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New St. Gregory Catholic School Breaks Ground

Ground was broken on April 23, 2026 at the new St. Gregory School on Talbot Street. Father George attended this ground breaking ceremony and blessed the land and the school along with its teachers and students. *"May this school be a place of truth"*.

Financials Update for the First Three Months of 2026

The below chart provides financial information to show the parish income and expenses for the first quarter of 2026. Income includes offertory collections and other sources of income, such as votive candles, repair and maintenance, Masses, gift shop purchases. Expenses include bills to pay (e.g. gas, hydro, water, phone), salaries, property taxes, church and altar supplies, office supplies, etc.

The expenses include $9,968 relating to the new camera security system for which we received a $7,500 government grant the prior year.

Excluded from the expenses will be any construction costs for the new Church steps.

Parish Financials Overview: January – March 2026

Income	$47,856
Expenses	$69,531
Net Loss	($21,675)

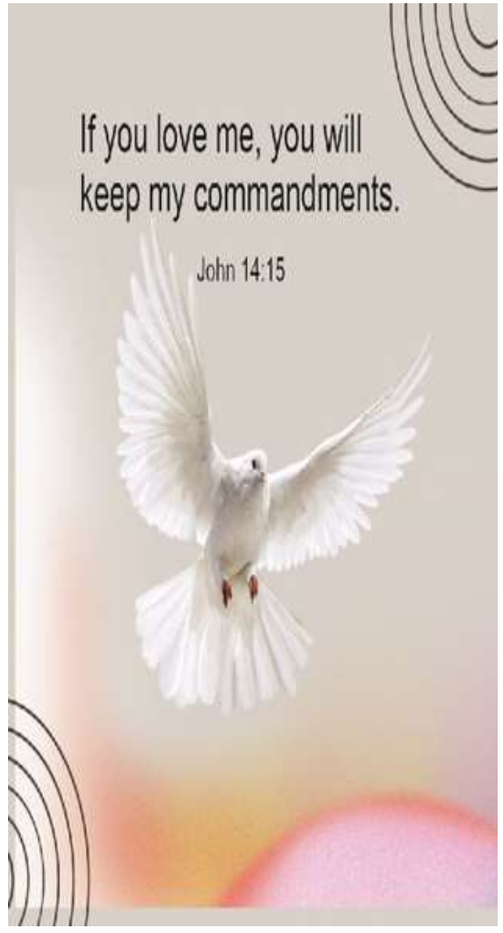
Thank you for your continued generosity!

St. Gregory the Great
Roman Catholic Church

7 Church Street
Picton, ON K0K 2T0
(613) 476-6276
www.st-gregory-picton.ca

St. Frances of Rome Church (Summer Mission)
67 Belleville Street, Wellington ON K0K 3L0
Sunday Mass at 11:30 AM from May 31, 2026 – October 4, 2026

6th Sunday of Easter
May 10, 2026



Our Mission: We are a Catholic Parish in Prince Edward County committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: To foster Christian Stewardship as a "Way of Life" in which individuals more fully live their baptismal call to discipleship through intentional, planned, proportionate giving of time, talent and treasure in response to God's generosity.

Parish Hours

Daily Mass

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday* – Thursday	12:30 PM
Friday**	8:30 AM

* Refer to weekly bulletin for any changes
** Adoration and Exposition follows Friday Masses

Weekend Mass

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Daily – phone the office

Office Hours

Tuesday – Thursday	10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

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A Catholic community of faith in Prince Edward County since 1836

6th Sunday of Easter – May 10, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 11 **NO MASS**

Tuesday, May 12
10:00 AM at West Lake Terrace

Wednesday, May 13
12:30 PM

Thursday, May 14
12:30 PM

Friday, May 15
9:30 AM **Rosary**
10:00 AM **School Mass** followed by
Adoration & Exposition

Saturday, May 16 **Kathleen & Allan Stoddard, RIP**
5:00 PM Josephine Stoddard

Sunday, May 17
10:00 AM For the People of Our Parish

Prayer Requests

Pray for the sick and homebound of our Parish, especially:

Alf Gannon
Owen Gray

Pray for the repose of the souls of deceased members of St. Gregory the Great Parish.

