

**ST. GREGORY'S PARISH
OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH
PARROQUIA DE SAN GREGORIO
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
LA SAGRADA FAMILIA**

December 29 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

BAPTISM~ MARRIAGE~ANOINTING

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Por favor llame a la oficina (231) 873-2660

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LITURGY ~ LITÚRGIA
December 30, 2013-January 5, 2014
30 de Diciembre, 2013-5 de Enero 2014



HOLY DAY
December 31 de Diciembre
SOLEMNITY OF MARY

Tuesday/Martes
 5:30 pm G Vigil Mass/Misa Bilingüe

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 Parish Family
 11:30 am G Familia Parroquiál

MINISTRY SCHEDULE/MINISTERIOS de la MISA

December 31 de Diciembre
Solemnity of Mary

5:30 pm St. Gregory
Word/Lectura: J Wittman, R Ramirez
Eucharist/Comunión: G & J Merten, VanZoeren, Contreras
Servers/Acólitos: J Vanderstelt, W Dold, E Cruz, AJ Bernal
Hospitality/Bienvenida: C Vanderstelt, O Escamilla y Familia
Ushers/Colecta: J Dennert, J Schaner, R Ulmstead, T Bosse

January 4-5 de Enero

Ministers of the Word/Lectura
 5:00 pm Kathy Carter
 9:30 am Joe Merten

Ministers of the Eucharist/Comunión
 5:00 pm R Pochyla, P Poynter, R Setlak
 9:30 am H Schouten, J Dennert, R Ulmstead

Altar Servers/Acólitos
 5:00 pm S Knapp, T Cederquist
 9:30 am D Dold, E Smith

Ministers of Hospitality/Bienvenida
 9:30 am C Aerts, L VanZoeren

Ushers/Colecta y Ofrendas
 5:00 pm S Fell, D Lound, R Mather, B Mayo
 9:30 am A Bosse, C Wiegand, C Aerts, D Schaner

OFFERINGS ~ OFRENDAS
December 21-22 de Diciembre

Our Lady of Fatima		St. Gregory	
Envelopes	\$1,210.00	Envelopes	\$1,550.00
Loose	64.00	Loose	230.00
	\$1,274.00		\$1,780.00
10% Tithe	\$127.40	5% Tithe	\$89.00



CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ CALENDARIO
December 29, 2013-January 5, 2014
30 de Diciembre, 2013-5 de Enero 2014

Mon/Lunes	G	No Prayer Group No Confirmation Class	
Wed/Miércoles	G	No 1-5 Faith Formation No 6-7 Faith Formation OLF No K-6 Religious Ed	
Thurs/Jueves	G	No Bible Study	
Sat/Sábado	G	First Saturday Devotions	10:00 am
Sun/Domingo	G	Coffee & Rolls OLF Youth Group "The Pope"	10:30 am 6-8:00 pm

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: Jan. 4, 10:00 am at St. Gregory.

COFFEE & ROLLS: Sunday, Jan. 5 after the 9:30 am Mass at St. Gregory. Join us for coffee & rolls, fun & fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

FAITH FORMATION: Classes resume on Monday, Jan. 6 for Confirmation class and Jan. 8 for Wednesday classes.

PARISH CENSUS: If you have not yet completed a parish census form, please do so and return it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. Thanks for your help.

CONTRIBUTIONS: Please look for your 2014 contribution envelopes in the back of church. If you do not find envelopes there, please contact the parish office at 873-2660 or parish@stgregoryathart.org. If you'd like a 2013 contribution statement for tax purposes, please contact the parish office. Your support is needed and appreciated. THANK YOU!

NEW BIBLE STUDY: *Little Rock Scripture Study* on Hebrews will be offered on Thursdays, beginning Jan. 9, at 10:00 am at Our Lady of Fatima and 7:00 pm at St. Gregory. Sign-up sheets are in the back of each church. A minimum of six participants at each location is needed. Commentary/study guide \$14. Carpooling is a possibility. Questions: Sharon Hedinger 873-4253.



THANK YOU to everyone who helped decorate both churches in preparation for Christmas. Your efforts helped provide beautiful worship spaces. Special thanks to those who donated and delivered trees and wreaths: John & Vickie Oomen, Roger Wiegand, Wally & Donna Carrier, Penny Burillo, and Many Blessings Market. And thanks to Carl Wiegand for the new tree stand.

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

FOOD PANTRY: Non-perishables can be left at St. Gregory or OLF at any time. Need is great during January. Thanks for sharing your blessings.

OLF NEWS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Stephen Fell 12/31; Lexi Anzaldúa 1/1; Linda Robles 1/2; Rena Stier 1/3; Dana Wall, Tracy Wozny 1/4

CSA SUPPORTS *Priestly Vocations.* The office of priestly vocations is at the forefront of the vital effort to attract, guide and support men as they consider a call to serve the Lord as priests.

