

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time January 27, 2013

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

- Luke 4:18a

TIME

The holidays are well behind us; the year stretches out ahead. And what sort of year will it be? To judge by the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, it will be "a year acceptable to the Lord." And Jesus surely didn't mean only the next three hundred sixty-five days facing his listeners at that time.

When Jesus announced the "arrival" of God's favor, it was a message for all time, for every year. Similarly, we read today in Nehemiah how the people gathered with solemnity to hear God's word as though for the first time. They listened, and then fell to the ground and wept. But the prophet said, "Today is holy . . . do not be sad, and do not weep."

The "year acceptable to the Lord" is this year. The day that is "holy" is this day. The time to listen is now. What sort of year will you have? What sort of day? God's help is always here. What you do with each day can be holy and acceptable to the Lord if you but listen to and act on God's word

St. Gregory's 9 Alive Family Mass Next Sunday February 3rd 9:00 o'clock Mass



God's Good News
All Are Welcome
God Loves Each One of Us

There will be a special collection next weekend for our

Parish Education Fund

which supports our Parish School and our Parish Religious Education Program



Sunday Collection \$8,936.82

Thank you! Your generous contributions help to make our ministries possible.

Confirmation Next Saturday, February 2nd at 5:00 pm Mass



Archbishop George Niederauer will administer the sacrament of Confirmation to our parish high school students next Saturday at the regular 5:00pm Mass.

Forward In Faith Series

During Lent, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is once again presenting the *Forward in Faith* series for Catholics who wish to deepen their faith in God and the life of the Church. In our area, the parishes of St. Mark's and St. Dunstan's are hosting evenings for the series. If you are interested in a flier with a registration form and more information including dates, times and all the locations of this program, stop by or call St. Gregory's parish office at 345-8506.

Youth Mass This Sunday January 27th at 5:30 pm



Followed by dinner and Youth Ministry meeting
in the catacombs
All parish high school students
and their friends are welcome!

Kathy Carr is the **Parish Council** contact member for the month of January. Call her at 261-1806 with questions or suggestions.



DID YOU KNOW about Vatican II...?

During the four years of Vatican II, 242 bishops & 12 cardinals died in office!

Save the Date!!

DISCO DADS AND DAUGHTERS

Annual Father Daughter Dance Saturday, March 26th at 7:00 pm Vanos Gym

A Benefit for Athletics at St. Gregory's Parish

MEALS FOR PARISH PRIESTS - It is not too late! The parish is looking for volunteers to cook for two of our priests on Wednesdays and Thursdays in the months of January thru June. You may sign up to provide a ONE TIME meal or more meals if you like. Meals would be simply prepared at home and delivered to the rectory. If you are preparing a dinner for your family you can prepare just a little extra to help our parish priests. To volunteer go to http://www.foodtidings.com/SignUp.aspx?

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FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Friday, Feb 1st. The deceased of St. Gregory's Scholarship Society will be remembered in prayer at the 12:00 noon Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

On Friday, Feb 1st, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 am to 11:45 am. We invite you to come and take a few moments from your morning to spend some time before the Lord in adoration.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AND ROSARY

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb 2nd, followed by devotions to Mary. All are welcome.

MARRIED COUPLES: Are you willing to spend a few minutes to find out about an experience that can make your good marriage even better? Go to **sf.wwme12.org** or call Paul & Yvonne at 650.366.7093. **2013 WWME Spring Weekends**: Feb. 8-10, Napa; March 8-10, Peninsula. Register early.





JANUARY 26 TO FEBRUARY 3

Saturday	5:00 †	Charles Chetcuti
Sunday	7:30 †	Regina Kramer
	9:00	Norman Siri
	10:30	St. Gregory Parishioners
	12:00†	Raymond Fellman
	5:30 †	Antonio and
		Carolina Medeiros
Monday	8:30 †	George Petras
Tuesday	8:30 †	Glenn Mahnke
Wednesday	8:30 †	Msgr. James O'Malley
Thursday	8:30	In Thanksgiving
Friday	8:30 †	Women's Guild
		Scholarship Society
Saturday	8:30 †	Anton and Rosaria Haglich
		Vera Germano
Sunday	7:30 †	Richard Steffen
	9:00 †	Baptiste Barreneche
	10:30	St. Gregory Parishioners
	12:00†	John Gabriel Buencamino
	5:30 †	Maria Gonzaga

The Gregorian Seniors

All parishioners 55 and over are invited to become members of the Gregorian Seniors. Members will attend Mass at 12:00 noon on **Friday**, **Feb 1st** followed by a buffet luncheon in the **Worner Center**. After lunch musical entertainment will be provided by E & J.

Membership forms will be available at the meeting. Annual dues are \$10. There is a lunch fee of \$6.00 per person. Correct change will be greatly appreciated. Non-members are welcome and the fee for lunch is \$10. It is important to call Irene Bluth at 345-8028 to make a reservation for lunch by Tues, Jan 29th so that there will be space at the table for you.

Contribution Statements

Due to the current requirements of the tax law, a statement of your 2012 contributions to St. Gregory Church will be mailed to you by January 31st. No need to call the parish office this year.

Book of James: A Roadmap for Christians

St. Gregory Bible Study Tuesday Evenings, Feb 12-March 26, 2013 7:00-8:30PM

Worner Center @ St. Gregory Church

This infrequently read book can be understood as our roadmap for the Christian journey. The unifying theme of the Book of James is:

"Be doers of the word, not hearers." (James 1:22)

Whether you are a beginner or an experienced scripture reader, consider joining us to learn and grow in faith.

There is a \$10 fee to cover the cost of the book.

Call the Main Office at 345-8506 to register.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SCHOOL AUCTION-The auction committee is asking for your help. They would like some families to donate any items or any parties. A few examples from the past include: Time Shares, Condos, Progressive Parties, Bunko Nights, Oscar Events, Poker Nights and Giants' Games to name just a few. If you have an item that you can donate or are a group of parents that would like to host an event or party it would be graciously appreciated. Please contact the office@stgregs-sanmateo.org for a sponsor form. Thank you very much for any and all of your support.

2013 Men's Faith Study Group

For those wishing to deepen their knowledge of our Catholic faith, please join us Saturday mornings at 7:00am as we reflect on the book "Rediscover Catholicism". It's a great way to help you to be the spiritual leader of your family and get to know other men in the parish.

All are welcome.

For more information contact Dave at (650) 333-7338

KINDERGARTEN APPLICATIONS

St. Gregory School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten students for the 2013-2014 school year. Students <u>must</u> be 5 years old by September 1, 2013 and the family must be registered parishioners of St. Gregory's Parish. Applications are on-line at stgregs-sanmateo.org

The deadline for applications is January 29th.