Sanctuary Lamp is lit for the intentions of the parishioners of St. Gregory the Great parish.

Our Lady of Fátima Feast Day – May 13th

On May 13, 1917, a young woman clothed in white appeared to three shepherd children in a field near Fátima, Portugal. She asked them to pray the Rosary every day, to do penance for sinners, and to return to that same place on the 13th of each month. She told them her name only at the final apparition: the Lady of the Rosary.

The Message of Fátima — Then and Now

Our Lady's message at Fátima was urgent and clear. She came at a moment of great suffering — World War I was raging — with a call to prayer and penance that the Church has never stopped proclaiming.

Her three requests remain as relevant in 2026 as they were in 1917:

- Pray the Rosary every day — for peace in the world and the conversion of sinners
- Do penance — small sacrifices offered with love, united to the suffering of Christ
- Consecrate your heart to her son

Pope John Paul II, who survived an assassination attempt on May 13, 1981 — the exact anniversary of the first apparition — credited Our Lady of Fátima with saving his life. He later donated the bullet that struck him to the Fátima shrine, where it was placed in the crown of her statue. More than a century later, her message has not changed.

On May 13, 2026, the Church celebrates the anniversary of that first apparition — and invites all Catholics to renew their response to her call.

Quilt for the 200th Anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston

For the 200th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston, parishes were asked to create a commemorative quilt for the occasion. Members of the Catholic Churches in the Archdiocese each created a block that represents its parish. The design of each block was left to each parish. The only criteria was that it needed to represent the parish.

St. Gregory's participated in this initiative and its block is included in this beautiful quilt. Visit our website and click on the **200th anniversary of the archdiocese of Kingston** tab to see the full quilt and to watch a video that provides interesting information about each quilt block.

We are calling the third Sunday of every month ***Food Bank Sunday***. Times are difficult for many in our community, and your generosity can make a real difference. Next Sunday – **May 17th** – is the third Sunday this month. Please consider bringing non-perishable food items to help fill the baskets at the back of the church and at the side entrance. Thank you for supporting families in need.

On behalf of the **Mount Olivet Cemetery Board**, many thanks to the crew who came to the cemetery last Sunday. Doug and Laura Smith, Cheryl Moggridge, Linnie Thissen, Ann Cooper, David Kettle, Ray Prevost, Pat Heffernan and Shannon Hensman and her nephew Alex from Kingston – thank you! Many hands did make light work! Thank you also to Pat for bringing his trailer to help remove leaves.

We shared lots of chat and everyone remarked on how beautiful the cemetery is! It was a privilege for all of us to beautify the space where many have families, and to get it ready for Mother's Day. Many thanks again, God is good! Mary Dreifelds

Hospice Prince Edward Looking for Volunteers

Hospice Prince Edward is looking for volunteers for its Grief & Bereavement Support Program. Grief & Bereavement Support volunteers provide companioning 1:1 support to those mourning the loss of a loved one. A 26-hour comprehensive training course is provided. For more information or to apply call 613-645-4040 ext 204 or complete the online application at www.hospiceprinceedward.ca

The CWL honours Moms & Babes in May

"Blessed are the poor…" As parishioners, we can make a difference for those families struggling with the expenses of a new baby. The bassinet at the side door is waiting for your gifts to help the local food bank serve their needs; diapers (sizes 5 & 6 preferably), wipes, baby cereal, vaseline, tiny boys' clothes, soft blankets. We are people of faith, grounded in prayer. Our actions have impact. "For theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

An Irish Blessing for Mother's Day

There is but one and only one, whose love will fail you never.
One who lives from sun to sun, with constant fond endeavour.

There is but one and only one, on earth there is no other.
In heaven a noble work was done when God gave us a Mother.
- Author Unknown