in the very mission of Jesus Christ and of the Holy Spirit.

World Mission Sunday will be observed on October 19-20. This observance is a time for us to be inspired by the heroes of our Church who serve God's beloved children in places of poverty, injustice, even outright persecution. The priests, religious, and lay missionaries make it possible for the needy to encounter Christ, the Sacraments, and living Word of God, and to live in hope of heaven.

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is the Holy Father's missionary arm, providing resources for more than 1,150 mission dioceses in the world. No work of the Church is more central to her reason for being. Nothing is more important! So, I am asking that every parish and all the Faithful experience the fullness of World Mission Sunday.

The theme for the United States' observance of this day is: "Do good on earth" taken from the words of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, the young Carmelite Sister who is the Patroness of the Missions. *It is a call to put faith into action!* The materials prepared by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith highlight the missionary efforts of the Salesian Sisters in Chennai, India, and their pastoral work among young women who are victims of trafficking and slavery. The Sisters save their lives, and with love they teach and celebrate the Faith. It is an inspiring glimpse into missionary realities today.

At a time when the needs in the Missions have grown substantially, I ask you for the gift of your generosity. Jesus commissioned His apostles and told them, "As the Father has sent me, so I have sent you" (John 20:21). Let us pray that this year World Mission Sunday will touch each of us deeply, and that we will be united in providing true assistance where it is needed most, for the sake of Christ!

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Rev. David J. Walkowiak, Bishop of Grand Rapids



Queridas hermanas y hermanos en Cristo,

Nuestro amado Santo Padre, Papa Francisco, ha demostrado ser un gran maestro con corazón misionero. Al igual que Jesús, él enseña con la palabra y el ejemplo, recordando constantemente al pobre, al afligido y al vulnerable. En ese mismo espíritu les escribo hoy a ustedes. La Iglesia Católica es misionera en todos los aspectos y por naturaleza. Tiene su origen en la misión de Jesucristo y del Espíritu Santo.

El Día Mundial de la Misión se celebrará en Octubre 19-20. Este es un tiempo para dejarnos inspirar por los héroes de la Iglesia que sirven al pueblo de Dios en lugares de pobreza, injusticia y persecución. Los sacerdotes, religiosos y misioneros laicos hacen posible que las personas más necesitadas encuentren a Cristo, los Sacramentos, la Palabra de Dios viviente y que vivan en la esperanza del paraíso.

La Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe es el escudo misionero del Santo Padre, provee recursos para más de 1.150 diócesis misioneras en el mundo. No hay trabajo más central para su razón de ser. Nada es más importante! De modo que, les estoy pidiendo a cada Parroquia y a todos los Feligreses que experimenten la plenitud del Día Mundial de la Misión.

El tema para dicha Jornada en Estados Unidos es: "Haz el bien en la tierra" y ha sido tomado de las palabras de Santa Teresa de Lisieux, la joven Hermana Carmelitana y Patrona de las Misiones. *Es un llamado a poner la fe en acción!* El material preparado por la Sociedad para la Propagación de la Fe resalta el esfuerzo misionero de las Hermanas Salesianas en Chennai, India, y su trabajo pastoral entre mujeres jóvenes que son víctimas del tráfico humano y la esclavitud. Las Hermanas salvan sus vidas, y con amor enseñan y celebran la Fe. Es un inspirador vistazo a las realidades misioneras actuales.

En este tiempo en que las necesidades en la Misión han aumentado considerablemente, yo les pido el regalo de su generosidad. Jesús envió a sus apóstoles y les dijo, "Como el Padre me ha enviado, así los envío yo" (Jn.20:21). Oremos para que el Día Mundial de la Misión nos toque profundamente y que estemos unidos para suministrar verdadera ayuda donde más se necesita, por amor de Cristo!

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo
Muy Reverendo David J. Walkowiak, Obispo de Grand Rapids



Our Faith Our Future calls for us to submit to the bishop our plans to merge our two parishes. Discussion at our last Pastoral Council meeting resulted in unanimous support for moving forward. This week our

respective Finance Councils met and explored the financial benefits of this merger.

I strongly believe this move, effective January 1st if approved by the Bishop, enhances our parishes' standing. That is, we go from one medium sized parish (including the 11:30 Mass in Spanish) at St. Gregory, and one small parish at Our Lady of Fatima, to a united, stronger body. Through pooling resources, finding strength in numbers, and declaring we will look out for each other—including to keep open our respective church buildings for weekend worship, as prescribed in Our Faith Our Future—we strive to become not only bigger and stronger but more vibrant as well.

On the practical side: Our legal name changes to St. Gregory-Our Lady of Fatima Parish; however, our church signs, operations and functions continue mostly as they are now. One exception is the merger of our Finance Councils—as has already been done with Pastoral Council. Currently, as clustered parishes, we keep separate books. A merger means all finances are kept together. Financially, both parishes currently have comfortable rainy day savings. But without sharing expenses, both parishes would have to dip into savings to maintain their current levels of operation—and that's not an ongoing option. By sharing efforts and expenses, we can do together what each parish cannot do independently. Neither is being bailed out—but both parishes will be helping each other.

If you have any questions please ask any Council member or me.

Peace, Fr. Tom

PANORÁMICA DE LA LITURGIA DE ESTE MES

Los evangelios de octubre insisten una y otra vez en la necesidad de cultivar una fe verdadera; es decir, una fe que permite a la persona conocerse a sí misma en toda su riqueza y en sus limitaciones, y reconocer la realidad en su entorno para actuar de manera responsable. Continúan las lecturas del Evangelio de Lucas, con sus maravillosos relatos de curaciones y las parábolas de la misericordia.

No hay muchas fiestas litúrgicas, pero se conmemoran las figuras de una gran cantidad de santos, testigos, modelos y mártires de la fe, como santa Teresa y santa Teresita, los mártires Isaac Jogues y Jean Brebeuf, los dos grandes Franciscos (Borja y Asís), san Antonio María Claret y los apóstoles Simón y Judas. También se celebra la fiesta de los Ángeles Custodios.

Octubre es, además, el segundo mes más mariano del año, por el lugar central que ocupa el Rosario en la religiosidad popular.

Para los pueblos hispanos, octubre es representativo de una identidad colectiva forjada a lo largo de muchos años. Aunque es verdad que existe una gran diversidad de culturas hispanas, también es cierto que existen elementos comunes de experiencia, valores y cultura, por lo que se puede hablar de La Raza. Aunque el acontecimiento de la llegada de Colón al continente y la posterior colonización encierre muchos aspectos controversiales, no se puede obviar el impacto de la evangelización en el continente, o el hecho de que en la actualidad millones de personas hablen el mismo idioma. Son cuestiones de identidad colectiva.

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