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Financials Update for the First Seven Months of 2026

The chart below provides financial information to show the parish income and expenses for the first seven months 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, insurance, 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 – July 2026

Income	$152,249
Expenses	$163,864
Net Loss	($11,615)

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

August 16, 2026
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things—St. Gregory the Great

Parish Organizations & Ministries

Catholic Women's League – Mary Lynn Lester
Knights of Columbus – Dan Gannon
St. Vincent de Paul – Gioi Giavon
Parish Pastoral Council – Tim Ernst
Property & Finance Committee – Erin Walker
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers–Gail MacDougall
Pastoral Care Outreach – Colleen Hill
Parish Choir – Sat. 5:00 PM – David Bongard
Parish Choir – Sun. 10:00 AM – Cheryl Moggridge
Becoming Catholic: RCIA – Tim Ernst
Youth Ministry – Gail MacDougall
Liturgical Art & Environment – Bea Papiz
Screening Committee – Tim Ernst
Mount Olivet Cemetery – Mary Dreifelds

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

Parish Contacts

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A Catholic community of faith in Prince Edward County since 1836

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 16, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 15
9:00 AM The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
5:00 PM Regular Sunday Mass

Sunday, August 16
10:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
11:30 AM at St. Frances of Rome **S.I. Elaine Black**
Liz Brown

Monday, August 17 **NO MASS**

Tuesday, August 18
10:00 AM at Hallowell (No Mass at MLP)

Wednesday, August 19
12:30 PM

Thursday, August 20
12:30 PM

Friday, August 21
8:30 AM followed by Adoration & Exposition

Prayer Requests

Pray for the sick and homebound of our Parish,

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

Sanctuary Lamp is lit in memory of:

Aldea McKenna

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – August 15th

On August 15th, Catholics and many other Christians celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

Venerable Pope Pius XII confirmed this belief about the Virgin Mary as the perennial teaching of the Church when he defined it formally as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950, invoking papal infallibility to proclaim, "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

Although the bodily assumption of Mary is not explicitly recorded in Scripture, Catholic tradition identifies her with the "woman clothed with the sun" who is described in the 12th chapter of the Book of Revelation.

The fact that Mary is already in heaven in body and soul fills us with joy and hope, as a creature of God has reached heaven; like her, we too, as children of God, are called to reach that destination. Mary's future, united to Jesus' glorified body, is also the future that awaits those of us who are united to Him in faith and love.

"Mary is assumed into heaven: small and humble, she is the first to receive the highest glory. She, a human creature, one of us, attains eternity in soul and body. And there she awaits us as a mother waits for her children to come home."---Pope St. John Paul II

Register at Our Parish

Welcome to St. Gregory's! Register to fully participate, connect with our community, and help us serve you better. If you live outside of the County but worship here in the summers, please also register as you are an important part of our community. Please complete the yellow registration form by the church doors, and return completed forms in the boxes by the doors, or to the Parish Office or drop your completed form in the collection basket during weekend Mass.

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https://www.alcdsb.on.ca/apps/pages/taxsupport

Schedule of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers		5:00 PM	10:00 AM	11:30 AM
August 15/16	Lectors	Maisie C. Terry S.	Mary M. Ray P.	Liz B. Skylar G.
	Eucharistic Minister	Dan G.	Shelly P.	
August 22/23	Lectors	Melissa G. Dan G.	Colleen H. Effy M.	Ray P. Gail M.
	Eucharistic Minister	Dan G.	Erin W.	
August 29/30	Lectors	Terry S. Maisie C.	Bea P. Annabelle M.	Liz B. Ray P.
	Eucharistic Minister	Dan G.	Shelley P.	
September 5/6	Lectors	Melissa G. Dan G.	Barb L. Erin W.	Skylar G. Gail M.
	Eucharistic Minister	Dan G.	Bea P.	

Photos Now Available from Father George's 20th Anniversary Celebration

Thank you to parishioner Reggie D'Souza for assuming the role of Photographer at Father George's 20th Anniversary Celebration Mass and dinner this past July 24th. If you have misplaced the access information to these photos, please contact the parish office for assistance.

"May we know You more clearly, love You more dearly, and follow You more nearly, day by day."—St. Richard of Chichester