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, Mara Barco, Michelle Stovall, Bill Baranski, Ken Farquhar, Jane Cooper, Alberto Contreras, Mero Davila, Oralia Davila, Alice Battice, Joe Merrill, Elba Ibarra, Mark Kessler, Haley Gale, Marshall Jorissen, Barbara Foster, Julie Quinn, Gene Schaner, Bernadette Eckerle, Allen Aerts, Ed Lathrop, Jim Johnson, Janet Jorissen, Frank Fila



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
FR. TOM – December 29

As I explained in October, Our Faith Our Future called for us to submit to the bishop plans to merge our two parishes. Discussion at our late summer Pastoral Council meeting resulted in unanimous support for moving forward. Our respective Finance Councils met and explored the financial benefits of this merger. And more, they spoke about the merits of mutually working together. The Councils felt strongly that our communities of churches, schools and government should already be working together for the greater good of all.



This merger has been approved by Bishop Walkowiak, effective January 1. I strongly believe this move enhances our parishes' standing. That is, we move to a stronger, united 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—we strive to become not only bigger and stronger, but more vibrant as well.

Our legal name changes to St. Gregory-Our Lady of Fatima Parish; however, our 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. As clustered parishes, books are kept separate. With the merger, finances will be kept together. 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.

In the true spirit of Christmas giving and sharing, we are blessed to move forward *together* in service to our Lord and Savior.

Happy New Year, Fr. Tom



I, the Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak, Bishop of Grand Rapids, in order to provide for the present and future spiritual and pastoral needs of the People of God of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, have reviewed and support the general recommendations of the diocesan strategic planning process begun by my predecessor in 2009, entitled, *Our Faith, Our Future*. Over a period of two years, a study and analysis of collected information, encompassing all the ecclesiastical structures of pastoral care within the Diocese, was conducted. This process included direct consultations with the clergy and people of these individual entities in conformity with the prescripts of canon 50. The strategic plan, elaborated from this process not only addresses the Diocese as a whole but also the individual institutions within the Diocese. The decisions affecting each entity are motivated, however, by circumstances directly pertinent to each entity.

Therefore, with regard to the parish of St. Gregory (316 Peach St., Hart, MI) and the parish of Our Lady of Fatima (1372 S. Oceana Dr., Shelby, MI), as the Catholic population in these communities has not experienced significant growth, thus necessitating both parishes to combine in order to move towards the achievement of the established criteria for vital parishes, in light of St. Gregory Parish having the larger facilities for worship, formation, and other parish activities, the need for a particular focus on the needs of the local Hispanic Catholic community, as well as other factors noted in the data collected and in the consultations conducted during the "Our Faith, Our Future" planning process, and having consulted the Presbyteral Council, in conformity with canon 515§2 with regard to notably altering parishes, on December 4, 2013.

I hereby decree that the parish of St. Gregory and the parish of Our Lady of Fatima are merged in accord with canons 121 and 515§2 of the *Code of Canon Law*, effective January 1, 2014, and the newly defined territorial parish will use the name: St. Gregory-Our Lady of Fatima Parish.

This newly defined parish obtains the goods, patrimonial rights, and obligations of the former parishes of St. Gregory and Our Lady of Fatima. Both worship sites shall be maintained until otherwise provided.

PANORÁMICA DE LA LITURGIA

Al final del tiempo de Navidad y ya en enero, aun tenemos algunas fiestas navideñas llenas de significado: el 1 de enero es la Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios. Es también la Jornada Mundial de la Paz, de la que tan necesitado está el mundo.

El 5 de enero se celebra la Epifanía, con su llamada universal a una comunidad total donde Dios está dispuesto a revelarse a todos sin excepción. Sigue el 12 de enero con la Solemnidad del Bautismo del Señor, que nos recuerda nuestra propia llamada a la santidad por nuestro bautismo. Esa llamada nos empuja a la evangelización y a la defensa de la dignidad de todos los hijos de Dios.

A continuación entramos en el Tiempo Ordinario, que representa un regreso al ritmo normal y que, como nos recuerdan los liturgistas, es tiempo de gracia y de reflexión sobre los misterios de la vida de Jesús. El Tiempo Ordinario contiene una buena oportunidad de reflexionar sobre la vocación laical: lo que supone seguir a Jesús en las circunstancias ordinarias de la vida diaria.

En enero también tenemos conmemoraciones especiales, como son la Conversión de San Pablo y la semana de Oración por la Unión de los Cristianos.

En la primera Semana de enero se observa la Semana de las Migraciones, que en este año tiene para los católicos un tono muy especial, por la campaña de Reforma Migratoria que está movilizandando a Estados Unidos.

En cuanto a las celebraciones marianas, la República Dominicana celebra a Nuestra Señora de la Altigracia, el 21 de enero, y Panamá a Nuestra Señora de la Antigua, el tercer domingo del mes.




FORMACIÓN EN LA FE: No hay clases los días 18, 25 de Diciembre, y 1 de Enero. Se reanudan las clases el día 8 de Enero.

CONTRIBUCIÓN A SU IGLESIA: Es muy importante que recojan sus sobres para el año 2014. Si usted necesita una carta de los donativos que ha dado a su parroquia durante 2013 llame a la oficina al teléfono 873-2000 o por correo electrónico a parish@stgregoryhart.org Muchas gracias por su contribución económica.


ENUNCIADO DE LA MISIÓN DE SAN GREGORIO: Juntos, como seguidores comprometidos de Jesús, adoramos, valoramos la diversidad, trabajamos por la justicia y creamos comunidad.

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