

St. Gertrude's Parish

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Gertrude's Parish is a believing community committed to manifesting Christ's love through celebrating the sacraments, sharing Gospel values, serving one another and all who hunger for Jesus.

PASTOR: Rev. Michael Hughes

ADMINISTRATION: Teresa Walsh

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Jasmin Dindial

PARISH OFFICE:

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Office Hours: Mon., Wed., Fri: 8:30-3:00 p.m.,
closed from 12-1:00 p.m. for lunch
Tues., Thurs 8:30-12:00 noon

Parish Email: stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org

Website: <https://stgertrudesos.archtoronto.org/>

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Mon., Wed., Thurs., at 8:00 a.m.

Friday at 12:10 p.m.

First Friday each month 7:30 p.m.

Saturdays and Holidays 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the parish office to arrange.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Sunday 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

12 months advanced notice required

Preparation course is a prerequisite:

Visit: catholicmarriageprep.com

PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Sir Albert Love School 905-728-3971

St. John Bosco School 905-743-6223

St. Kateri Tekakwitha School 905-571-1969

FEEDER SCHOOLS:

St. John XXIII Elementary School 905-723-1991

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ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 10th

9:00am Priests intentions
5:00pm + Connor Paul Martina

Sunday, December 11th

9:00am + Jasmina Rihar
11:00am + Mario Veltri
For Our Parish Community
6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

Monday, December 12th

8:00am Intentions of Beth Cook

Wednesday, December 14th

8:00am + John Serge

Thursday, December 15th

8:00am + Margaret Younger
+ Francesco Barone
+ Gloria Quinn

Friday, December 16th

12:10pm + Neil Brown

Saturday, December 17th

9:00am Priests intentions
5:00pm + Marielle Shields

Sunday, December 18th

9:00am + Antonio & Rosa Barbosa and
Deceased family members
11:00am For Our Parish Community
+ Severino Pulla, + Ziggy Oczko
+ Raymond & Dorothy McCabe
+ Christine & William Mawdsley
6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE



December 24th
4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm,



December 25th Christmas Day
10:00am, 12:00noon



December 31st
New Year's Eve
5:00pm
11:00pm Holy Hour
12:00am Midnight Mass
Pray out the old year – pray in the new year.



Solemnity of Mary
January 1st
New Year's Day
10:00am & 12noon

2023 PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES

Envelopes will be available from Dec. 10th -18th for pick up and then again following Christmas. Take a box, any box. It is very important to inform the office of your new envelope number. Please do so by completing the 'grey' envelope at the front of the box. These donations help us cover the cost of the envelopes while ensuring you are registered with the parish.

DO NOT USE NEW ENVELOPES UNTIL 2023

2022 Donations

Please ensure donations to be credited to your 2022 Income Tax Receipt are received by the parish no later than December 25th. It is acceptable to drop off your Christmas envelope early. Any donations received after that date will be credited to the following year.

ONLINE DONATIONS

Thank you to all who donate through the Archdiocesan website by either Debit or Credit Card. It is a new and easy way to make your donations. Please Note: Tax receipts for these donations will come directly from the Archdiocese.

Attention: Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors and Altar Servers

Please sign up for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. We need many helpers to cover our masses and the earlier you sign-up the better chance for us to be organized. Thanks for your time and assistance to this matter.





LECTIO: Salvation, New Life in Christ

Join us for a captivating Bible Study on Salvation

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Join us on Thursdays at 7:00PM, January 19th, 2023, to March 23, 2023 at the St. Gertrude's Parish Hall – **OR** – over ZOOM. To register and purchase your Study materials (cost \$45) on Eventbrite, visit the St. Gertrude’s website and follow the links on the home page. If you prefer to pay by cash or cheque, please pick up a registration form at the entrances of the Church. For more information, contact Beth Cook at bethcook905@outlook.com, or 905-925-9871.

WINTER HAS ARRIVED

Please be generous to our maintenance collection as we strive to keep the parking lot and sidewalks clear for everyone’s safety.



PARISH CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Please complete the following and place in an envelope marked FLOWERS to donate to our Christmas Altar flowers. Thank you for your generosity.

Name _____

Address _____

Envelope # _____

Amount _____

Your Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is looking for volunteers. Please contact Mike Crosby by phone or text 905-243-7643



St. Gertrude’s Society of St. Vincent de Paul extends a heartfelt thank you to all who donated gift cards, groceries, time, labor and money to make the Christmas Hamper

campaign such an outstanding success. Through your generosity many families will enjoy a happy and bountiful Christmas. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful support.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

We have recently incurred some large expenses to the Parish.

The two older furnaces in the parish hall basement finally quit working.

The cost to replace both of these amounted to \$27,400.00

A new telephone system and office door security system was installed \$3,000.00

We were able to access the remaining \$24,000.00 the Archdiocese held in our Family of Faith Account to help cover some of the costs of these expenses.

Approval for the use of the funds was given by our regional Bishop Nguyen as it followed the potential use category in our Mission Statement.

We have paid off all loans to the Archdiocese.

Please continue to donate in the gold colored monthly envelope in your box of parish envelopes (you will notice it has been renamed to RENOVATION PROJECTS beginning 2023) to help us save for future large repairs to the parish property. It is very important we plan ahead for these expenses. Thanks for your continued support.

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