



Parish Advent Confession Night

St. Gregory's will have its annual Advent Confession Night on Friday, **December 13th at 6:00pm**. There will be three priests available for confessions. Please take advantage of this time as it will be your only major opportunity before the celebration of Christmas.



Community Carol Event

Our St. Gregory Church Choir will be among many other choirs for an evening of Christmas carols, readings and featuring organist Murry Baer.

All are invited!

The event is on Sunday December 1st, at 6:30 pm, at the Picton United Church. Free-will donations go to the Back-the-Build campaign for the new hospital.



Tree of Giving

The 3rd Annual **Tree of Giving** will be set up inside the side door for the next two weekends (until December 8th). 'Tis the season for sharing and once again our two community food banks prepare Christmas hampers with special items for family members as well as a variety of nutritious food items. Please join

the Pastoral Care and Outreach Ministry to collect new hats, scarves, mitts for men, women and children. Also, canned fish or meat, peanut butter, granola bars and Christmas treats would be welcomed. We will deliver these to the food banks on December 9th, the deadline for their Christmas donations.

Our Weekly Collections



Thank you for your generous offerings, which help us meet our operating costs. We are blessed with our parishioners.

November 17th Regular Offering:	\$1,125.00
Repair & Maintenance:	\$ 150.00
Other: (e.g. donations, gift shop)	\$ 140.00
Total:	\$1,415.00
Priests' Retirement Fund	\$ 100.00



2025 Offertory Envelopes Available Next Weekend

2025 Sunday Offertory envelopes will be available for pick up at the back of the church next weekend (December 1). Parishioners who do not currently have offertory envelopes, and would like a box envelopes for the New Year, please contact or visit the parish office.

St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church

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Web site: www.st-gregory-picton.ca

Fr. George Okoye, SMMM
Administrator

St. Frances of Rome Church (Summer Mission)

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Weekend Mass will resume in May 2025

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Christ the King

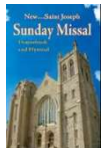


*“Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:
‘I am the First and I am the Last; Besides Me there is no God.’ Isaiah 44:6*

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Monday	Nov. 25	NO MASS	
Tuesday	Nov. 26		Memory of Lois McKeown Requested by Janet & Marcel Parisien
		10:00am at McFarland	
Wednesday	Nov. 27	8:30am	Memory of Deceased Members of the Margueratt & Price Families
Thursday	Nov. 28	12:30pm	Memory of Gerald McAuley Requested by Laura McAuley
Friday	Nov. 29	8:30am	Memory of Tom Langan and John Smith Requested by Laura & Doug Smith
		9:00am-9:15am	Adoration and Exposition
Saturday	Nov. 30	5:00pm	Memory of Brian McAdam Requested by David & Nancy Covell
Sunday	Dec. 1	10:00am	Missa Pro Populo



2025 Missals...Are Here!

The Missals are now available to purchase for a **minimum donation of \$5.00** at the Gift Shop before and after weekend Masses, and at the Parish office during office hours.



Rushnell Funeral Homes Inc. Holiday Memorial Service

Join Rushnell for a special *HOLIDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE* to honour and remember loved ones who are no longer with us.

Date: Thursday December 5th, 2024

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Rushnell Funeral Homes, Picton Chapel, 33 Main St. W.

Complimentary light refreshments to follow. Whether you are grieving or simply wish to support those who are, all are welcome. For more information, please contact 613-476-2450



Christmas Cards

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards again this Sunday (November 24th) after Mass at the main entrance of the church.

PRAYER REQUESTS



Pray for the sick and homebound of:

Our Parish



Pray for the repose of the Soul of:

George Higden



Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:

Norine Holmes



Feast of Christ the King

The Church's liturgical year concludes with this feast of Christ the King, instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to celebrate the Jubilee Year and the 16th centenary of the Council of Nicaea. Instituting this feast, Pope Pius XI proclaimed: "*Pax Christi in regno Christi*" ("The peace of Christ in the reign of Christ"). This feast was established and proclaimed by the Pope to reassert the sovereignty of Christ and the Church over all forms of government and to remind Christians of the fidelity and loyalty they owed to Christ, who by his Incarnation and sacrificial death on the cross had made them both adopted children of God and future citizens and heirs of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Christ is our spiritual King and Ruler who rules by truth and love. We declare our loyalty to him by the quality of our Christian commitment, expressed in our serving of others with sacrificial and forgiving love, and by our solidarity with the poor.

...[We] honour Christ as the King of the Universe and the King of our hearts by allowing him to take control of our lives. In thousands of human hearts all over the world, Jesus still reigns as King. The Cross is his throne and the Sermon on the Mount, his rule of law. His citizens need obey only one major law: "Love God with all your being, and love others as I have loved you." His love is selfless, compassionate, forgiving, and unconditional. He is a King with a saving and liberating mission: freeing us from all types of bondage, enabling us to live peacefully and happily on earth, and promising us an inheritance in the eternal life of heaven.

Source: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2019-11/sunday-reflection-vatican-news1.html>

Ordinary time now ends and we prepare for Advent