



**THE  
GREEN DIALOG**  
THE CHURCH OF SAINT GREGORY

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**PEACE**  
BE WITH YOU.

— LUKE 24:36 —



**SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024**



# WORSHIP

*We assemble for worship to transform hearts, inspire minds, and heal souls.*

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Sometimes when God appears in our path, we do not recognize him. In these moments, Jesus invites us to reach out and touch him. Remember that Christ is real, Christ is alive, and Christ stands before each one of us — so reach out. Touch him.

## WE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER...

As a community of faith, we pray for each other—in times of joy, in times of sorrow, in celebrating beginnings, in bidding farewell. Let us pray for...

...those beginning new life through baptism

**Sophia Iris Bottger**

*Daughter of Robert & Jamie Boerio Bottger*

**Grady Denton Evans**

*Daughter of Richard & Alexandra Martenson Evans*

**Cecilia Marie Kane**

*Daughter of John & Julianne Ostroski Kane*

**Tucker Alexander Shotto**

*Son of Eric & Rebecca Swierczek Shotto*

...those beginning new life through the Sacrament of Marriage

**Benjamin & Margaret Bannon Dewan**



## CONFIRMATION

Wednesday, April 24 | 5 PM  
*Bishop Bambara will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with us this year.*



## FIRST COMMUNION

Sunday, April 28 | 12 PM  
Sunday, May 5 | 12 PM  
*Please check your email for your assigned date & time.*



## Remembering AT EUCHARIST

### MONDAY | APRIL 15

8:00 AM @ CSG

12:10 PM @ OLS

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Frank Comeno** (*Judy & Ron Grambo*)

**Michael Comerford &**

**Tyler & Christian Schimelfenig** (*Families*)

### TUESDAY | APRIL 16

8:00 AM @ CSG

12:10 PM @ OLS

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Coach Jack Henzes** (*M/M John Hambrose*)

**Audrey Lehnert** (*Gerrie Carey & Family*)

### WEDNESDAY | APRIL 17

8:00 AM @ CSG

12:10 PM @ OLS

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Janice & Ronald Cronkey** (*Family*)

**Kathleen Dempsey** (*Lee Electric Supply*)

### THURSDAY | APRIL 18

8:00 AM @ CSG

12:10 PM @ OLS

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Frank & Clare Osif** (*Peter & Kathy Briden*)

**Dorothy Serpe** (*Rose Marie Laster*)

### FRIDAY | APRIL 19

8:00 AM @ CSG

12:10 PM @ OLS

### EASTER WEEKDAY

**Michael Comerford** (*Friend*)

**Cindy Opalka** (*Jerry & Marilyn Graff*)

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SATURDAY | APRIL 20

4:00 PM @ CSB

5:00 PM @ CSG

5:15 PM @ OLS

**Lavina Walsh** (*Family*)

**Joseph Dougherty** (*Bernadette Dougherty*)

**Kelly Family** (*Dennis & Estelle Kelly*)

### SUNDAY | APRIL 21

7:00 AM @ OLS

8:00 AM @ CSB

8:00 AM @ CSG

9:30 AM @ OLS

10:00 AM @ CSG

11:30 AM @ OLS

**Deceased Members of the Parish**

**Diane Stryweski** (*Michael DelPrete*)

**Chris Kalina** (*Kalina Family*)

**Father Mark Beard** (*Frank & Elayne Moher*)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

*This weekend's Scripture*

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19 | Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9

1 John 2:1-5a | Luke 24:35-48

REMEMBERING MOMENTS OF  
**COVENANTAL LOVE**  
HOLY WEEK 2024

**HOLY THURSDAY**



**GOOD FRIDAY**





# THE EASTER VIGIL





# WORD

*We study God's word to form faith, challenge understanding, and animate action.*

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

When I was a kid, a friend at my home parish told me, "If you get to Mass by the Gospel reading, it counts!" As a lifelong late-arriver, it's something I have told myself many times, especially in my earlier years as a Catholic. If the "it counts" is justifiable on a pathetically minimal scale of liturgical legalism, then the Gospel reading today shows how insanely wrong-headed it is, and how helpful it is to re-think the Mass in its light.

The famous "Road to Emmaus" story recounts, on that first Sunday of the Resurrection, the basic two-fold structure of the Mass: Word, followed by Eucharist. Jesus spends a significant period of time with two dismayed disciples, as he connects a wide swath of the Hebrew scriptures with his own suffering, death, and resurrection. They would later report that this Liturgy of the Word touched their hearts with an inexplicable fire. This Word-induced flame alone is what leads the two disciples to discover Jesus' presence in the "breaking of the bread."

With this in mind, how can we possibly think that the Liturgy of the Word is unnecessary or incidental? The two disciples needed the Scriptures explained to them in order to experience Jesus alive in the eucharistic breaking of bread. Sure, we say, but they had the Risen Jesus. But that's precisely the point: Jesus is risen and accompanies us in both parts of the Mass. Imagine how much our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist would deepen if we (preachers and listeners) took even more seriously that Jesus himself sets our hearts ablaze with his Word so that we know him in the Eucharist. That Word-induced fire counts, too!

— Father John Muir

## WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

A new Women's Study Group will begin next week here at CSG! Women from St. Gregory's and Our Lady of the Snows are invited to study the **30 Day Eucharistic Revival**, a perfect study in this year of Eucharistic Revival and an excellent 'prelude' to this year's Diocesan Women's Conference on the Eucharist.

