

Welcome...to Music at St. Gregory's!

It is my great pleasure to present St. Gregory's 2025 Fall schedule of *Music at Four concerts, Evensongs, Major Feasts and Special Events*. I hope you will join us each month as we continue to offer a variety of musical experiences performed by some of the finest musicians in Southern California and beyond.


The beauty of St. Gregory's nave offers the ideal setting for you to experience exciting artists in extraordinary performances of traditional and new repertoire. Our monthly Music at Four concerts are followed by a reception with performers, providing you an opportunity to meet the musicians and enjoy refreshments.



As always, the support for these free events comes entirely from the Friends of Music at St. Gregory's and attendees of these wonderful events. I encourage you to become a member or renew your support with a tax-deductable donation today. Please help us to continue providing beautiful live music in a beautiful setting.

With Gratitude,  
*David York*  
Music Director

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## SUNDAY September 21, 2025

4:00 PM *Clarinet Quintets of Brahms & Mozart*

Up Close and Classical & Music at 4 unite to present a program of Clarinet Quintets. Clarinetist Peter Nevin joins some of the finest string players in Los Angeles in music by Johannes Brahms and W.A. Mozart.



## SUNDAY (Morning) October 19, 2025

10:15 AM *Gospel Mass*



Robert Ray

Drums and bass guitar, soloists and choir offer African-American composer Robert Ray's *Gospel Mass* during the Sunday morning Eucharist. Although this setting of the mass was premiered in 1979, it remains fresh in 2025 with rock, jazz, funk, blues and pop influences.

## SUNDAY October 19, 2025

4:00 PM *A Cellist's Musical Journey*

Local homegrown cellist Daniel Smith shares works of personal significance from his life. Starting at the first chapter of his cello journey at age 11, to his life's current chapter as a thirty-something professional cellist, come experience an intimate representation of a musical life well lived.



## SUNDAY November 16, 2025

4:00 PM *Kirkin' of the Tartan Evensong*

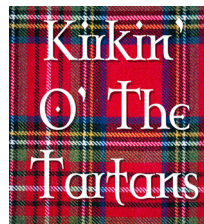
The sound of Bagpipes will fill the church in this festive Evensong service honoring St. Andrew, the patron Saint of Scotland. St.



Church in Long Beach.

Gregory's Choir and guests

will be conducted by Julie Ramsey, the recently retired Director of Music at Bay Shore Community Congregational



## SUNDAY (Morning) December 14, 2025

10:15 AM *A Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent*

This traditional service of readings and music is inspired by services held at King's College, Cambridge for over 100 years. Stories from biblical prophecies foretelling the birth of



Christ are interspersed with familiar Advent hymns and carols. St. Gregory's Choir sings music by G.F. Handel, John Gardner and Richard Shephard.

## SUNDAY December 21, 2025

4:00 PM *An International Christmas Celebration 2.0*

Carols and stories from near and far will be sung and read by St. Gregory's choir, soloists and instrumentalists. Join us for this musical celebration of traditions and cultures. You are invited to continue celebrating at the parish Christmas dinner which follows the concert.



## Wednesday December 24, 2025

7:00 PM *A Service for Christmas Eve*

The South Coast Brass joins choir and soloists in a service of familiar carols celebrating the birth of the Christ Child. An instrumental and choral prelude with music by H.C. Stewart,



Peter Hallock and Shawn Kirchner precedes the service at 6:30 pm.

## Your Support Helps to Bring Beautiful Music to St. Gregory's

Music is a powerful force that uplifts our spirits, deepens our worship and brings joy to our lives. For years, the live music at St. Gregory's has enriched our services and concerts, moving our hearts and minds with beautiful sounds.



Your generous support makes the beauty of musical arts come alive at St. Gregory's! Please prayerfully consider making a special contribution to our music ministry.



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