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| Upcoming Meetings | Date | Time | Notes |
|---|---|---|---|
| Knights of Columbus | Tuesday, Oct. 13 | 7:00 PM | Meeting at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 399 Victoria Ave., Belleville. New members welcome to attend! |
| Property & Finance | Thursday, Oct. 15 | 4:30 PM | |
| St. Vincent de Paul | Thursday, Nov. 5 | 10:30 AM | We welcome new members and invite interested parishioners to attend this meeting. |
| Knights of Columbus | Tuesday, Nov. 10 | 7:00 PM | Meeting at St. Gregory's Church. New Members welcome to attend! |
| Property & Finance | Thursday, Nov. 19 | 4:30 PM | |

**SOCTOBER: Warmth for the Winter**

Baskets are at the doors of the Church for the next 4 weeks to collect new warm socks for the homeless and poor in our community. The CWL thanks you for your kind 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
**Weekend Mass will resume in May 2027**

**October 11, 2026**
**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**"If the work of God could be comprehended by reason, it would no longer be wonderful, and faith would have no merit if reason provided proof."**
**—St. Gregory the Great**

**Parish Organizations & Ministries**
Catholic Women's League – Ann Galvin
Knights of Columbus – Dan Gannon
St. Vincent de Paul – Gioi Giavon
Parish Pastoral Council – Tim Ernst
Property & Finance Committee – Erin Walker
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers–Celine Andrews
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**

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| 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**

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| Saturday | 5:00 PM |
| Sunday | 10:00 AM |

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**
Daily – phone the office

**Office Hours**

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|---|---|
| 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*

# Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 11, 2026

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, October 10** **Andre Bissonnette, RIP**
5:00 PM Serge Bissonnette

**Sunday, October 11**
10:00 AM For the People of Our Parish

**Monday, October 12** **NO MASS**

**Tuesday, October 13** **John Cannan, RIP**
10:00 AM at West Lake Barbara Schubert

**Wednesday, October 14**
12:30 PM **Konstantinos Chalaidopoulos, RIP**
Serge Bissonnette

**Thursday, October 15** **Leona DeGenova, RIP**
12:30 PM Don DeGenova

**Friday, October 16** **Andre Bissonnette, RIP**
8:30 AM followed by Serge Bissonnette
Rosary, Adoration & Exposition

**Saturday, October 17** **Jeannine Bourgard, RIP**
5:00 PM Colleen & David Hill

**Sunday, October 18**
10:00 AM For the People of Our Parish

## Prayer Requests

Pray for the sick and homebound of our Parish, especially Constable Jeff Smith and Francis Cassy.

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

Sanctuary Lamp is lit for a blessed Thanksgiving for all parishioners and their families.

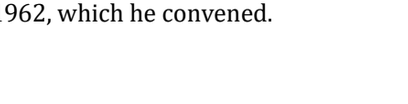
"Religious experience is an essential dimension of the human person. Without it, it is difficult, if not impossible, to bring about the purification of the heart necessary for building peaceful relationships."—Pope Leo XIV

**Pope John XXIII Feast Day – October 11th**

Born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, Pope John XXIII was the head of the Catholic Church from 1958 to 1963. He was known for his openness to change and his role in the Second Vatican Council, which aimed to modernize the Church. His papacy was marked by his emphasis on peace, equality, and the Church's mission in the modern world.

When on October 20, 1958 the cardinals, assembled in conclave, elected Angelo Roncalli as pope, many regarded him, because of his age and ambiguous reputation, as a transitional pope, little realizing that the pontificate of this man of 76 years would mark a turning point in history and initiate a new age for the Church. He took the name of John in honour of the precursor and the beloved disciple—but also because it was the name of a long line of popes whose pontificates had been short.

John XXIII was a cardinal-priest of Santa Prisca and the Patriarch of Venice before becoming pope. He was beatified on September 3, 2000 by Pope John Paul II and canonized on April 27, 2014 in St. Peter's Square, Vatican City by Pope Francis. His feast day is celebrated on October 11. This date also commemorates the opening of the Second Vatican Council on October 11, 1962, which he convened.



**Thank You Hagerman Farms**

Saint Gregory's extends heartfelt thanks to Hagerman Farms for their donation of colourful pumpkins and gourds which decorate our sanctuary in a special way for Thanksgiving. We are reminded of the bounty of treasures we have in rural life in Prince Edward County and give thanks for the richness found in our families, friends and neighbours.

**Thank You Parishioners**

A special thanks to parishioners for your kind flower donation offerings. The fall flowers and plants are beautiful expressions of gratitude for our many blessings.

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks.

In this harvest time, we give thanks to you, O Lord, for your gift of yourself, for our faith, family, and friends, for health and country, and for the gift of life. As we gather on this Thanksgiving, we at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Parish ask the Lord's blessing for each other, for our community, our nation, and for you, our parishioners and dear visitors in Christ.

This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

**All Souls Day – November 2, 2026**

You may request to have a candle burn in November for your deceased loved ones. The candles will be placed on the steps of the sanctuary in front of the pulpit and lit for each Mass in November.

*Candles may be purchased at the Gift Store for $10.*

**Next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday!**

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 – **October 18th –** 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.

**Congratulations to Newlyweds Naomi Soeandy and Ray Gervais!**

Naomi and Ray celebrated their wedding on Saturday, October 10th here at St. Gregory's Parish. We rejoice with them as they begin their journey together in faith and love.

***God is love, and those who remain in love Remain in God and God remains in them.*** **1 John 4:16**

Happy Thanksgiving