The Women's Study Group will meet on Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Dialogue Chamber, from **Monday, April 15 to Monday, May 20**. Materials needed: 30 Day Eucharistic Revival, A Retreat with St. Peter Julian Eymard. Available on Amazon.com or at shopmercy.org.

For more information contact Deb Kennedy at 570-954-6799 or [djkennedy1231@comcast.net](mailto:djkennedy1231@comcast.net).



## THE CHOSEN: SEASON 4

Season 4 of THE CHOSEN is coming to Saint Gregory's. Please join us on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM** as we watch and discuss each episode of Season 4. THE CHOSEN has become the most successful crowdfunded series and highlights the followers of Jesus, their personal journeys, and their struggles as they learn the cost of being a true disciple of Jesus.



# COMMUNITY

*We nurture a community that welcomes neighbor, embraces differences, and celebrates unity.*

OLS + CSG YOUTH MINISTRY

## TACO FIESTA

**THIS SUNDAY**  
SUNDAY, APRIL 14

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS --  
Come, bring a friend, and enjoy a Taco Fiesta while sharing your faith with other high school students!

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**


6:30 PM  
@ CSG

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14 @ 11 AM**

THE CHURCH OF ST. GREGORY  
330 N ABINGTON RD



## CLARKS GREEN CELEBRATES **ARBOR** DAY

-  SIP ON SOME TASTY TREATS
-  GET DOWN AND DIRTY PLANTING TREES WITH THE BOROUGH COUNCIL
-  JOIN THE TREE PARTY AND MINGLE WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD GANG



## THANK YOU from **FR. MICHAEL!**

I want to take the opportunity to thank everyone for your generosity in supporting the wonderful cause of Rectorry, Set, Cook! The diocesan-wide event raised over \$217,000 during the season of Lent. My video, featuring my alias name of "Chef Watt," raised \$6,308.06 of that total, and I finished 8 th out of approximately 30 videos. My sincere thanks to you for your generosity and support. Half of the funds raised will go to feeding the hungry and caring for the homeless in the diocese and the other half will be shared evenly between Our Lady of the Snows and St. Gregory's for us to use for our parishes. Again, thank you to all for supporting our parishes and this wonderful cause!





# SERVICE

*We support and care for all through compassionate outreach and service.*



## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FRIST AID TRAINING

Join us on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at St. John Vianney, 704 Montdale Rd., Scott Township from 8:30 AM—3:30 PM. Training is free and includes a light breakfast & lunch.

As adults, we sometimes forget how hard it was being an adolescent, and we mistake what might be a mental health challenge as being normal adolescent behavior. In fact, the youth themselves may be unaware that they are in a mental health crisis and just need someone to reach out.

Register at [catholicmhm.org/csdeanery-mhm](http://catholicmhm.org/csdeanery-mhm).



We are extremely grateful for everyone's generosity throughout the Three Great Days of Easter. Your sense of true Stewardship provides incredible support for our mission as a community of faith centered in Word, Worship, Community and Service. To date we have collected **\$ 44,308.00** for Easter. We encourage your participation at Mass each and every weekend as we celebrate the new life and love of the Risen Christ.



## WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTION

The need at our local food banks grows every day. We welcome your donations of non-perishable food items each week. Donations of pet foods are also welcome. Thank you for your generous spirit in helping us feed the hungry!

### AT MASS...

We will include your gifts for the poor with the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory. Simply place your donation in the basket near the font.

### ...OR IN THE CART!

We welcome your donations during the week too! Our Food Cart is located inside the entrance near OLP School on Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9 AM-3 PM.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS 2024!



**JUNE 24-28, 2024**

## STEWARDSHIP

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!  
APRIL 7 SUNDAY OFFERING  
**Envelopes \$9,215.00 Online \$9,202.09**

Please donate today by mail, at church, or online at [thechurchofstgregory.com](http://thechurchofstgregory.com), on the Saint Gregory parish app, or the GivePlus app.



# THE CHURCH OF SAINT GREGORY



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## MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:00 AM CSG, 12:10 PM OLS

SATURDAY

5:00 PM Vigil CSG

SUNDAY

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM CSG

## CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY

4:00 PM-4:30 PM

or by appointment

## OFFICE SCHEDULE

MON – THURS | 9 AM—4 PM

FRIDAY | 9 AM—12 PM

## OUR MISSION

To accompany all in loving God  
and living Eucharist.



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## BAPTISM

Baptisms are normally celebrated on the Third Sunday of every month at 1 PM. Baptisms may be arranged at other times when necessary. Parent and Godparent preparation may be scheduled by calling the rectory for an appointment.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the rectory at anytime for the celebration of this sacrament.

## MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made six months prior to the desired wedding date. Please contact Father Lapera.

## COMMUNION CALLS

A team of Extraordinary Communion Ministers visit our home-bound with Communion every month. For more Information please contact Deacon Robert Sheils at [rsheils1@comcast.net](mailto:rsheils1@comcast.net)

## HOSPITAL VISITATION

If anyone has a family member, relative or friend in any of the area hospitals and would like them to have a visit, please call the rectory.

## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

FOUNDATIONS is a comprehensive faith formation program that creatively fosters the sharing of faith *primarily* among parents and families and among catechists, mentors, peers, and the parish community. Through guided family formation experiences, collaborative grade level workshops, and immersive service opportunities, FOUNDATIONS will lay the foundation for the next generation's full and active participation in the life of our parish and Church.