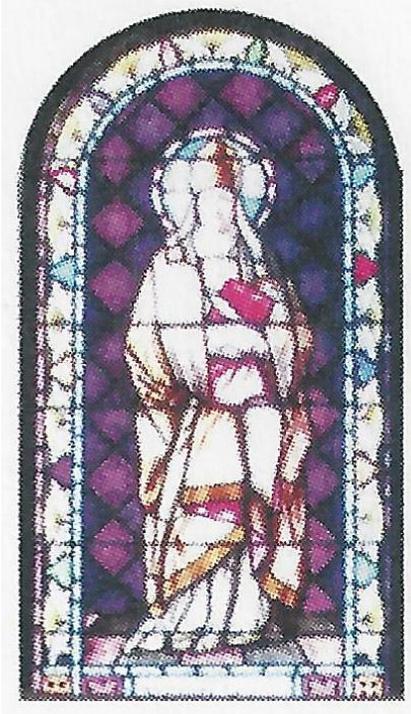


Treasures for Our New Church

You Can Make St. Gregory Great Again



St. Gregory
\$4,500.00

Vatican City – CNS

Ernesto Cardinal Oranecello, Prefect of the Congregation for the Cause of the Saints, declared this week that St. Gregory the Great's name would be changed to **St. Gregory the Orphan**. Cardinal Oranecello said that while this saint has not lost his greatness in the eyes of God, the fact is that his is the only window not yet donated to the new church for St. John the Baptist Parish, Harrison, Ohio, USA. The other four patriarchs of the Western Church have been donated. Since he remains alone, he will be known as "the Orphan." (The only other saint to hold this title is Little St. Annie.) "Of course," His Eminence stated, "should someone choose to donate the St. Gregory window, he would go back to being 'the Great' again, even greater than Mohammed Ali."

This window is one that will be above the sanctuary of the new church and was located to the far right in the sanctuary of the present church. It has been removed to serve as a template for the new frames of the four patriarch windows.

Why is St. Gregory called "the Great"? St. Gregory, early in life, renounced wealth and power and became a monk, living in relative isolation from the hubbub of sixth century Roman society. His wisdom brought thousands to seek his guidance, and his fame brought him to be elected Pope, a position he literally tried to escape, but he was brought back to Rome. The Church and society in Rome, as in many places in Europe, were in shambles because of the invasion of Attila the Hun. Gregory brought order, peace, and holiness to Church and society by his outstanding holiness and preaching. Among his sermons is one for bishops and priests urging them to be shepherds in the manner of Christ. It is a template for how clergy are to function to this day. For these reasons he is known as St. Gregory the Great.

Patens Pending



Communion Patens
\$375 each
(2 more needed)

Patens (not to be confused with "patents" from the US Patent & Trademark Office) are the plates which containing the Body of Christ for Holy Communion. In the new church, we will need eight of them. Six have already been donated; two more will complete the set.