

ST GREGORY THE GREAT FEAST DAY

The story and history of Saint Gregory the Great.

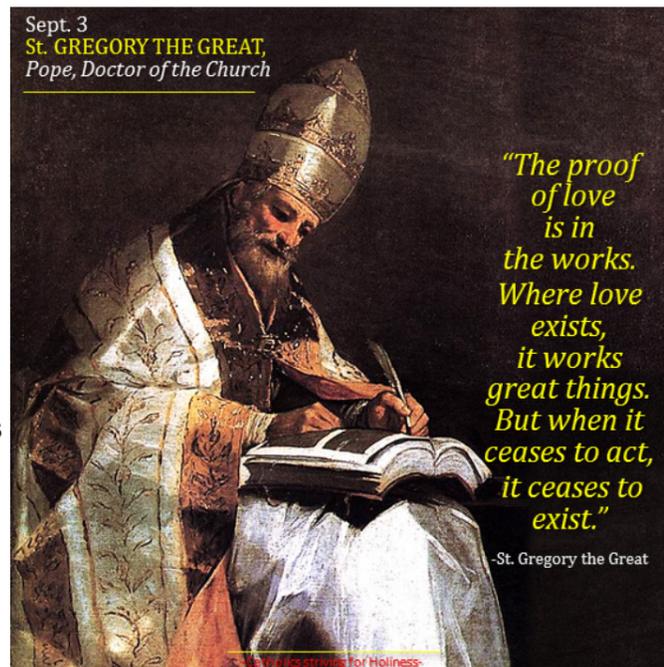
Gregory was a Roman of noble birth, and while still young was governor of Rome. On his father's death he gave his great wealth to the poor, turned his house on the Coelian Hill into a monastery, which now bears his name, and for some years lived as a perfect monk. The Pope drew him from his seclusion to make him one of the seven deacons of Rome; and he did great service to the Church for many years as what we now call Nuncio to the Imperial court at Constantinople.

While still a monk the saint was struck with some boys who were exposed for sale in Rome, and heard with sorrow that they were pagans. "And of what race are they?" he asked. "They are Angles." "Worthy indeed to be Angels of God," said he. "And of what province?" "Of Deira," was the reply. "Truly must we rescue them from the wrath of God. And what is the name of their king?" "He is called Ella." "It is well," said Gregory; "Alleluia must be sung in their land to God." He at once got leave from the Pope, and had set out to convert the English when the murmurs of the people led the Pope to recall him.

Still the Angles were not forgotten, and one of the Saint's first cares as Pope was to send from his own monastery St. Augustine and other monks to England. On the death of Pope Pelagius II., Gregory was compelled to take the government of the Church, and for fourteen years his pontificate was a perfect model of ecclesiastical rule. He healed schisms; revived discipline; saved Italy by converting the wild Arian Lombards who were laying it waste; aided in the conversion of the Spanish and French Goths, who were also Arians; and kindled anew in Britain the light of the Faith, which the English had put out in blood. He set in order the Church's prayers and chant, guided and consoled her pastors with innumerable letters, and preached incessantly, most effectually by his own example. He died A. D. 604, worn out by austerities and toils; and the Church reckons him one of their four great doctors, and reveres him as St. Gregory the Great.

The Feast Day of Saint Gregory the Great is September 3. St Gregory the great is the patron saint of musicians, singers, students and teachers.

The origin of Feast Days: most saints have specially designated feast days and are associated with a specific day of the year and these are referred to as the saint's feast day. The feast days first arose from the very early Christian custom of the annual commemoration of martyrs on the dates of their deaths at the same time celebrating their birth into heaven.



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"There are many rooms in my
father's house"

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1/2 SEPTEMBER 2018 **TWENTY– SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** YEAR B

Entrance Antiphon:

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

First Reading: A reading from the book of Deuteronomy. 4:1-2,6-8

Responsorial Psalm: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

L: Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. (R.)

C: He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)

ALL: He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22,27

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15,21-23 The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

Communion Antiphon: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

St Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan

As a faith Community, we pray with our brothers and sisters in their time of need.

