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OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH
PARROQUIA DE SAN GREGORIO**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
PRIMERO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO**

December 1 de Diciembre 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
By appointment (231) 873-2660

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LITURGY ~ LITÚRGIA

December 2-8 de Diciembre

Tuesday/Martes

9:00 am G Willard Tate

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 John Roche

11:30 am G Familia Parroquiál



St. Gregory Rectory Open House Reunión a la Casa de Padre Tomás

December 15 de Diciembre

2-4:00 pm

Everyone is invited! ¡Todos son Bienvenidos!

Advent Penance Service

Thursday, December 19, 7:00 pm at St. Gregory

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24:

5:00 pm Children's Mass, St. Gregory

8:00 pm Evening Vigil, OLF

December 25:

9:00 am Christmas Mass, St. Joseph-Weare



MINISTRY SCHEDULE/MINISTERIOS de la MISA December 7-8 de Diciembre

Ministers of the Word/Lectura

5:00 pm Linda Foster

9:30 am Andy Bosse

11:30 am Olga Guzmán

Ministers of the Eucharist/Comunión

5:00 pm P Earhart, P Poynter, R Setlak

9:30 am H Schouten, J Dennert, L VanZoeren

11:30 am A Tudon, A Contreras, L Ybarra

Altar Servers/Acólitos

5:00 pm S Cederquist, S Cederquist

9:30 am J Vanderstelt, W Dold

11:30 am AJ Bernal, E Cruz

Ministers of Hospitality/Bienvenida

9:30 am Harold & Louise Schaner

11:30 am Dale y Estella Kraus

Ushers/Colecta y Ofrendas

5:00 pm A Revilla, J Wade, D Zaverl, K Kludy

9:30 am Schaner, VanderZanden, Ulmstead, Schaner

11:30 am Gerardo Morales y Familia

December 1-8 de Diciembre

Sun/Domingo	OLF Youth Group Movie Night	6-8:00 pm
Mon/Lunes	G Prayer Group	8:00-9:00 am
	OLF Quilt Club	10:00 am-3:00 pm
	OLF Confirmation Class	6:30-8:00 pm
Tues/Martes	G Clase de Bautismo	7:00 pm
Wed/Miércoles	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 Pastoral Council Meeting	6:30 pm
Thurs/Jueves	G Bible Study Group	7:00 pm
Sat/Sábado	G First Saturday Devotions	10:00 am
Sun/Domingo	G Our Lady of Guadalupe Celeb. Potluck	12:30 pm

MOVIE NIGHT: All youth are invited to attend the movie "Faith Alone" on Sun., Dec. 1, 6:00 pm at Our Lady of Fatima.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: On Saturday, Dec. 7, 10:00 am in St. Gregory's chapel.

PARISH CENSUS: At all Masses next weekend (Dec. 7-8) we will be distributing forms to all parishioners from both parishes. Please complete your form and return to St. Gregory's rectory or in the collection basket. Everyone is asked to update their family information by Dec. 21.

BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Thursdays each week at St. Gregory's at 7:00 p.m.. All are welcome.

PRAYER GROUP: You are invited to join a prayer group at St. Gregory's chapel on Mondays, 8-9:00 am.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS: Coffee hours will resume in January, if there are people willing to host. **Please contact the parish office and let us know if you can host a coffee hour the first Sunday of January, or beyond.** Attendance has been very promising, and we would like to keep this opportunity for food, fellowship, and fun going! Many thanks to those who have hosted, and those who have attended.

OLF NEWS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Amy Kidder 12/2; Austin Merten 12/4

OLF GIVING TREE: The annual OLF giving tree for C.O.V.E is ready for those who wish to participate in donating a gift. For more information contact Kathy Grantz, 861-5472.

BREAD OF LIFE FOOD PANTRY: The pantry is happy to take venison donations. Call Jane at 616-540-8910 for more information.

EVA'S COTTAGE CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: All proceeds go toward Harbor House of Hart to provide a home and family for abused/neglected teenage girls. Dec. 5: 12-5pm; Dec. 6: 12-8pm; Dec. 7: 10am-3pm, 2073 N. Ridge Rd., Silver Lake area. Call 873-8916 for more information or www.theharborhouseofhart.org.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Helen Lorenz, Carmen Garcia, David Adamczyk, Connie Navarro, Rachel Ybarra, Maria Lozano, Sharon VanderKooi, Melissa Galindo, Cathy Thocher Evans, Angie Setlak, Bernice Biggs, Heather Swiech, Ray Hanslits, Michelle Stovall, Bill Baranski, Ken Farquhar, Alberto Contreras, Mara Barco, Mero Davila, Oralia Davila, Jane Cooper, Alice Battice, Joe Merrill, Elba Ibarra, Mark Kessler, Mike Dold, Marshall Jorissen, Haley Gale, Barbara Foster, Julie Quinn, Anthony Aerts, Gene Schaner, Jim Eckerle, Bernadette Eckerle, Allen Aerts, Ed Lathrop, Jim Johnson

Parish Giving

November 23-24 de Noviembre

Our Lady of Fatima		St. Gregory	
Envelopes	\$772.00	Envelopes	\$1,832.00
Loose	<u>136.00</u>	Loose	<u>355.00</u>
	\$908.00		\$2,187.00
10% Tithe	\$90.80	5% Tithe	\$109.35

Retirement Fund for Religious

Dear Friends,

Our parishes will soon be conducting the appeal for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**, an annual collection that benefits some 34,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. As I reflect on the service of our women and men religious, I recall the words of Jesus in John's Gospel: "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be" (Jn 12:26). Through their prayer and ministries, religious can be found wherever Jesus is found—not just in Catholic parishes, schools, and hospitals, but also in service to the poor, the lonely, and the oppressed.

