

Week 16

December 8, 2025

Advent Blessings Weekly Update

Thank you so much for participating in last week's events. We had a wonderful turnout at our Advent Prayer Service and Tree Lighting. Your presence and support truly helped us begin this sacred season with joy, community, and reflection.

We are also deeply grateful for your generosity toward the Andy Ramon Toy Drive. Your contributions will make a lasting impact on the children who will receive these gifts—children who may have otherwise had nothing under the tree this year. we collected over 100 toys! Thank you for sharing the light of Christ through your kindness and charity.

As we continue journeying through Advent, preparing our hearts for the coming of Jesus, we look forward to another busy and blessed week together as a community.



WINTER GEAR PRE-ORDER #2 CLOSES TODAY!













Plan Your Week

In order to help plan your child's week, we have included our uniform schedule for the week.

Day of the Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Dress Code	Mass Uniform	Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform
Schedule	Mass	Regular	Regular	Regular	Regular
Mark your Calendar	Mass: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception- led by 5th grade PTC Room Parent Meeting 6pm		ECH Christmas Program 8:15 am in the Gym 2 nd Grade Meet the Teacher 4pm		Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service 2:45 pm in the Church



Did you know our Event calendar is posted on our website for the entire year? Plan ahead and visit our website homepage for a list of events for the entire school year!

<u>Crave-It</u> Lunch Pre-Order

Register for a Crave It Lunch Account. Crave-it is our school lunch caterer.

Academic Calendar

Our School Calendar is posted for the entire year on our school website and is updated regularly.

FACTS Demographic Updates

Need to make a change to your FACTS pick up list, address or phone number change? Click the icon and our school office will make the changes for you.



St. Gregory Catholic Church

Father Richard warmly invites your family to celebrate Sunday Mass with us! Join us Saturdays at 5:30 pm or Sundays at 8:00 am, 10:00 am, or 12:00 pm (Spanish). We'd love to see you there as we come together in faith and community!



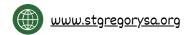
"I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him." Romans 15:13

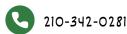


VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Looking to complete your family service hours? We have volunteer opportunities waiting for you! Click the links below to sign up and get involved.

- Spirit Lunch Runner
- Kona Ice Day Volunteer
- Monthly Community Mass Sign Up
- <u>December 14th BINGO</u> Volunteers Needed







Save the Date: February 4, 2026 Applications Open

TEFA (Education Savings Account) Application Workshop February 5, 2026 at 5pm in the Parish Hall

Learn more:archsa.org/catholic-schools/esa

2026/2027 Grant & Aid Application

The FACTS Grant & Aid application opens December 1, 2025, for the 2026/2027 school year. Hope for the Future and St. Gregory utilize this application for awarding financial assistance to families. We encourage all families to apply; there is a \$45.00 application fee. The Grant & Aid application will open December 1, 2025, and will close on June 30, 2026. We will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Hope for the Future Tuition Assistance Program

The Hope for the Future (HFF) Tuition Assistance Program is designed for families and students currently enrolled or applying for the next school year in any Catholic school, grades K-12, in the Archdiocese of San Antonio. A family must apply each year through the FACTS Grant and Aid Application to qualify for financial assistance. Each year, awards are offered to Kinder–12th grade students based on available funding. These awards are given to offset current tuition costs for families. Awards are determined based on a number of factors including, but not limited to, family income, expenses, and family size. All students attending Kinder–12th grade in a Catholic school within the Archdiocese of San Antonio are eligible to apply.

Know a Family looking for a School?
Invite them to tour our school!





- Students that attended Mass yesterday and wore their school uniform will be receiving their FDD passes today!
- Santa Pictures will go home this week!





Contact Hope Rodriguez (210) 342-0281 ext 326









ST. GREGORY THE GREAT



Doors open at 12:30pm; Bingo 1:30pm 709 Beryl Street San Antonio, TX 78213



\$15 for 15 games \$50 for 4 cards \$50 gift card prizes Specials- 2 for \$5









Club Sponsor: Ms. Samantha Tavitas

Cost: \$35 a month Grades: 1st-8th grade

Club begins: Wednesday, November 12th Meet once a month from 3:45-4:45 p.m.

Lessons:

- 1. Introduction/ what are different gardening tools? Different shovels/ rakes/ dirt or soil for plants. (Nov. 12)
- 2. Different plants, flowers, veggies, herbs. All plants are important. (Dec. 10)
- 3. Bugs?!? But they help! Ladybugs, butterflies or caterpillars. All have a place where they belong in the garden! Don't kill feed them. They will feed us. (Jan when winter break is over? 14 or 21?)
- 4. There's no such thing as weeds, all plants are beautiful. People are allowed to have their own opinions. Intro to wildflowers. (Feb. 11)
 - 5. Native wildflower, native plants. What native means to plants. (Mar. 11)

Hello Parents,

My name is Tia Sam. I've been a part of the wonderful StG family for a little over 11 years, supporting behind the scenes. I have a nephew that is an alumnus and a nephew currently attending, so this community is very special to me.

I am excited to welcome students from all grade levels to join the Garden Club. Whether they are ready to start right away or prefer to join later in the year, the garden is always open and waiting for them.

There will be a small monthly fee of \$35 to help cover supplies for all students. This allows each child to plant, learn, and leave something lasting on campus for the future. At the end of the year, each child will also take home their own garden shovel as a keepsake.

As the seasons change, our meeting schedule will adjust. We may begin meeting once a month and increase to twice a month when the weather allows. All members of the Garden Club will be gathering in the courtyard immediately following dismissal, club will end by 4:45 pm the latest.

If your child is interested, please encourage them to join. Planting even the smallest seed can grow into something truly beautiful.

Thank you, Tia Sam