Please pray for our sick:

- Gywen McIntyre
- Sr Bernadette Walsh
- Maureen Keating
- S Vidovic
- Gary Robinson
- Phil Donoghoe
- Gregory Walsh
- Maria Melvin
- Phyllis Polsen
- Regina Paredes
- Louis McFarlane
- Norman Humbardross
- Marie Luzaro
- Lani Albuera Cabahug
- Grant Crowe



Recently deceased

- Charlie Morella
- Cecil Mikola
- Garry Griffiths
- Gerry Manion
- Michael Thornton
- Jolan Bogsanyi
- David Kelly
- Sr Antonine MC
- David McCamley
- Wayne Garlick
- Elizabeth 'Betty' Reid



Anniversaries

- Deogracias Sinay
- Mario Sant
- Maria VandeBrug
- Justyna & Theodore Kaczerepa

Sacrament of First Reconciliation Year 3 children

Registration forms for this sacrament will be sent out to parents via the school system. Alternatively you can download the forms at our website to download the forms at

<https://www.stgregorysparishqueanbeyan.com/sacred-room/sacraments/first-reconciliation/>

Please call the parish office if you have any questions regarding this Sacrament. Thank you.

Rita Pelle
Sacramental Officer

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Little Sparks Children's Liturgy DURING 9AM SUNDAY MASS

YOUTH GROUP WILL BE MEETING FORTNIGHTLY, NEXT GATHERING SUNDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER.

Monday Craft Group: 10am—midday
Wednesday Prayer Group: 1.30-3pm
Come and explore the Gospel and its relevance for today. All welcome to join us.

ST GREGORY'S FEAST DAY mass will be held on Monday 3rd September at 9.30 am.

Saturday 8th September at 10.30am Namora Anderson's mass of thanksgiving at St Raphael's Church followed by morning tea. PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE. WE ALSO NEED SOME WILLING VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON 6TH SEPT TO CLEAN THE MORNING TEA AREA IN PREPARATION FOR SATURDAY. ANYTIME AFTER 4PM

St Greg's is Family Friendly

Here at St Raphael's Church you will find Quiet Play Spaces for little children and their parents and baby change facilities in the unisex disabled toilet. This an initiative of the Parish Pastoral Council. The Quiet Play Spaces in the church have small toys, soft toys, puzzles and loads of picture books, along with colouring sheets, paper and crayons. The Quiet Play Spaces are for babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers and their parents to relax quietly during Mass. There are rugs and cushions on the floor, small tables and chairs for the children and chairs for the parents. And most of all there is a notice board where the children can pin up their pictures or prayers. Please stay close to your children and supervise them so they enjoy the Quiet Play Spaces and then leave the spaces as you find them.

Cancer Support Group—Our monthly meeting with lunch at 12 noon will be held on Wednesday, 5 September 2018 at Googong recreation area in the vicinity of indoor pool.

Church Cleaning Rosters are available for collection near Our Lady's prayer area. Please call the parish office if you need to discuss anything. Thank you again for your generosity.

PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

Have your say....

Welcome to the Plenary Council's first stage of preparation – Listening and Dialogue. This first stage of preparation will continue until Ash Wednesday 2019. Together, we are on a journey of listening to God by listening to one another.

All people are invited to engage in Listening and Dialogue Encounters – which are an open and inclusive experience of listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. The Listening and Dialogue Encounter is an opportunity to get together a group of friends, family or colleagues and spend some time thinking and talking about your experiences of faith, life and the Church. Everyone is invited to respond to the questions. The questionnaire is available at the church doors and can be returned via the yellow bags left near the baptism font or in the collection bags. Alternatively you can complete the survey online

<https://goo.gl/forms/EtJMMYUF9CckOQ4p1>

Deacon John Lim has resigned from the Parish of St Mary's, Bungendore. Deacon Chris, who lives in the parish, will now also cover diaconal duties for St Mary's. He will continue to serve at Queanbeyan for the 5.30 mass every Saturday as well as masses for the first and third Sundays.

Father's Day Appeal - THIS WEEKEND.

Annual collection for retired priests: There are 23 priests of our Archdiocese who come under the care of the Clergy Retirement Foundation. This Appeal raises much needed funds to meet the needs of these priests and to give them security in their retirement years, all gifts are tax deductible. Please give generously as you have done in the past. Envelopes are available next weekend.

