

# 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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### PARISH OFFICE:

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Parish Email: [stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org](mailto: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:

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Sir Albert Love School 905-728-3971

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### FEEDER SCHOOLS:

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**ST. GERTRUDE OUR PATRONESS**

MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Priest's intentions  
 5:00pm + Marielle & Don Shields,  
 Gordon Shields & Lauren Buckley

**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

9am For Our Parish Community  
 11am + Mary Serge  
 + Charlie Polidano  
 6:15pm Special intentions (anonymous)

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am

**Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

8:00am

**Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

12:10pm

**Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Priest's intentions  
 5:00pm + Joao Dias & Ana Soares

**Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**

9am For Our Parish Community  
 11am For Our Parish Community  
 6:15pm For Our Parish Community



**TRUE DEVOTION  
 WORKSHOPS FOR  
 Consecration to the Immaculate  
 Heart of Mary**

This is based on St. Louis Marie de Montfort's True Devotion and is being conducted by Mr. & Mrs. David Campbell of the Heralds of the Gospel.

It will run on Saturday mornings: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> (no class during Holy Week April 8<sup>th</sup>). Extra Saturday (May 6<sup>th</sup>) in case of weather cancellation in the prior weeks.

Duration of Class: (after 9am Mass) 2hrs in length  
 It will end with a Consecration Mass on Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> – Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima. Donations will be accepted. Members of other parishes are most welcome to join this workshop.

**To All Parishioners:** I wish to announce that Fr. John Boos, who visits us now and then, has had published his fourth book, called BASEMENT PRIEST TWO, following on his third, BASEMENT PRIEST. These books concern Catholics particularly, dealing with various challenging subjects. The books, in paperback (\$15) or hard-copy (\$20), can be found at Amazon.com. Fr. John has a few in hand, and can be contacted at 905-492-4474 if you wish to see and procure one. Thank you for your interest, and may God bless you.

**WINDOW AND LEAF DEDICATIONS**

We currently still have a few windows available for purchase. We are offering these at 10% off during the months of January, February and March.  
 Large \$4,500.00, Small \$1,500.00  
 Leaves will cost \$450.00  
 We are also offering the leaves on our Tree of Life for the same 10% off during this period.  
 This is a great time to order and would make a wonderful gift for someone this time of year.  
 Please email the parish office for more information.  
 All proceeds will now be directed to payment of the new furnaces and future large expenses of the church.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS NEXT  
 SUNDAY AT THE 11:00AM MASS**

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**



Thank you to those who have volunteered to assist with our Confirmation program 'Chosen'. Students are reminded that attendance at Sunday mass is essential and they must remember to get their passport stamped.



Our preparation classes for the second part of our parish program will run on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Please keep our students in your prayers as they prepare for this sacrament.



### **Marriage Sunday 2023**

A special archdiocesan Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, February 12, 2023 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 2:30

p.m. with His Excellency, Bishop Vincent Nguyen.

*The Archdiocese of Toronto's Celebration of Marriage Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, February 12 has reached full capacity and registration is now closed to attend the Mass in person.*

*All are welcome to connect to the Mass via Livestream at <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m.*

Ash  
Wednesday 

Mass with distribution of Ashes will be celebrated at both 8:00am and 7:30pm  
Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Stations of the Cross each Lenten Friday at  
7:30pm**



### **St. Gertrude's Children's Choir**

We have started our Children's Choir again. We practice on Tuesday evenings and sing at the 11am mass on the last Sunday of each month. If you are in Grade 3 – 8, attend St.

Gertrude's and love to sing, come join us.

To receive a "Parent and Child Information Package" please contact: Brian Miettinen at 905-728-8221 [brian.miettinen@gmail.com](mailto:brian.miettinen@gmail.com) or Larry Moreino at [905-723-3641\\_lpmoreino@hotmail.com](mailto:905-723-3641_lpmoreino@hotmail.com).

### **OFFICE OF PLANNED GIVING**

If you have included your parish or favorite archdiocesan charity in your Will or estate plan, please let us know. Through the Legacy Society of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we would like to say a special thank you. All Legacy Society members are invited to the Annual Legacy Society Lunch & Mass by the Archdiocese of Toronto. They also receive: • A hand-crafted cross blessed by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins. • A personal letter from Cardinal Collins and a certificate acknowledging your intention. • Invitations to Legacy Society functions and other special events. Let your legacy be a testament of your faith! All Legacy Society members have the option of remaining anonymous. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org) or 416 934 3400 ext. 519.

**Patient Advocacy Training** Wednesday, February 8 – 7 to 9 p.m. FREE Online Training – Live on Zoom! A VIRTUAL EVENT HOSTED BY COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY CARE to gain the confidence to journey with those who are seeking support in attending medical appointments, meetings, and assistance in facilitating their health needs. Gain the skills and confidence to be an advocate in the healthcare system. Empowering you to empower others. Training will feature Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and Kathy Matusiak Costa, Director of Compassionate Community Care to address this very important issue and how to overcome it with practical volunteer solutions and advocating for those who are most vulnerable. CCC has a dynamic and one-of-a-kind program designed to overcome the issues faced by people who are at greatest risk during these times. This training is free and one day, the session is two hours. CONTACT: Compassionate Community Care PHONE: 519-439-6445 EMAIL: [info@beingwith.org](mailto:info@beingwith.org) WEBSITE: [www.beingwith.org](http://www.beingwith.org) REGISTRATION: <https://us06web.zoom.us/join/91012920000>

### **LECTOR'S NEEDED**

We are calling for new lectors for midweek and Sunday masses.

If you believe that God has blessed you with a good strong clear voice and you have been a parishioner at St. Gertrude's for more than one year, who genuinely tries to keep the commandments and attends mass each Sunday, then we encourage you to consider serving the community by applying to be a Lector. This involves completing the volunteer screening process and agreeing to take training and follow a trial period to confirm your gift. If interested, please respond by way of an email to [stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org](mailto:stgertrudesos@archtoronto.org). Thank you.

### **Knights of Columbus Mass**

The Knights are celebrating a mass at 5pm on February 25<sup>th</sup> for the Repose of the Souls of the Deceased Members and the Deceased wives of all members. Please join them.

**On Sunday, February 19, 2023**, The Knights of Columbus will host a **pancake breakfast** in the parish hall after the 9 am mass and before the 11 am mass. Get reacquainted with friends, meet new friends, and get to know the Knights of Columbus. There is no set cost but donations are most appreciated.

### **Meetings – Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>**

- **Executive** 6:45pm in the tearoom
- **General meeting:** 7:30 pm in the parish hall.

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