In a profound way, we also find Jesus in the ongoing witness of our elder religious. While many continue in active and volunteer ministry, others are frail and need assistance. Yet they remain wholly committed to their vocations, accepting the limitations of aging and embracing the opportunity to focus more fully on praying for our Church and world.

Most elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a substantial gap in retirement savings. With the ever-rising cost of health care and the increase in the number of those needing care, many religious communities now struggle to provide for their senior members. The **Retirement Fund for Religious** offers vital financial assistance to help meet day-to-day needs for prescription medications, nursing care, and more.

Our parishes will be conducting the annual collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** the weekend of **December 7-8**. This annual collection is an opportunity for each of us to be the presence of Jesus to our senior religious. I ask that you give what you can. Please join me in supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious and in praying for God's continued blessing on our nation's elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,
Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids



Estimados Amigos,

Nuestras parroquias en breve conducirán la apelación para el **Fondo de Religiosos Jubilados**, una colecta anual que beneficia a unos 34,000 hermanos, hermanas, y sacerdotes mayores de órdenes religiosas. Mientras pienso en el servicio de nuestras mujeres y hombres religiosos, recuerdo las

palabras de Jesús en el Evangelio de San Juan: "El que quiera servirme, que me siga, y donde yo esté, estará también mi servidor" (Jn. 12:26). A través de su oración y sus ministerios, los religiosos logran estar donde Jesús esté – no solamente en las parroquias, escuelas, y hospitales católicos, sino también en el servicio hacia los pobres, los rechazados, y los oprimidos.

En una manera profunda, Jesús se encuentra también en el testigo fiel de nuestros religiosos mayores. Hay muchos que continúan en el ministerio activo o voluntario, y hay otros que son frágiles y en necesidad de asistencia. Sin embargo, todos permanecen comprometidos a su vocación, aceptando las limitaciones del envejecimiento y abrazando la oportunidad de enfocarse más plenamente en rezando para la Iglesia y el mundo.

La mayoría de los religiosos trabajaron muchos años por estipendios modestos, dejando poco lugar para ahorros de jubilación. Con los gastos siempre más altos de cuidado de salud y el crecimiento del número de personas que necesitan cuidado, muchas comunidades luchan para proveer por los miembros ancianos. El **Fondo de Religiosos Jubilados** ofrece una asistencia financiera-vital que ayuda a cumplir las necesidades diarias de prescripciones médicas, enfermeros, y más.

Nuestras parroquias conducirán esa colecta anual para el **Fondo de Religiosos Jubilados** el fin de semana del 7-8 de diciembre. Esa colecta anual es una oportunidad para cada uno de nosotros de ser la presencia de Jesús para nuestros religiosos mayores. Pido que den lo que puedan. Les invito a unirse conmigo en apoyar el Fondo de Religiosos Jubilados y en rezar por la continua bendición de Dios sobre nuestros hermanos, hermanas, y sacerdotes de órdenes religiosas de nuestra nación.

Atentamente en el Señor,
Muy Reverendo David J. Walkowiak
Obispo de Grand Rapids

In large measure Advent is about setting ourselves apart from the busyness, the noisiness, the crass and loud commercialism, and the unholy that tempts and invites. We wait for God and we do so gladly, for the justice and mercy of God are made known to us. God's goodness is near. Thus we pay attention. The other stuff, mentioned above, can wait. We wait for God alone.

One of the simplest ways to tune our spiritual lives to Advent is reading and praying with the Scripture readings for weekend and daily Mass.

The readings for the First Sunday of Advent emphasize waiting. A world lost in sin and darkness waits, hopes and yearns. We trust in God who has promised light—but when will it come? How?

Every one of us has some part of our lives that yearns for light, that is in need of reconciliation or that feels lost. A glance at newspaper headlines tells us how great is the need of this broken world. *Come, Lord Jesus!* will probably be an easy prayer for this week.

Peace,
Fr. Tom



ROSAS PARA LA VIRGEN

Ofrecer a la Virgen rosas rojas es un symbol de amor hacia ella. Después de la Misa de español es el tiempo para ordenar sus rosas para la Procesión en la Celebración de la Fiesta de la Virgen el Domingo 8. Hágalo con la Sra. Sofia Escoto.



CELEBRACIONES EN HONOR DE LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE CELEBRATIONS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Diciembre ~ December 2013

Martes/Tues., 3 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Gabriel y Silvina Gonzalez; 3705 28th Ave., Shelby 49455
Miércoles/Wed., 4 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Rene y Ana Figuerora; 333 Valley St, Shelby 49455
Jueves/Thurs., 5 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Enrique Moreno; 3241 N. 72nd Ave Lot 18, Hart
Viernes/Fri., 6 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Penny Burillo, 516 Griswold St, Hart 49420
Sábado/Sat., 7 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Julian y Rosario Tienda, 5753 Fox Rd, Mears 49420
Domingo/Sun., 8 de Dic	Procesión de Rosas/Procession of Roses 10:40 am;	San Gregorio/St. Gregory
	Misa/Mass 11:30 am;	San Gregorio/St. Gregory
	Comida/Potluck 12:30 pm;	San Gregorio/St. Gregory
	Rosario 7:00 pm	Yasuri Sierra, 220 Washington St, Hart 49420
Lunes/Mon., 9 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Jesús y Leticia Zarzoza, 181 W Main St, Hart 49420
Martes/Tues., 10 de Dic	Rosario 7:00 pm	Matias y Martha Mendez, 3559 Sur 132, Hesperia 49421
Miércoles/Wed, 11 de Dic	Serenata 7:00 pm	San Gregorio/St. Gregory, 316 Peach St, Hart 49420

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