ST Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan

Invites you to join with us for a



CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL SERVICE in memory of our dearly loved departed family and friends

Monday 17 September 2018 at 7pm

St Raphael's church. ALL WELCOME

We would love you to stay for a cuppa afterwards. All enquires or RSVP to the parish office.

LATE CALL has just been published by Bishop Pat Power. It presents the stories of the 23 Canberra-Goulburn priests ordained out of St Paul's Seminary, Kensington. It includes many priests known in Queanbeyan: Troy Bobbin, Peter Day, Mick MacAndrew, Justin Barwick, Peter Miller, Mark Croker, Michael Mullen, Dermid McDermott, Laurie Bent and John Van Doren. There will be a low-profile launch of the book with Fr Pat and the publisher after Sunday's 9am Mass. It is available for \$20.



WE WISH ALL OUR WONDERFUL FATHERS A VERY HAPPY FATHER'S DAY.



Do you know someone who wants to know more about being a Catholic? do you want to know more? Are you prepared to be a support person for and enquirer? If so, we would love to hear from you. Weekly gatherings will commence mid-September at the church. Please contact the Parish Office for further information. Sr. Chloe Forsyth dc

A NINE DAY NOVENA IS BEING HELD AT ST RAPHAEL'S CHURCH FOR THE FEAST OF ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA. FROM WEDNESDAY 29TH AUGUST TO THE 6TH SEPTEMBER ALL AT 5.30PM THE FEAST DAY MASS OF ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA WILL BE CELEBRATED ON SATURDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER - 9AM BY ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE AT ST GREGORY'S CHURCH, MOLONGLO ST. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE MASSES. GOD BLESS YOU M.C.SISTERS

WEEKEND HOSPITAL VISITATION ROSTER

2 September Mel Unwin
9 September Chris Taylor

ROSTER SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 5.30PM

ACOLYTE: N SAJI
READERS: A WHITE J DEL BIANCO
Ministers of Communion: A DE JONGH K GREEN E UNWIN K WHEATLEY

ALTAR SVRS: T HARRIDEN J SAJI

ROSTER SUNDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 9AM

ACOLYTE: D CONNOR
READERS: M DORRIAN P JACKSON
Ministers of Communion: F & S STANFORD, L & G LASKER, E BERRA, F FAATAMALA

ALTAR SVRS: L LASKER M DUFF

MORNING TEA ROSTER

2 SEPTEMBER
J SEALEY, E BERRA, D GAGEL
9 SEPTEMBER
MEN ALIVE GROUP

Weekday & Weekend Masses			1 st Wednesdays	10:00am	George Forbes House
Saturday	5:30pm	St Raphael's, Queanbeyan	2 nd Wednesdays	11:00am	Warrigal (Kawaree)
Sunday	9:00am & 5.30pm	St Raphael's, Queanbeyan YOUTH / FAMILY MASS	4 th Wednesdays	11:00am	Queanbeyan Nursing Home
Sunday	8.30am	St Mary's Bungendore	Fridays	11:00—11:55am	Exposition & Adoration, St Raphael's
1 st Sunday of month	11am	Peter & Paul, Hoskinstown	Saturdays	4.30 pm—5 pm or by appointment	Reconciliation, St Raphael's
2 nd Saturday of month	5.00pm	St Patrick's Michelago	Sundays during 9am mass		Children's Liturgy Ages 3-9yrs
3 rd Sunday of month	9am	St Joseph's Gundaroo	3 rd & 4 th Sundays	10:30am	Baptisms St Raphael's Church
5 th Sunday	12 noon	St Brigid's, Krawarree	(Sat) 5:30pm / (Sun) 9am		Baptism Presentations, St Raphael's Church
Saturday	6.00pm	St Bede's Braidwood	By Appointment		Marriages
Monday	NO MASS		Mondays 10:00am—12noon		Craft Group, Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday	5.30 pm	St Raphael's	1 st Wednesdays 12:30pm		Cancer Support Group 6297 1912
Wednesday	7:00am	St Raphael's	Wednesdays 1:30—3pm		Prayer Group, Parish Meeting Room.
Wednesday	9.00am	St Mary's Bungendore	RCIA		ENQUIRIES BEGIN SEPTEMBER
Thursday	7am	St Raphael's			
Friday	12noon	St Raphael's			