



E-Newsletter

September 17 - September 23, 2021

Prayer List

Please remember those on the Prayer List when you pray.

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17th Sunday after Pentecost

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Sermons

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This Week at St. Gregory's

Sunday, September 19

Sunday Service [ONLINE](#): 10:15 AM.

Bulletin is available [HERE](#). **Note that Los Angeles County has issued a mandate requiring masks for all people attending indoor events, regardless of vaccination status. So please be sure to wear your mask to church!**

Tuesday, September 21

Centering Prayer [via Zoom](#): 6:30 PM.

Ordo is available [HERE](#).

Thursday, September 23

Bible Study in Fireside Room and [via Zoom](#): 10:00 AM.

Daily (M-F)

Morning Prayer: Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM with Mother Sharon Sheffield of St. Thomas of Canterbury [ONLINE](#). Documents for Morning Prayer are:

[Morning Prayer Text \(BCP\)](#)
[Psalms for Morning Prayer](#)

[Calendar](#)

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Evening Prayer: Monday through Friday at 5:00 PM with Fr. Michael Fincher [ONLINE](#). Documents for Evening Prayer are: [Evening Prayer Text \(BCP\)](#) [Psalms for Evening Prayer](#)

Blessing of the Animals:

We will be having our annual Blessing of the Animals service on Saturday, October 2nd at 11:00 AM. The brief service will include several prayers attributed to St. Francis followed by individual blessings of all animals present. The service will be held outdoors in the courtyard outside the Parish Hall. Even though outdoors, we do ask that all human guests wear masks. For the comfort and safety of all concerned, human and non-human guests alike, we do ask that a few ground rules be honored. Please restrain all animals. They should be on leashes (if appropriate) or in carriers. And please clean-up any messes your pet makes. If you are not able to, or are uncomfortable bringing your pet, or if your pet is uncomfortable coming out, you can bring a picture of your pet or one of your pet's favorite toys, which we will bless instead.

Feed My Lambs & Food Bank Needs:

Our parish feeding programs need your help!

- **Feed My Lambs** has the following needs:
 - **SOUP!!! Bear Creek Broccoli Cheddar is their favorite. We are almost out. Please bring to church on Sundays or have it delivered to Tamera's house. Her information is listed in the online directory.**
 - **Hardboiled Eggs** -- Please contact Tamera (562) 301-6800, if you will be donating eggs in October. We really need to have 200 donated at the most. They can be dropped off Wednesday, September 29 from 10am to 12pm or on Friday, October 1 from 11am to 3pm. If these times do not work, contact Tamera and she will arrange a convenient time to meet you at the church.
 - **Homemade Cookies -- PLEASE NO COOKIES FOR OCTOBER.** We have some pre-packed cookies that are expiring and need to be used.
 - **Clothing and Comfort Items** -- Only men's or women's belts, shoes, and underwear or bras at this time, please.
 - **Volunteers** -- We have plenty of volunteers at this time! Thanks for all your support!!!

If you have questions about helping out with Feed My Lambs, contact Tamera Benedict (tlbenedict4@gmail.com, 562.301.6800)

- **Food Bank** has the following needs:
 - **Donations of Food** -- We especially need canned corn, canned green vegetables, pasta sauce, rice and ramen.
 - **Volunteers** -- We need volunteers to assist with the Food Bank distribution on the first Wednesday of the month between 9am and 11:30am.

Please contact Bill Eldon (billeldon@gmail.com, 562.234.9920) for more information about the Food Bank.

Your continued support of our feeding ministries, through product and monetary contributions, is greatly appreciated!

Gratitude for Your Support of the Parish:

We continue to be humbled and so incredibly grateful for your generosity in supporting our parish and its ministries! While you may not be able to drop your donation in a real offering plate, there are still ways you can make sure your donation gets to the parish:

- You can mail your check to the parish office.
- Make donations through our online payment account, accessible through the parish website at <http://stgregoryschurch.com/4721-2/>.
- Scan the QR code found in the Sunday bulletin.

And again, THANK YOU for your continued support!

Online Parish Directory:

Our online parish directory is at <https://www.instantchurchdirectory.com/>. This is a secure site and can be accessed using the email address you had published in the parish directory. You can also download the "Instant Church Directory" on your smart phone. Versions are available for Android, iPhone, iPad, and Kindle.

One Body & One Spirit Emergency Appeal:

The Diocese has established an emergency fund to assist congregations, diocesan institutions, and their employees, who have been affected by the COVID-19 shutdowns. We are encouraged to prayerfully consider making a donation to help others in need, if we have the capacity to do so. More information is available at https://diocesela.org/uncategorized/covid-19_emergency-appeal/.

Forward Day By Day:

For those who use the "Forward Day by Day" booklet for personal devotions, contact Kevin so he can know to send it to you while the office is closed. (562) 420-1311 or info@stgregoryschurch.com

In Case of Emergency...Notify Your Priest! In the event of a pastoral emergency (i.e., hospital stay, illness, being homebound), please notify Fr. Michael or the Parish Office. You can call the Parish Office at 562-420-1311. If no one answers, dial 302 for Fr. Michael's extension and leave a message on his voicemail. Or you can call Fr. Michael directly on his cell phone at 909-373-6478. And PLEASE, no excuses about not wanting to bother me. That's why I'm here - for YOU!

St. Gregory's Food Bank:

Our monthly Food Bank distribution takes place the first Wednesday of every month. This ministry helps us help our neighbors by providing a supplemental source of groceries. We CANNOT do this without your generosity. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

This month we served 24 people!



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Pastoral Care Note

When you are ill and not able to attend services at church, Clergy would like to know. They will visit you at your home or in the hospital. They will bring Holy Communion and the love of the congregation as well as prayers to your bedside. Please contact the parish office, 562 420 1311.

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