GREAT WEEK AIREAD



Week 8

October 5, 2025

Faith, Focus, and Finishing Strong! — Week 8

We've had another fantastic week at StG! Today, we celebrated all our victories with our amazing student athletes.

Our Charger Football Team took home the win against St. Pius this past week!

⑤ Our Charger Volleyball Teams brought the energy for this week's Pink Out Game—and both teams came out on top! ﴾

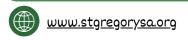
- A Team currently holds 1st place in the district
- B Team is right behind in 2nd place

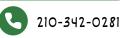
With just one more district game to go, our Chargers are determined to finish strong! A huge shout-out to Coach Mermella for her leadership, dedication, and the heart she pours into our teams every game. On Friday, we celebrated our 8th Grade Cross Ceremony—a beloved StG tradition where our 8th graders receive a special cross engraved with the school logo and their graduation year. It was a beautiful celebration shared with parents and our school community.

As we enter the final week of our 1st quarter, let's finish strong, Chargers!

Attention Parents and Students (Grades 4–8)

Altar server training will be held on Saturday,
October 11, 2025, at 10:00 AM. A parent or
guardian must be present during the session.
Students in grades 4 through 8 who are interested
in becoming altar servers are invited to attend.





Join Us Wednesday for Our Smart Families Presentation!

We invite you to join us for a special Smart Families presentation this Wednesday evening!

→ Parent Incentives:

- Parents who attend will receive one parent service hour
- Your child will receive a Free Dress Day pass for Thursday

Student Activity:

While parents attend the presentation, students are invited to enjoy an educational and fun presentation from JC the Snake Guy in the school library.

E No Homework Night!

To encourage family participation, teachers will not assign homework this night.

We look forward to seeing your family there for an evening of learning and community!

JOIN US ON OCTOBER 8 AT 6:00 PM

Parent Education



Unveiling the Impact of Technology on Child Development

Learn how technology use impacts academic, emotional, and relational functioning from Dr. Jodi Hunt, PhD.



Location: StG Parish Hall



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	Spirit Shirt w/ Uniform Bottoms or Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform	Regular Uniform	Mass Uniform
Schedule	Regular	Regular	Regular	Regular	Mass
Events	Blessing of the Pets at 2:45 in the school courtyard 8th Grade High School Visit to Holy Cross Room Parent Meeting 6pm Parish Hall	ECH Swim School Day 1	Smart Families Presentation at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall ECH Swim School Day 2	Peter Piper Spirit Night Fredericksburg Location ECH Swim School Day 3	End of 1 st Qtr Mass led by 3 rd Grade at 8:15 am ECH Swim School Day 4



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.

Parents should not release child(ren) from vehicles in car line BEFORE 7:45am



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



Free Dress Mondays in October

The following grade levels earned free dress Monday's in October for our Big Give Incentive. Thank you for your support!

PK-3

PK-4

Kinder

2nd Grade

3rd Grade

4th Grade

5th Grade

6th Grade

7th Grade

8th Grade



fundraiser!

St. Gregory the Great Catholic School

October9,2025 • 11am - 9pm

4474FredericksburgRd. • (210)732-1166

Thanks for your support!
Please show this flyer or
mention the school at the register.

15% DONATED BACK



the school courtyard for the blessing.



Students are encouraged to come dressed in their costumes. Candy donations from each student is needed. Please send in candy by September 22, 2025





ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Monday, October 13 -Friday, October 17th

THEME DRESS DAYS



MONDAY

The Bobcats won't see us coming. Dress in your favorite Camo Gear

TUESDAY

We are going to send them out of this world. Dress in Neon/ Glow attire. Glow Dance at 2pm

WEDNESDAY

Anything but a backpack because we are going to send the Bobcats a packing.

THURSDAY

Extreme Green Out. Dress in Green.

Pep Rally at 2:45 pm

FRIDAY

Mass Uniform

HOCO DANCE

Friday 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm Grades 5th - 8th

> Tickets: \$ 10 Presale



Important

Students must abide by Free Dress Day Guidelines in the Student/Parent Handbook



Support our Parish Events

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CHURCH — Where Everybody is Somebody Parish Ministries Turkey Bingo and BBQ Plate



www.stgregorys.net (210) 342-5271

Parish Thanksgiving Celebration

St. Gregory's Hall Holden Hall 709 Beryl Dr.

15 Games only \$15.00 4 Tickets—\$50 5 Specials—\$3.00 (each) Door and Consolation prices No te lo puedes perder!!! Sunday, November 16, 2025
Kitchen Open at Noon
Bingo Start at 1pm 'till 5:00pm
Come enjoy food, fun, and bingo
games.
Admission is FREE.







WHAT IS AN EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT?

An Education SavingsAccount (ESA) isanewstate program that gives families access to funds (~\$10,000 per child) to use for approved educational expenses, including Catholic school tuition, uniforms, technology, tutoring and more.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Anystudentwho iseligible to enroll in a Texas public school may apply. This includes students currently in public, private, or homeschool settings, as well as those entering kindergarten. ESAs will be distributed through a lottery system, so every eligible family is encouraged to submit an application.

WHEN DOES THE PROGRAM START?

ApplicationsopeninJanuary2026, with funds available for the 2026-2027 school year.

HOW DO ESA'S HELP CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAMILIES?

Formany families, tuition costhasbeen the biggest barrier to Catholic education. With ESAs, the doors to Catholic schools are more open than ever—making an excellent, faith-filled education possible for more children.

CAN CURRENT CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAMILIES APPLY?

Yes.lfyour childiseligibletoenrollinaTexaspublicschool,youmayapplyforan ESA—even if your child is already attending a Catholic school.

DO I STILL NEED TO APPLY FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE (HOPE FOR THE FUTURE)?

Recognizing that not all families will receive an ESAaward for the upcoming 2026–2027 school year, tuition assistance will continue to be awarded to families who meet eligibility requirements for Hope for the Future (HFF). We know that Hope for the Future does not cover the full amount of tuition, but it is still an integral part of keeping our Catholic schools affordable for more families. HFF Application and Award information will be released this Fall, and all families are eligible to apply, though fund will be reserved for families who do not receive ESA funding.



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WHERE CAN I GET HELP WITH THE APPLICATION?

The Department of Catholic Schools- Archdiocese of San Antonio will provide ESA information sessions, step-by-step guides, and application workshops to help families through the process. Make sure to fill out the QR Code at the bottom to stay connected.

WHAT ARE THE "PRIORITY GROUPS" FOR FUNDING?

While every eligible family is encouraged to apply, the state has designated priority groups for funding distribution. Here is the breakdown of each funding group:

TIER 1: Students with a disability (defined by Texas Education Code Sec. 29.003) whose family income is

= or <500% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG)

TIER 2: Children whose family income is = or <200% of FPG

TIER 3: Children whose family income is between 200% and 500% of FPG

TIER 4: Everyone else (depends on available funds). Students who wish to transfer from public schools will be prioritized over currently enrolled private school students in this category only.

TEXAS ESA INCOME GUIDELINES

Number of people in household	200% of Poverty Guidelines Yearly Income	500% of Poverty Guidelines Yearly Income	
1	\$31,300	\$78,250	
2	\$42,300	\$105,750	
3	\$53,300	\$133,250	
4	\$64,300	\$160,750	
5	\$75,300	\$188,250	
6	\$83,920	\$215,750	
7	\$108,300	\$270,750	





